



Check In Connect with God honestly about where you are at



Reflect "Review until" something pops to talk to God about



Talk with God & others about what is now on your heart to do

Deuteronomy

Session 20 - The Decision to Choose Life with God

Check In

God is glad to connect with you. He wants to hear about how you are doing. Take a moment to notice your primary emotion of the day as a way to help yourself be fully present. Consider whether you are primarily sad, angry, scared, happy, tender, etc. Share with God that emotion. Write out: What are you thankful for? Ask him, "How does he feel about you?

Reflect

Spend some time with the biblical texts and the resources below. Do so until something in particular pops out to you, you do not need to get through everything. Talk with God about what encourages, challenges, or confuses you.

Read Deuteronomy 30:11-20

Moses begins to close his third address with a final exhortation about the reality of their decision to choose life or death. He clearly states, anticipating potential complaints that God's revelation is too hard or difficult to understand, the direct reality is more about their choice to trust God. Will they trust he has given them what they need, or decide whether there is more they want to know in order to navigate and thrive in life. The people are without excuse, and must confront their own heart's decision to choose life with God, or death by searching for more. If they choose life with God, they must devote themselves to God's word as the guide to life they truly need. The heavens and earth are called to be the two witnesses to their decision, in other words, it will be clear to all of God's creation (visible and invisible) what they choose by their actions.

Relationship - What stands out to you about being in relationship with God and our stewardship as his covenant people? **Revelation** - What do you notice about the reality of God's world and ways?

Character - What do you learn about God as holy, and how, as his covenant people, we are invited to be like him?

Read the commentary, Treaty of the Great King on the "Radical Decision"

Share

Be quiet for 3 minutes. What do you sense God is saying to you? How will you pursue being faithful with that this week? The community is blessed when we share out of our life experience, gifting, time with God, and reflection on scripture. We believe everyone contributes to teaching. What insight, question, or experience do you want to share with us?

Steps for Church Families of Prayerful Love:

- What are you thankful for? What challenges are happening in your life, family and community?
- What did you like/not like about the Scripture?
- What did you learn about God and people from the Scripture?
- What do you sense God inviting you to live out with him this week?
- Who do you know who needs to hear this?
- Ask God: How can I bless (body, labor, emotions, social, spiritual) those people who need this?