Starting a new series – for your good | Pool restrictions now vs 1980's...fun and dangerous Biblical commands like pool rules...limiting our fun, but they are keeping us safe Most satisfied you'll be in this world is following biblical commands...most miserable w/o

Every hardship in this world is caused by sin: Self-sin – Sins of others – Sins of a fallen world

- Don't we all want to be satisfied in life? **Satisfaction comes from limiting sins influence**We're going to be in Deuteronomy 6 for four weeks and I want you caught up in the story
- 40 years after the exodus from Egypt...10 plagues Parting of the Red Sea Wandering
- They are in the Moab Plains on the East side of the Jordan river across from Canaan
- Second generation of Israelites...children who have grown up in the wilderness...died
- Deut. 6 = Ultimate covenant renewal document Enter promise land Don't forget

**6** "Now this is the commandment—the statutes and the rules—that the Lord your God commanded me to teach you, that you may do them in the land to which you are going over, to possess

it, <sup>2</sup> that you may fear the Lord your God, you and your son and your son's son, by keeping all his statutes and his commandments, which I command you, all the days of your life, and that your days may be long. <sup>3</sup> Hear therefore, O Israel, and be careful to do them, that it may go well with you, and that you may multiply greatly, as the Lord, the God of your fathers, has promised you, in a land flowing with milk and honey. <sup>4</sup> "Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one. <sup>5</sup> You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might.

Title of sermon is: For your good...commit – There many different levels of commitment
How I'm committed to my wife and how I'm committed to Tom Hanks | Watch vs Whatever
Moses reminding second generation Israelites and us we need to be 100% in 100% of time
Big Idea - Devotion to God brings blessing from God | Obedience brings blessing

You and I are committing to a lifestyle that has been adhered to for thousands of years

- 1. Commit to Gods way and we will: Seal our inheritance (1-3) | Supernaturally connect
- 6 "Now this is the commandment—the statutes and the rules —that the Lord your God commanded me to teach you, that you may do them in the land to which you are going over, to possess it, When you commit to God's will...God's way you are showing who you are aligned with Commandments matter when you assess the source | Pizza Hut told me to take out trash

God's word is meant to be obeyed not just heard...Hear a command all day...kids

- Teach that you may do Obedience begins with teaching and learning | How know?
- God's commands prepare us for where He's taking us Land which you will possess
- What kept the Israelites out of the promise land? Unbelief and disobedience

Unbelief and disobedience keeps you from attaining what the Lord has for you

You cannot prosper in the promise land with an Egypt mindset

You cannot prosper in the Promise Land with an Earthly mindset | Jesus changed mindset

<sup>2</sup> that you may fear the Lord your God, you and your son and your son's son, by keeping all his statutes and his commandments, which I command you, all the days of your life, and that your days may be long. – Do you see the legacy of faith being identified here? The seal of inheritance

- Obedience flows from reverence, not fear of punishment Gun to your head
- Obedience passes faith on generation to generation
- Obedience leads to a full and lasting life

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- God's commands are for your good It may go well with you
- God's Promises are faithful and abundant A land flowing with milk and honey
  Your life is a field and you want crops to grow...what do you fertilize and water with?

## Takeaway: Lock In – Learn the Word – Live it Out – Look Around

- Lock in Pay attention to what God has commanded Rifle Scope
- Learn the word Teach and be taught the word of God Teacher & student whole life
- Live it out You cannot just know it...express it Favorite people who live what know
- Look around Capture the blessings from obedience Photograph reel that plays
   Do you want it to go well? Commands are not chains...but keys to blessings
- 2. Commit to Gods way and we will: Signal our Loyalty (4)

4 "Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one. | Shema = Hear, listen, obey

- There are many gods, many voices, and many things competing for our loyalty
- This verse is like noise canceling headphones so you can only hear one thing Yahweh We believe God stands as one perfect being in three distinct persons | Differences in unity
- Father Originator and source = Son is eternally begotten Spirt eternally proceeds
- Son Mediator and revealer = Savior and redeemer All thing through and for Him
- **Spirit** Enabler and sanctifier = Main role is to apply the work of Christ to believers We are monotheistic in our theology We believe in one God in three persons
- When our God speaks...we respond because we are loyal to His word
- Listening requires us to cancel out competing voices Room full of people...sit & listen
   Remember when radios had knobs instead of buttons...fly past...God is calling us to dial in
   Takeaway: Limit your Beliefs

You cannot believe anything and get to heaven...matter of fact...believe one thing

- Sometimes Christians are considered narrow minded...to that I say, 'YES'
- One God One life, one wife, one ministry Marriage = One man and One woman
- Sex is people that are one flesh One salvation One baptism One will come again
  I'm as narrow minded as they come because my beliefs are defined by one Book
  Through the Book For the Spirit By the people who are spiritually mature New Pencil
  Commit to Gods say and we will: Seal our inheritance Signal our loyalty and finally...

3. Commit to God's way and we will: Spur our Worship (5)

<sup>5</sup>You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might. We are called to love God with every part of our being—fully, sincerely, and wholeheartedly When we worship we are confessing our love to God through reverence and respect

- The object of love = God you cannot just say 'I Love' incomplete...we love the Lord
- We love God for who He is not what He does...it is personal...and it's deserving
- The source of love = Heart...Not just emptions, but thoughts, desires, will, motives
- Have you ever heard 'I follow my heart' That's fine if your heart follows the Lord
- The depth of our love = Soul...whole life and whole self | Do you love God w/ Soul
- Strength of love = Might...Energy Power Resources -Effort
- o Physical Financial Time and Abilities Influence = All being used for God's glory
- Loving God is active not passive It gets into your schedule costs something

The love of God moves your hands and feet...moves your time and bank account
Christianity is considered a race – Do you finish a marathon on accident...without costing
Takeaway: Love the Lord

## Here's what I want you to do...live your life by the three 'All's'

All Heart – All Soul – All Might...if you live by the three all's everything will be alright We are no different than the second-generation Israelites...we need reminded

It's for your good to reestablish your commitment to God's will God's way

**Devotion to God brings blessing from God**