

What does the Lord your God ask of you?

Embedded in a document that's more than 3,000 years old, written in another language and culture originally, are words from God that are as contemporary as the morning newspaper (okay, the *electronic media*)! The amazing aspect is that it will STILL apply to EVERYONE after everyone reading it today is dead and forgotten. Please read with reverence the Word of God...

“And now, Israel, what does the LORD your God require of you, but to fear the LORD your God, to walk in all His ways and to love Him, to serve the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul, and to keep the commandments of the LORD and His statutes which I command you today for your good?” Deuteronomy 10:12-13

It's impossible to become a Christian from just the book of Deuteronomy alone: our covenant is the New Testament (read the book of Acts). The principles of acceptance of man by God have not essentially changed since the beginning of time. God has never left man on his own to do as he pleases: God has always provided specific requirements. Undergirding the specific requirements is the unchangeable principle “FOR YOUR OWN GOOD.”

The healthiest thing a man can have in his personality is FEAR THE LORD YOUR GOD! Far from being unhealthy, destructive, or neurotic is REVERENCE. Respect, honor, and love for God as our Lord are the most beneficial characteristics for those who seek to be godly (Matthew 10:28).

What is better than to WALK IN ALL HIS WAYS? This means “in every way on every day” our lives reflect the righteousness, purity, and love of God. To express gratitude, forgiveness, and compassion is to WALK with God (Micah 6:8; Ephesians 4:1-2).

and
**WHAT
DOES THE
Lord**
require of you?

Love God. What is more beautiful in this life than a relationship with the ruler of the universe? He loves you. That should joyously produce love from you (John 3:16; Romans 5:8).

To act
JUSTLY
and

The highest exercise of the human spirit is to WORSHIP GOD. Serve the Lord with your heart, mind, and soul. Bow down in utter adoration.

To love
MERCY
and

Give glory and praise to Almighty God. Doing so is an unequalled and unparalleled responsibility and privilege of every human being (John 4:24).

To walk
HUMBLY
with your

The greatest need in our life is the serious and solemn observation of all the Lords commands and decrees. What is better for the soul than to “exercise great care over” the commands of the Lord? The frequent, loving, careful study of God's Word demands the very best in us—and He blesses as none else can (Ezra 7:10; Acts 17:11).

God
MICAH 6:8

How simple? Yes, how very simple! And yet, so very profound for us. What a

joyous revelation given by God to boldly inform us that it's **ALL FOR OUR OWN GOOD!**



Bday/Anniv Lunch: ...yes, as soon as we can! Pray for one another!
— *THANK YOU* for reading