Unit 5: Deuteronomy: The Law Reviewed

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Week 1: Israel refuses to Enter the Land

Objective:

- Events are now happening after the 40 years in the wilderness
- Appointing leaders to each tribe
- Moses tells the story of Israel's refusal to enter the land and the punishment of the Lord to them
- Moses is forbidden to enter the land
- Review the commandments in chapter 4 and give practical applications

Resources:

- Fr Tadros Y Malaty Commentary
- Catena Bible Commentary

Reading:

- Deuteronomy 1
- Deuteronomy 2 and 3:1-21: skip but briefly remind the youth about its events (covered in the previous couple of weeks)
- Deuteronomy 3: 23-end
- Deuteronomy 4

Key verse(s):

- “Now, O Israel, listen to the statutes and the judgments which I teach you to observe, that you may live" Deuteronomy 4:1

Comments:

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Review/recap questions:
***Servant may add more questions*

1. Who was the only person from the evil generation permitted to enter the Promised Land and why?
2. List the judgment responsibilities given to the judges by Moses

3. What does the word “Deuteronomy” means?
4. “The Lord your God carried you as a man carried his son.” Explain giving proof
5. The Lord had given the descendants of Esau (Edomites) and Lot (Moabites and Ammonites) their land.
6. What were the Israelites to do when they passed through these territories?
7. Why did God ask the Israelites not to meddle with the descendants of Esau?
8. Why did God harden the heart of Sihon, King of Heshbon?
9. Does Moses ask to be allowed to cross the Jordan River and enter the Promised Land? What does he say?
10. Moses pleaded to see “the good land beyond the Jordan.” What was the Lord’s response?
11. Moses was sent to the top of Mount Pisgah to look “west and north and south and east” and view the Promise Land.
12. Where is something similar in the Old Testament?
13. What does Moses’ prayer reveal about his relationship with God?
14. Name happenings that the Israelites were shown that they might know the LORD IS GOD.
15. Obedience was commanded. “Do not add to or subtract from” the given commands. This was very
    specific. Why?
16. What two reasons does Moses give for the necessity of God’s law to the new nation?
17. What verse tells us of Moses total and uncompromising belief in ONE God?

Homework:

***Servant may add more questions*

1. Who would lead the Israelites into the Land of Canaan?
   a) Joshua b) Moses c) Caleb d) Aaron
   2. _____ was not permitted to cross the Jordan River and enter into the Promised Land.
2. What territory did the Lord give to Esau’s descendants?
   a) Hormah b) Seir c) Kadesh Barnea d) Valley of Eshcol
   2. The Israelites conquered Sihon, King of Heshbon and all his army. Who was completely destroyed in all
   the towns?
   a) all menb) all women c) all children d) all of these
3. The Israelite army marched against Og, King of Bashan at the Battle of Edrei. Who survived?
   a) unmarried girls b) small children c) women and children d) no survivors
   2. What plunder was carried away from the battles?
   a) gold b) silver c) bronze d) livestock
4. Keeping the Lord’s commandments meant to the Israelites:
   a) Adding to them b) subtracting from them c) following them exactly d) nothing
   2. We are near to God when we _____.

Week 2: The Law Reviewed

Objective:

- Review of the commandments
- The importance of keeping the Lord's commandments
- Good's children are different than all people

Resources:

- Fr Tadros Y Malaty Commentary
- Catena Bible Commentary

Reading:

- Deuteronomy 5
- Deuteronomy 6
- Deuteronomy 7
- Deuteronomy 8
- Deuteronomy 9: skip (A review of the rebellion of the Israelites)

Key verse(s):

- "Therefore know that the Lord your God, He *is* God, the faithful God who keeps covenant and mercy for a thousand :generations with those who love Him and keep His commandments;" Deuteronomy 7:9

Comments:

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Review/recap questions:
***Servant may add more questions*

1. Whom does this chapter state that the Lord actually made the Covenant with?
2. Which of the Ten Commandments comes with a promise fulfilled on earth?
3. State the phrase that was often used from the Holy Books Exodus through Deuteronomy to describe the “Promised Land.”
4. What is meant by, “Fearing the Lord”?
5. List the rewards of obeying God.

6. The Lord’s command against intermarriage was not racially motivated but was intended to prevent
   what?
7. The Lord Jesus Christ quoted the passage “man does not live by bread alone” in response to what?
8. Describe the rich and fertile land the Israelites were to possess.
9. How were the Israelites “humbled” by the Lord?
10. Explain “Man does not live on bread alone.”

