

**"That You May Live"**  
**Deuteronomy 4: 1 - 14**  
**July 11, 2010**

• **God Has Told Us What Is Necessary To Live In Abundance, (vs. 1 - 14)**

○ God Says, Hiding My Word In Your Heart Doesn't Mean Hiding It From Your Children, (vs. 9)

- Hiding God's word in your heart is an intentional practice, (vs. 9a)

✚ Intentionality is a divinely appointed gift of grace from God, (vs. 9a.1); "My son, be attentive to my words; incline your ear to my sayings. Let them not escape from your sight; keep them within your heart. For they are life to those who find them, and healing to all their flesh. Keep your heart with all vigilance, for from it flow the springs of life." (Proverbs 4:20-23)

❖ *"And even if our gospel is **VEILED**, it is **VEILED** only to those who are **PERISHING**. In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. For what we proclaim is not ourselves, but Jesus Christ as Lord, with ourselves as your servants for Jesus' sake. For God, who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ." (2 Corinthians 4:3-6)*

✚ Intentionality is a divinely appointed responsibility of man, (vs. 9a.2); "Therefore **WATCH** yourselves very carefully. Since you SAW no form on the day that the Lord SPOKE to you at Horeb out of the midst of the fire, beware lest you ACT corruptly by MAKING a carved image for yourselves..." (Deuteronomy 4:15-16)

❖ *"The Father judges no one, but has GIVEN all judgment to the Son, that all may honor the Son, just as they honor the Father. Whoever does not HONOR the Son does not honor the Father who SENT him. Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever HEARS my word and BELIEVES him who SENT me has eternal life. He does not come into judgment, but has PASSED from death to life. "Truly, truly, I say to you, an hour is coming, and is now here, when the dead will hear the voice of the Son of God, and those who HEAR will live." (John 5:22-25)*

- Hiding God's word in your heart "Keeps" the Lord at the forefront of your mind, (vs. 9b)

✚ "Forefront" means simply not to overlook, (vs. 9b.1); "My son, do not lose sight of these— keep sound wisdom and discretion," (Proverbs 3:21)

❖ *"Therefore we must pay much closer attention to what we have **HEARD**, lest we drift away from it. For since the message **DECLARED** by angels proved to be reliable, and every transgression or disobedience received a just retribution," (Hebrews 2:1-2)*

✚ "Forefront" means to hold in high regard - based on experience, (vs. 9b.2); "I have stored up your word in my heart, that I might not sin against you. Blessed are you, O Lord; teach me your statutes! With my lips I declare all the rules of your mouth. In the way of your testimonies I delight as much as in all riches. I will meditate on your precepts and fix my eyes on your ways. I will delight in your statutes; I will not forget your word." (Psalm 119:11-16)

❖ *"... The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own authority, but the Father who dwells in me does his works." (John 14:10)*

❖ *"Judas (not Iscariot) said to him, "Lord, how is it that you will manifest yourself to us, and not to the world?" Jesus answered him, "If anyone loves me, he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our home with him." (John 14:22-23)*

- Hiding God's word in your heart will "Preserve" you in a life that pleases God, (vs. 9c)

✚ "Lest," God's word unhidden shows that you have "turned aside" from God, (vs. 9c.1); "... We have one Father— even God." Jesus said to them, "If God were your Father, you would love me, for I came from God and I am here. I came not of my own accord, but he sent me. Why do you not understand what I say? It is because you cannot bear to hear my word.

*You are of your father the devil, and your will is to do your father's desires. He was a murderer from the beginning, and has nothing to do with the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he lies, he speaks out of his own character, for he is a liar and the father of lies.*

*But because I tell the truth, you do not believe me. Which one of you convicts me of sin? If I tell the truth, why do you not believe me? Whoever is of God hears the words of God. The reason why you do not hear them is that you are not of God.'" (John 8:41-47)*

✚ "All the days," God's word hidden shows you what God requires of you, (vs. 9c.2); "Become (Impv.) Waking Ones (Pres.Act.Part) - **WAKE UP**, and **STRENGTHEN** what remains and is about to die, for I have not found your works **COMPLETE** in the sight of my God. **REMEMBER**, then, what you received and heard. **KEEP** it, and **REPENT**. If you will not wake up, I will come like a thief, and you will not know at what hour I will come against you." (Rev3:2-3)

- Hiding God's word in your heart will be passed on to your children & grandchildren, (vs. 9d); *"The secret things belong to the Lord our God, but the things that are revealed belong to us and to our children forever, that we may do all the words of this law." (Deuteronomy 29:29)*

✚ *"Fathers, do not provoke your children to anger, but bring them up in the discipline and instruction of the Lord." (Ephesians 6:4)*

- God Says, Fearing My Word Is The Basis Of Lasting Wisdom, (vs. 10)
- God Says, Remembering My Word Comes With Real Power Can't Be Overlooked, (vs. 11)
- God Says, Believing My Word Is Dependent On Who I Am & Not What You Experience, (vs. 12)
- God Says, Communicating My Word Is Straight Forward & Understandable, (vs. 13)
- God Says, Following My Word Has To Be Part Of Who You Are, (vs. 14)