

**How to Have Spiritual Success in Life**  
**Deuteronomy 29-30**  
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Chapters 29-30 bring us to a conclusion with the covenant narrative.

29:2-9 - Review of the Lord's past works of deliverance

29:10-15 - A call to enter into covenant

29:16-29 - A warning that the curses of the covenant will fall on those who rebel

30:1-10 - Ultimate restoration is the intention

30:11-20 - A call to the firm decision to accept the covenant

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**1. Seek to Know God Through All of Life :: 29:2-6 - Read**

God supernaturally provided for Israel, which He did for a purpose: "That you may know that I am the Lord your God."

Verse 4 - But they missed this. This spiritual understanding comes from God. He says that the Lord has not given them a heart to understand or eyes to see or ears to hear.

Why? I don't know. Deuteronomy 29:29

- God has not revealed everything to us. But what God has revealed that he did so that we would do all the words of his law. And what God has revealed is that he wants us to know him.

**Habakkuk 2:13-14** - *For the earth will be filled with the knowledge of the glory of the LORD as the waters cover the sea. For as the waters fill the sea, the earth will be filled with an awareness of the glory of the LORD.*

As we look at Paul's prayers in the NT, this is what he is constantly praying for them.

**Ephesians 3:14-19**

When we read Scripture - What is this telling me about God? God wants you to know Him. What is this telling me about myself in relation to God?

Throughout your day, as good things happen to you, are you praising God for them? As trials happen, are you turning to him?

With your children and grandchildren, are you just teaching the morality, right and wrong, or are you teaching them about God and who he is and how they can love him?

## **2. We Must Be Diligent to Grow in Our Faith :: 29:16-18**

This was a big theme at the beginning of this book that we addressed a lot.

4:7-9, 15, 23

5:1, 32

6:3, 7, 12, 17, 25

7:11

8:1, 11

11:16, 18, 22, 32

No one grows in sanctification accidentally. But countless people have drifted off into sin and done things they would never have thought possible simply by not being careful.

If we are not moving toward God, we are moving away from Him. It's as simple as that. We are never neutral. So, if we are not moving toward God, we are moving toward something else, which means it's away from God. So I have to *take care*.

## **2 Peter 3:17-18**

What work are you putting in for the Lord?

Are you disciplining yourself in Bible reading? Bible memory? Evangelism? Worship? Giving? Service?

What specific efforts are you putting in to becoming a better spouse? Or are you just living your life hoping you trip and fall into becoming a godly husband or wife?

What diligent efforts are you putting into being a godly parent? Or are you hoping the church teaches your child everything they need? Or are you just holding your breath and hoping this world doesn't corrupt them?

## **3. We Must Trust That Christ is Our Greatest Treasure :: 30:11-20**

He uses this section to call them to trust what God has said and to choose to obey the covenant.

The only reason that they would turn away from evil and choose righteousness is if they believed that God's ways really are best and that God was telling the truth.

4:1, 5-8, 40

5:16, 29, 32-33

6:2-3, 18

He tells them...choose life. I have told you the way to your best life...now its your choice if you want life or destruction. I advise you to choose life.

1 Timothy 6:17-19