

“Encouragement for the Journey”



What does God Require

- Deut 10:12
- Mic 6:8
- ✓ To do Justly
- ✓ To love Mercy
- ✓ To walk humbly with your God

Message

Our everyday lives are filled with many requirements. To enrol at school, a child needs a birth certificate. If you drive a car, you require a driver's license. However, we are living in unusual times right now and we're finding ourselves being subjected to new and additional rules and regulations almost daily as the COVID 19 Pandemic spreads across our Nation and the world. All of us in Australia are becoming very aware of vital new requirements, such as personal distance spacing rules of 1.5 metres, to enable us as a society to best minimise the effect of the looming threat of the virus as it presents itself on our shores.

But God's Holy Scriptures remind us that He has requirements for us to follow too, things that are important for us to follow in our relationship with him, our God and our Creator. One such Scripture is Deuteronomy 10:12. However God's requirements for us are not of protocols, like licenses, certificates and passports - *they are of the heart.*

*“And now, O Israel, what does the Lord your God ask 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,
and to observe the Lord’s commands and decrees that I am giving you today
for your own good?”*

(Deuteronomy 10:12)

What God our Heavenly Father asks of us here is our reverence, together with a desire to please Him, love Him, serve Him and obey Him.

Further on in the Old Testament, the prophet Micah also gives a concise and beautiful answer to this question. Micah says,

*“He has showed you, O man, what is good.
And what does the Lord require of you?
To act justly and to love mercy
and to walk humbly with your God.” (Micah 6:8)*

May God in His Grace, enable us to love, serve and obey Him with joy.

Amen.

With kind thoughts,
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