

## **Deuteronomy—At a Crossroads**

### **Chapters 9-10: Remember Who We Are**

Wrapping up the first section of his sermon to the new generation of Israelites, who are about to at last enter the promised land, Moses reminds the nation who they are: stubborn, rebellious, and undeserving, yet loved, chosen, and cherished nation. He exhorts them to never forget this fact, as they are about to enter the promised land. He reminds us today to keep in view who we are without him: stubborn and rebellious. He also reminds us that with Him we are loved and chosen. This reminder will keep our hearts in the right posture of humility, gratefulness, joy, and confidence in God's love for us as His children.

#### **Discussion**

Review the following key verses from yesterday's passage:

Deuteronomy 9:7, 24

Deuteronomy 10:15

Then read its explicit correlation to us in the church today:

Ephesians 2:3-5

Have a few people share their "testimony" of rebelliousness toward God and his mercy toward them. How did you come to realize God's love and mercy and forgiveness? How did that change your life?

How can we make it a habit to "remember and never forget" who we were (and still can be sometimes) in our flesh, and who we are now in Christ?

#### **Prayer**

Pray for these things:

1. Pray that we would marvel at God's grace in kindness toward us, and commit ourselves to "fear him, walk in his ways, love him, and serve him with all our heart and all our soul." (Deut 10:12)
2. In line with our theme of "Renewal" for the ministry year, let's pray for renewed hearts: a renewed expectation and faith that God will work, strengthen, and encourage us all in our homes, in our daily devotional time, in Life Group, on Sundays, in our neighborhoods, in campus outreach, and more.
3. Break into smaller groups, if needed, and pray for one burden and give thanks for one joy....from each person. Be brief so that everyone can pray and be prayed for.