

# **The Motivation and Method to Living a God-Centered Life**

Source Text: Deuteronomy 10:12-11:32

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## **Series Recap:**

**Foundation for a God-centered Life:** God's Love (Deuteronomy 4:32-40)

**Practice of a God-centered Life:** Love God from the Heart to the gate post (Deuteronomy 6)

**First Characteristic of a God-centered Life:** Distinctiveness (Deuteronomy 7)

**Second Characteristic of a God-centered Life:** Dependence (Deuteronomy 8)

**Third Characteristic of a God-centered Life:** Grace (Deuteronomy 9:1-10:11)

**The Motivation and Method to Living a God-centered Life** (Deuteronomy 10:12 - 11:32)

## **Sermon Points:**

The Life God Requires (10:12 - 13)

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The Motivation to Live this Type of Life (10:14 - 22)

- 1.
- 2.

The Method to Live this Type of Life (11:1 - 32)

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

**Discussion Questions:**

1. What was the overall message of this passage of scripture and the main idea of the sermon?
2. What did you take away from the sermon that can impact you this week?
3. What does Moses mean when he says to "circumcise your heart" in 10:16? Is it fair that he says later in Deuteronomy 29:4 that God has not given them this heart? How do we understand Deuteronomy 30:6 that God will give them (and us) this heart? (You may look at Jeremiah 4:4; 9:26; 31:31-34; Ezekiel's use of circumcision of the flesh and heart in Ezekiel 44; and Paul's use in Romans 2:25-29)
4. Where would you like to be spiritually in the future? Would you like to be characterized by fear, love, service, and obedience for God? What changes do you need to make both to your motivation (your love) and your method (knowing, keeping, and listening) today to move in that direction?

**Additional Resources:**

Here is a helpful online link for Bible study. The link provided is for Deuteronomy 11. Put your cursor over the word "today" anywhere in the chapter and click on it. It will highlight everywhere it is used in the chapter and give you the Hebrew word and some information in the right column. I find this helpful for word study:

<https://www.stepbible.org/?q=version=NASB1995@reference=Deut.11&options=NHVUG>