



SERMON GUIDE

**GOD'S WORD IS CLEAR**

Deuteronomy 30:11-14 | Pastor Tim Prince

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The Conversation Guide is a great tool for individuals, families, discipleship groups and Missional Communities to take a deeper, more personal dive into the content of the current sermon series. The Conversation Guide will be posted by every Friday on the 'live' page of our website and in our weekly newsletter. We encourage you to use it this week on your own, around your dinner tables, over coffee with your friends or in your faith groups!

The Conversation Guide is built on the SOAP model, which is a tool you can use when reading the Bible. SOAP helps you be intentional about paying attention to:

- S**cripture that stands out to you while you read
- O**bservations you are making about a passage
- A**pplications that connect the verses to your real life and relationships
- P**rayers that invite God to participate in all that you do

**Conversation Questions**

**Getting to Know Me:** Imagine that you find yourself in an elevator with your favorite celebrity. You have three minutes before you get off. What would you do? Would you talk to them? What would you say?

**Note About the Passage:** Deuteronomy 30:11-14 is the final plea of Moses at the end of a long review of Israel's covenant with God (chapters 1-30). This week's passage is similar to Jesus telling his disciples to obey all that he commanded them (Mt. 28:20).

**Read** Deuteronomy 30:11-14

**S:** What verses, phrases, words, or feelings stand out to you as you read this text? Is anything "illuminated," surprising, or jumping off the page and affecting your spirit?

**O:** What is the commandment that Moses is giving to the people of Israel? (read v 9-10)

**O:** What kinds of objections to God's word does Moses seem to be anticipating as he writes this? What is his answer?

**O:** It can be difficult to believe that God would use human language to reveal himself to people. What do these verses say about that?

**O:** Take a moment to scan the rest of chapter 30. What is God's goal in speaking to us in scripture?

**A:** If God had written this passage just for you, what words, phrases or ideas would he have underlined specifically for you? What did you need to hear most? Why?

**A:** What objections to the Bible being God's actual word do you have? What do you do with these verses in light of that?

**A:** Reading the Bible can be an intimidating and confusing experience for many of us, but it is the Word of God and was given to us to make a relationship with God possible. Who could you talk with this week to help you take the next step in learning to read the Bible?

**P:** Talk to God about your application responses above. Ask him to speak to you, help you, forgive you, and provide direction that you need.