

5-Day Devotional: *God Our Solid Foundation*

Theme Verse (Shema): *Deuteronomy 6:4–5*

“Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one!
You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your strength.”

Monday – Remembering Our Journey

Read: Deuteronomy 1:29–33, Deuteronomy 8:2–5

Focus: *God has been faithful all along.*

Reflection:

Moses begins Deuteronomy by recounting Israel’s past — their wanderings, rebellions, and God's steadfast care. Before giving fresh instructions, God reminds them: “I carried you, as a man carries his son.” This shows us that **memory is a spiritual discipline**. Forgetfulness leads to fear. Remembrance fuels trust.

Questions:

- What are the "wilderness places" in your past where God carried you?
- Have you written down your personal history of God's faithfulness?

Prayer:

Lord, remind me of the times You carried me. Help me build my faith on memory, not just feelings.

Tuesday – God’s Law Is Love

Read: Deuteronomy 5:1–33

Focus: *Obedience is a response to relationship.*

Reflection:

God’s commands weren’t given to enslave Israel, but to shape them into a holy people who reflected His character. The Ten Commandments are covenantal — **love expressed through loyalty**. Holiness starts with knowing God and honoring Him as the source of life and blessing.

Questions:

- Do you see God’s commands as burdens or blessings?
- Where is God asking you to realign in obedience?

Prayer:

Father, thank You for giving boundaries that lead to life. Help me delight in Your ways and trust Your wisdom.

Wednesday – One God, One Heart

Read: Deuteronomy 6:4–6; Matthew 22:36–40

Focus: *God desires our undivided devotion.*

Reflection: The Shema is not only Israel’s confession — it’s **our daily declaration** as believers. “The Lord is one.” He alone is worthy of our worship. God isn’t asking for a slice of our heart, but the whole. Love in Scripture is not just a feeling, but a daily choice to **treasure, obey, and honor** God above all.

Questions:

- Are there areas of your life where God is not first?
- How can you practically “love God with all your strength” today?

Prayer: Lord, You alone are worthy. Unite my divided heart and teach me to love You with every thought, word, and action.

Thursday – Passing It On

Read: Deuteronomy 6:7–9; Psalm 78:1–7

Focus: *Faith must be passed on intentionally.*

Reflection: God’s people were told to **teach their children** diligently. Faith was not meant to stay private, but to be planted across generations. Our homes, habits, and daily routines should be soaked in Scripture and lived examples of truth. *What we repeat, we become.* What we model, they remember.

Questions:

- How are you actively passing on your faith to the next generation?
- What do your home, words, or habits teach others about God?

Prayer: Lord, let my life be a living testimony to Your truth. Help me to speak and show faith in a way that lasts beyond me.

Friday – Built to Stand

Read: Deuteronomy 9:1–6; Matthew 7:24–27

Focus: *Our foundation is not our righteousness — it’s God’s.*

Reflection: God reminds Israel: “*Not because of your righteousness...*” He didn’t choose them because they were good — He chose them because He is good. Our security is not in our strength, but in God’s unchanging love. When we build on that truth, we can withstand any storm.

Questions:

- Have you been tempted to rely on your own efforts instead of grace?
- What does it mean to build your life on the “rock” this week?

Prayer:

Jesus, You are my solid foundation. Teach me to build on You — not my performance, but Your promise.