

“Today I have given you the choice between life and death, between blessings and curses. Now I call on heaven and earth to witness the choice you make. Oh, that you would choose life, so that you and your descendants might live! You can make this choice by loving the Lord your God, obeying him, and committing yourself firmly to him. This is the key to your life. And if you love and obey the Lord, you will live long in the land the Lord swore to give your ancestors Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob.” (Deut.30:19-20)

The covenant that GOD made with Israel offered a new lease on LIFE; it wouldn't be life in the garden of Eden; it would be on the move, as it were. But it would be LIFE with GOD, by God's grace. Like Israel, we often struggle to fully embody the notion that "one does not live by bread alone, but BY EVERY WORD that comes from the mouth of the LORD (Deut.8:3). Many of us, myself included, have an up and down experience of trusting God, listening to his voice and obeying in faith. No matter how you feel today, God is always faithful even though we are unfaithful. His covenantal promises are TRUE and unshakeable. Furthermore, our GOD is ROCK and salvation. We can trust in his loving character - through the cross of Jesus Christ, God demonstrated his love for us.

PRAY - Ephesians 2:4-5: LORD I thank you that you are RICH in MERCY, because of your great passionate love with which you passionately love us, even when we were dead in our sins. Thank you that you have made us ALIVE TOGETHER with CHRIST for it is by grace I have been saved and delivered.

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