

**God rewards Obedience**  
**Deut 11:13-15**  
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Thesis: I want to show how God rewards those who obey Him.

- Intro:
1. Is it not true that God blesses those who love and obey Him?
  2. Sometimes we need to remember that one of the blessings of being obedient to God is having part of the rewards He has promised the faithful.
  3. These here in Deuteronomy knew first had of the rewards of being a faithful servant of God.
- I. Some have forgotten God's past rewards for obedience (**Deut 11:1-2,7-8**)
- A. The children of Israel saw first hand the reward and protection God gave to the faithful.
    1. Those who worshipped God experience His love (**Ex 20:4-6**).
    2. The O.T. faithful saw and experienced the reward of obedience.
  - B. If they would again obey and remain obedient they again would be blessed (**Deut 11:10-14**).
    1. He would bless them with a land much different than the land of Egypt (**v.10**).
    2. God would give them blessings (**v.13-15**).
- II. The reward of obedience is easily seen throughout the Bible (**Ps 5:12**).
- A. This wasn't the first time God promises to bless the obedient (**Lev 26:3-5**).
    1. Obedience has always carried a reward.
    2. Those who desire the reward(eternal life) should strive to insure they are obedient (**2 Cor 13:5**).
  - B. Obedience carries with it godly fear (**Ps 112:1-3**).
    1. Obedience with godly fear moves us to obey God and to be pleasing in His sight (**James 1:25**).
    2. We should fear God because of His power, wrath, wisdom, the ability to gain eternal life through His Son and because of the judgment to come (**2 Cor 5:11a**).
- III. God's blessing are above those of this world.
- A. God blesses the faithful with salvation and life everlasting (**Jn 10:10**).
    1. The faithful, those who are deemed obedient will gain eternal life (**Rom 2:6-7,10**).
    2. The rewards of God are beyond what the world could possible give.
  - B. The world doesn't bless mankind for his lifestyle of sin but instead demands more from him.
    1. Zophar's speech on the wicked man is a accurate observation (**Job 20:4-29 [v.18,20]**).
    2. The world says it requires everything from us and in return promises us things it cannot give. The greatest lie the world ever told man-is that a sinful world could give true happiness and satisfaction to anyone. (i.e. – look at Hollywood-Lindsay Lohan, Mel Gibson, etc).

- C. The disobedient have no part in the blessings and rewards from God (**Isa 1:16-20**).
1. God shows no partiality to anyone, all have the same chance at eternal life.
  2. All have the chance to fail to obtain eternal life (**Rom 2:6-9**).

- Conc:
1. Are the rewards and blessings from God enough for you to be obedient?
  2. What would it take for you to be obedient to God and His commands?
  3. Full Invitation