Loving and Obeying God Through the Strength That He Supplies April 17, 2024 Deuteronomy 7

Be Devoted to God Alone :: vv. 1-5, 25-26

vv. 1-5 - Completely destroy the people of the land. Do not make a covenant with them. Do not marry them. Destroy them and their items of worship?

Why? V. 4 - Because they will turn away your sons from following me, to serve other gods.

vv. 25-26 - Do not covet the plunder of your enemies.

God's victory for you should make you long for and desire him, not the world.

- 1 Timothy 6:5-6, 9-10
- Luke 6:21, 25

We Show Love to God By Keeping His Commands :: vv. 6-11

We are devoted to God because of His love for us.

Story of Hosea.

Verse 11 - Therefore...in light of what God has done for you ... you must obey Him.

1 John 5:3

God Will Bless Those Who Trust Him and Obey Him :: vv. 12-16

This does not necessarily mean earthly blessings and worldly things.

- 2 Corinthians 6:6-8
- Psalm 124:1-5

God Will Strengthen You to Love and Obey Him :: vv. 17-24

Our strength comes not from ourselves but from him.

Colossians 1:29 2 Peter 1:3 2 Timothy 3:16-17 Philippians 1:6 2 Corinthians 3:18