

# Fit in 50

Reaching the  
World for Christ

Stepping Up To The Challenge



## CORE VALUE

### REACHING THE WORLD

We are committed to sharing the Good News of Jesus Christ with people in our neighborhood and around the world

## Stepping Up To the Challenge [Deuteronomy 4:1-14]

- A. Listen Up [4:1-2]
- B. Choose Life - Obedience [4:1b, 3-4]
- C. Represent well - International Impact [4:5-8]
- D. Watch Your Life [4:9-14]  
[*nepesh* - desire, passion, appetite, emotion]
  - 1] Exercise great care over [*hiš-šā-mer*] your soul
  - 2] Pay careful attention [*ū-šā-mōr*] to the obligations of the covenant

Why #1: So you don't forget what you have seen  
[God's Faithfulness]

Why #2: Influence/Teach your children  
- Start Here - Giving of the Covenant [History]  
- God's Expectations - Obedience → Blessing

## Discussion Questions

1. What did God desire of the Israelites? What does He desire of you? [Abide]
2. Read Deuteronomy 9:7. How does this verse ring true for us today? [Abide]
3. Why is it important to study the Old Testament—including its laws and commandments? How does learning about these laws give us a deeper appreciation for God's grace? [Abide]
4. Make a list of all the children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren connected to you. What is your prayer for these generations? What steps are you taking to prepare these generations to be disciples of Christ? [LCSB]
5. Pray that God will give you a passion to pray for and influence every generation for His glory.

**Deuteronomy 4:1-14** And now, O Israel, listen to the statutes and the rules that I [Moses] am teaching you, and do them, that you may live, and go in and take possession of the land that the Lord, the God of your fathers, is giving you. <sup>2</sup>You shall not add to the word that I command you, nor take from it, that you may keep the commandments of the Lord your God that I command you.

<sup>3</sup>Your eyes have seen what the Lord did at Baal-peor [Canaanite Baal - Israle worshipped idols there], for the Lord your God destroyed from among you all the men who followed the Baal of Peor. [outcome of disobedience - death] <sup>4</sup>But you who held fast to the Lord your God are all alive today. [outcome of obedience - life]

<sup>5</sup>See, I [Moses] have taught you statutes and rules, as the Lord my God commanded me, that you should do them in the land that you are entering to take possession of it. <sup>6</sup>Keep them and do them, for that will be your wisdom and your understanding in the sight of the peoples, who, when they hear all these statutes, will say, 'Surely this great nation is a wise and understanding people.'<sup>7</sup> For what great nation is there that has a god so near to it as the Lord our God is to us, whenever we call upon him? [intimate presence] <sup>8</sup>And what great nation is there, that has statutes and rules so righteous as all this law that I set before you today? [true justice]

<sup>9</sup>Only take care, and keep your soul diligently, lest you forget the things that your eyes have seen, and lest they depart from your heart all the days of your life. Make them known to your children and your children's children — <sup>10</sup>how on the day that you stood before the Lord your God at Horeb, the Lord said to me, 'Gather the people to me, that I may let them hear my words, so that they may learn to fear me all the days that they live on the earth, and that they may teach their children so.'<sup>11</sup> And you came near and stood at the foot of the mountain, while the mountain burned with fire to the heart of heaven, wrapped in darkness, cloud, and gloom. <sup>12</sup>Then the Lord spoke to you out of the midst of the fire. You heard the sound of words, but saw no form; there was only a voice. <sup>13</sup>And he declared to you his covenant, which he commanded you to perform, that is, the Ten Commandments, and he wrote them on two tablets of stone. <sup>14</sup>And the Lord commanded me at that time to teach you statutes and rules, that you might do them in the land that you are going over to possess.

**I Peter 2:9-10** . . . you are a chosen race [from all nations], a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. <sup>10</sup>Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.