

Choose Life

Series: *The First Five*
– Deuteronomy 4:1-9 –

1. The Theme of Generosity

2. The Theme of Celebration

Application Questions. . .

1. What part of the text or message had the greatest impact on you? Where were you most encouraged, intrigued, or challenged?
2. It took Israel 40 years to make an 11-day trip (Deut. 1:1-3). Why? It's been said that God is more interested in our character than our comfort. Do you agree or disagree?
3. Looking back over your own walk with the Lord, have you grown more through prosperity or adversity? (Ps. 119:17; Prov. 30:8-9; Deut. 8:10ff)
4. Re-read Deut. 4:1-2. In what ways might we run the risk today of *adding* or *subtracting* from the Word of God? Can you think of any specific, contemporary examples?
5. What role does God's Word play in your every-day life? What small steps could you take to be more open to God's Word?
6. Compare Deut. 15:7-11 with II Cor. 8:7; 9:7. What would you say is the hardest thing about obeying the guidelines presented in these passages?
7. How does a heart of celebration (Deut. 16; 14:24-26) change our perspective when circumstances are not going well?

