

SERMON SUMMARY

Date: January 28, 2007	11:00 am Worship Service
Preacher: Rev. Donald Lawrence	Reference: Deuteronomy 6:1-19
Topic: People After God's Own Heart...Securing for Posterity	

If the question was posed, “what kind of action are we putting in motion by the way we live our lives,” one can only imagine what the answer would be. This section of Deuteronomy records the instruction of the Lord to the Israelites as they were about to occupy the promise land. They were being urged to understand, as the people of God, the purpose, path, pitfalls and persistence that was set before them.

In verses 1-3, we see Moses speaking of Words for your Profit, which:

- ✦ Were directed by God (verse 1)
- ✦ Developed fear of God in the Generations (verse 2a)
- ✦ Delighted the Generation with many years (verse 2c)
- ✦ Delivered Gains of The Covenant (verse 3)

This is a call to Guard Our Calling. We need to understand the grace we were given because we have a great blessing.

Verses 4-9 speak of Words for your Priority,

- ✦ In Viewing God
 - (4) unique
 - (5)unreserved devotion to Him
 - (6)In the View of Yourself
- ✦ In the View of your Children (verse 7a)
- ✦ In the View of your Community (verses 7b-9)

This is a call to Guard Our Charter. This demands of us to understand the guide given because we have a great book.

Moses speaks of Words for your Pride in verses 10-12. He reminds in these verses that we should:

- ✦ Remember Who will Bring You
- ✦ Remember Who will Bless You
- ✦ Remember Who not to Block Out

This is a call to Guard Our Character. We need to understand the guise possible because the fact is that we could suffer from a great blindness.

Verses 13-19 speak of Words for your Progress, which is seen:

- ✦ In Relationship with God
 - (13) fear Him
 - (14) forsake other gods
 - (15) flee His fiery wrath
- ✦ In Reasoning with God
 - (16) no testing
 - (17) be true to the Word
- ✦ In Resources Given by God
 - (18a) Seek to Honor Him ...so that
 - (18b) See Overflow from Him
 - (19) See Overthrow by Him

This is a call to Guard Our Commitment, because we need to understand the God we serve. The fact is that we have a great boss.

We must examine the consequences of our action if we have any hope of leaving a meaningful heritage. Let us therefore lay ourselves bare before Him who is able to judge the thoughts and intentions of our hearts and yield to His counsel.