

FACING A NEW FUTURE

| A STUDY OF
DEUTERONOMY

Have you ever blown an opportunity? Do you feel like you're on the edge of a new one? In this series, we look at the opportunity God gave to Moses and the Israelites in Deuteronomy and how we can seize the opportunities God has given us.

Week Three: An Uncertain Future

Texts: Deuteronomy 6:10-19, 8:1-20, 9:1-6

Sermon Summary:

How do we face an uncertain future? We must be on guard against those things that can take God's place in our hearts. We must choose to remember who we are, finding our identity in God's love, purpose, and calling for us and recalling how He has already rescued us and provided for us. Then we will be able trust that God is a promise-keeper and will fulfill His plans for us and through us.

Discussion Questions: These three larger questions will drive our discussion:

1. What did the Holy Spirit say to you through Sunday's sermon and the associated passage?
2. What are you going to do about it?
3. How can others in the group help you and pray for you so you can do what God told you to do?

What did the Holy Spirit say to you through the sermon?

- What uncertainty about the current situation presses on you the most?
- What tools has God given us to help us face an uncertain future?
- Discuss our Identity in Christ. What are some things you know to true about yourself in Christ and why are they hard to remember?
- What are some things that distract you personally from fully embracing that identity?
- God is a promise-keeper. What are some promises from God you cling to in times of uncertainty?

What are you going to do about it?

- What does that mean for you, in a practical way to...
 - be on guard
 - remember who you are in Christ
 - recall what God has done for you?
- If it's true that every "yes" is a "no" to something else, what might you need to say "no" to in this season to prioritize your relationship with God more?

How can others in this group help you or pray for you?

- Pray for concerns and issue that were discussed in your meeting.
- Choose partners to check-in with during the coming week to discuss what God is saying to you and pray together.

Possible Applications:

Read Philippians 4:6-8—Fear and anxiety are normal in the face of uncertainty. When we choose to remember what God has done for us, we are practicing the discipline of Gratitude which trains our souls to trust Him with the future and experience His peace. This week, practice Gratitude with your family or a good friend by keeping a "Grateful List" and adding to it daily.

Consider the following topics to focus on:

- What God has rescued you from
- What God has done for you
- Who God says you are
- The beauty and love you see around you

Share your experience with your group next week.

MEMORY VERSE

"...for the Lord your God, who is among you, is a jealous God..."

Deuteronomy 6:15a