

The Message

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Where Do You Live?

Deuteronomy 4:1

“And now, O Israel, listen to the statutes and the rules that I am teaching you, and do them, that you may live and go in and take possession of the land that the LORD, the God of your fathers, is giving you.”



It takes land to live.

When Abraham got to Canaan, God said, “all the land which you see I give to you and your descendants forever” (Genesis 13:15).



Heirs of God

“if you are Christ’s, then you are Abraham’s seed, and heirs according to the promise”
(Galatians 3:29).



- I. Where Is the Promised Land?
- II. How Do We Get There?
- III. How Do We Keep It?



I. Where Is the Promised Land?

“For you have not come to the mountain that may be touched ... But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem...”
(Hebrews 12:18,22).



II. How Do We Get There? How Do We Possess the Land?

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A. In Order to Possess the Land We Get There by Faith

Caleb said, “Now therefore, give me this mountain of which the LORD spoke in that day” (Joshua 14:12).

“We are well able” (Numbers 13:30).



B. To Possess the Land We Have to Drive Out the Enemies

“Little by little I will drive them out before you, until you have increased enough to take possession of the land” (Exodus 23:30).



C. To Possess the Land We Must Use the Means of Grace

- Read and study the word daily.
- Have a quiet time with God daily.
- Attend church and commune with the saints weekly.
- Witness to others.



III. How Do We Keep It?

Don't Get Bored

Don't Forget How We Got It



Boredom

“Our soul loathes this worthless bread”
(Numbers 21:5).



Wanderlust



No Adding

You shall **not add** to the word that I command you, nor take from it, that you may keep the commandments of the LORD your God that I command you (Deuteronomy 4:2).



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