The Strong Appeal of the Covenant: The Call to Love and Obey the LORD Deuteronomy 30:11–16

The appeal of the covenant: The call to love and obey the LORD

- a. The call to obey is not unreasonable nor impossible
- 1) The commandment is not in some inaccessible place
- Not up in heaven still unrevealed and hidden in God's heart
- Not beyond the sea in a foreign land
- 2) The Word is near, has been revealed to you: So you can obey it
- b. The call is to make a decision
- 1) Between life and death
- 2) Between good and evil
- c. The call is spelled out
- 1) To love the LORD
- 2) To walk in His ways
- 3) To obey His commandments and laws
- d. The results of heeding the call are positive
- 1) Will live and multiply
- 2) Will be blessed

- 11 Now what I am commanding you today is not too difficult for you or beyond your reach.
- 12 It is not up in heaven, so that you have to ask, "Who will ascend into heaven to get it and proclaim it to us so we may obey it?"
- 13 Nor is it beyond the sea, so that you have to ask, "Who will cross the sea to get it and proclaim it to us so we may obey it?"
- 14 No, the word is very near you; it is in your mouth and in your heart so you may obey it.
- 15 See, I set before you today life and prosperity, death and destruction.
- 16 For I command you today
 to love the LORD your God,
 to walk in obedience to him,
 and to keep his commands, decrees and laws;
 then you will live and increase,
 and the LORD your God will bless you
 in the land you are entering to possess.