

## Scripture Reading

Deuteronomy 6:4–7 (NIV)

<sup>4</sup>Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one. <sup>5</sup>Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength. <sup>6</sup>These commandments that I give you today are to be on your hearts.

1) Shema – Hear and do

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2) A New heart

Deuteronomy 30:1–10 (NIV)

<sup>1</sup>When all these blessings and curses I have set before you come on you and you take them to heart wherever the Lord your God disperses you among the nations, <sup>2</sup>and when you and your children return to the Lord your God and obey him with all your heart and with all your soul according to everything I command you today, <sup>3</sup>then the Lord your God will restore your fortunes and have compassion on you and gather you again from all the nations where he scattered you. <sup>4</sup>Even if you have been banished to the most distant land under the heavens, from there the Lord your God will gather you and bring you back. <sup>5</sup>He will bring you to the land that belonged to your ancestors, and you will take possession of it. He will make you more prosperous and numerous than your ancestors. <sup>6</sup>The Lord your God will circumcise your hearts and the hearts of your descendants, so that you may love him with all your heart and with all your soul, and live. <sup>7</sup>The Lord your God will put all these curses on your enemies who hate and persecute you. <sup>8</sup>You will again obey the Lord and follow all his commands I am giving you today. <sup>9</sup>Then the Lord your God will make you most prosperous in all the work of your hands and in the fruit of your womb, the young of your livestock and the crops of your land. The Lord will again delight in you and make you prosperous, just as he delighted in your ancestors, <sup>10</sup>if you obey the Lord your God and keep his commands and decrees that are written in this Book of the Law and turn to the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul.

3. Has your heart been circumcised?

Deuteronomy 30:6 (NIV)

<sup>6</sup>The Lord your God will circumcise your hearts and the hearts of your descendants, so that you may love him with all your heart and with all your soul, and live.

Ezekiel 36:26–27 (NIV)

<sup>26</sup>I will give you a new heart and put a new spirit in you; I will remove from you your heart of stone and give you a heart of flesh. <sup>27</sup>And I will put my Spirit in you and move you to follow my decrees and be careful to keep my laws.

Jeremiah 24:7 (NIV)

<sup>7</sup>I will give them a heart to know me, that I am the Lord. They will be my people, and I will be their God, for they will return to me with all their heart.

Jeremiah 31:33 (NIV)

<sup>33</sup>“This is the covenant I will make with the people of Israel after that time,” declares the Lord. “I will put my law in their minds and write it on their hearts. I will be their God, and they will be my people.

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