

Deut. 10:12-19

### 1. GOD CALLING HIS PEOPLE TO LOVE HIM

"And now, Israel, what does the Lord your God require of you, but

- **to fear** the Lord your God
- **to walk in all his ways**
- **to love him**
- **to serve** the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul
- **to keep** the commandments and statutes of the Lord  
- which I am commanding you today for your good?

### 2. GOD'S SPECIAL LOVE FOR HIS CHOSEN PEOPLE

Behold, to the Lord your God belong heaven & the heaven of heavens, the earth with all that is in it.

Yet the Lord set his heart in love on your fathers

and chose their offspring after them, you above all peoples, as you are this day.

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Circumcise therefore the foreskin of your heart, and be no longer stubborn.

For the Lord your God is God of gods and Lord of lords, the great, the mighty, and the awesome God, who is not partial and takes no bribe.

- He executes justice for the fatherless and the widow, and loves the sojourner, giving him food and clothing.
  - Love the sojourner, therefore, for you were sojourners in the land of Egypt.
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### Three Stories that are one:

#### 1. The Story of the Israelites

- Sojourners who are shown mercy to become God's special possession and treasured people.
- He gave these sojourners his law and called them the walk in his ways

#### 2. The Story of Jesus (Philippians 2)

- Jesus came to be a poor sojourner to satisfy God's requirement and empower his people to walk in his ways

#### 3. The Story of the Church

- Christians are ex-sojourners saved from their sin (fatherless and widows) making them children of God and citizens of heaven.
- While in this world we are to walk in the ways of God – not partial, executes justice for the fatherless, the widow and the sojourner.
- Loving the sojourner, in remembrance that you too were a sojourner saved by God.
- THIS IS THE GOSPEL LIFE