



SCRIPTURE MEMORY CHALLENGE

Deuteronomy 30:16

“If you obey the commandments of the Lord your God that I command you today, by loving the Lord your God, by walking in his ways, and by keeping his commandments and his statutes and his rules, then you shall live and multiply, and the Lord your God will bless you in the land that you are entering to take possession of it.”

Study

1. Use biblegateway.com to look up different translations of this verse. The ESV says “If you obey the commands...by loving the Lord...” whereas the NIV starts “For I command you today to love the Lord your God...”. Is there a difference between obedience and love? (See Matthew 22:37, 1 John 5:2-3, John 14:21 to get started)
2. Go through the verse and underline all the action words that are your responsibility. Circle the consequences that follow. Use blueletterbible.com to look up the definitions of each word you marked.
3. Old Testament promises like this one have New Testament applications for believers today (see <https://www.desiringgod.org/interviews/which-old-testament-promises-apply-to-me> for more info) How does this promise play out in your daily life?
5. The Hebrew word for “bless”, *barak* (H1288), means “to bend the knee; to kneel”. How does this image change or enhance your understanding of this verse?