Homework:

****Servant may add more questions***

1. We learn in the Holy Book of Deuteronomy that the Lord made His covenant not with the fathers of the
   Israelites but with whom?
2. What was at the heart of Israel’s relationship with God? (HINT: It told the Israelites what God expected in terms of conduct, faith, and worship)
3. How were the children of Israel to show FEAR to the Lord? a) worshipping idols b) keeping His decrees c) stealing d) giving false witness
4. Love the Lord your God with all your _____, all your _____, and all your _____.
5. You should love the Lord your God with _____, with _____ and with _____.
6. State the consequences of “following other gods” for the Israelites.
7. Why did the Lord set His affection upon the Nation of Israel? a) great numbers of people b) they didn’t disobey c) He loved them d) they were poor slaves
8. The carved images were to be destroyed by: a) fire b) burial c) breaking into pieces d) tossing into the sea
9. Name the seven nations the Israelite Nation drove out of the Promised Land.
10. Describe what the Israelites were to do with the carved images?
11. God fed the Israelites a food they and their fathers before them had not known. It was: a) bread b) manna c) quail d) fish from the oceans
12. When the Israelites had eaten and were satisfied, what were they to do? a) sleep b) exercise c) praise the Lord d) offer sacrifices
13. How did the Lord discipline Israel during the forty years desert wanderings?
14. Describe the “good land.”

Week 3: Blessings and Curses

Objective:

- Moses' final sermon
  After a long review of all the law, we are approaching the end of the book
- Discuss the contrast between the blessing of obedience and the curse of disobedience
- The covenant at Moab

Resources:

- Fr Tadros Y Malaty Commentary
- Catena Bible Commentary

Reading:

- Deuteronomy 27
- Deuteronomy 28
- Deuteronomy 29

Key verse(s):

- ""“Keep all the commandments which I command you today." Deuteronomy 27:1

Comments:

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Review/recap questions:
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1. How was the altar on Mount Ebal to be constructed?
2. Which curses referred to which of the Ten Commandments?
3. List six things that would be BLESSED if the Israelites were obedient to God.
4. “An eagle swooping down” may be symbolic of what?
5. . Briefly list the 12 curses the Levites recited to the people of Israel.
6. What does it mean to be cursed and what did the “Amen” represent?
7. What are “All the diseases of Egypt” and what were they a reminder of?
8. In what sense would the sky be bronze and the ground iron?
9. If an Israelite invokes a blessing but persisted in going his own way, what disaster would await him?

10. What is the theme for this chapter 29?
11. “Root...bearing bitterness or wormwood,” Explain
12. What are the secret things and the things that are revealed?



Homework:

***Servant may add more questions*

1. *Cursed is the man who makes the _____ to wander off the road.*
2. *Cursed is the man who perverts the justice from the _____, _____, or the _____.*
3. *Give an example of the good things the Lord would give an obedient Israelite.*
   a) children b) increase in livestock c) increase in crops d) all of these
4. *If the Israelites do NOT obey the Lord and carefully follow His commands, what would come upon*
   them? a) curses b) blessings c) Moses wrath d) fire and brimstone
5. *AMEN after the curses meant the people agreed and accepted the Covenant and its curses. In verses 15*
   through 26, how many “amen” are there?
6. *What were the names of the two mounts where the blessing and the curse took place?*
7. *The blessings for obedience are the opposites of the curses for disobedience. Write one blessing for*
   obedience.
8. *How is “Heaven” described in verse 12?*
9. *During the 40 years of desert wanderings the Israelites' clothes and sandals did not wear out. True or*
   false?
10. *What did the Israelites not eat or drink during their desert journey?*
    a) bread b) wine c) fermented drink d) all of these
11. *Name two things that would happen to an Israelite who follow his heart and go his own way?*
12. *The “secret things” belonged to whom?*

Week 4: A New Leader for Israel

Objective:

- Moses' final words
- Moses encourages the people to return to God and choose Him
- Joshua is the new the new leader of Israel
- Moses dies on the mountain

Resources:

- Fr Tadros Y Malaty Commentary
- Catena Bible Commentary

Reading:

- Deuteronomy 30
- Deuteronomy 31
- Deuteronomy 32: Skip
- Deuteronomy 33: Skip
- Deuteronomy 34

Key verse(s):

- "I call heaven and earth as witnesses today against you, *that* I have set before you life and death, blessing and cursing; therefore choose life" Deuteronomy 30:19

Comments:

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Review/recap questions:
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1. Write verses proving that God's main concern is our love for Him?
2. "Who will ascend into heaven for us and bring it to us?" What is God talking about and where could it
   be found?
3. Write the command Moses gave to Joshua, son of Nun.
4. For whom, when and why was the law read in public?
5. Explain... "The Lord is your life."

6. Moses offer to the Israelites was very simply what was it?
7. Why was Moses no longer “able to lead” Israel? Was this because he was 120 years old?
8. Was Israel’s rebellion predicted? Give evidences and explain why God allows bad things to happen
9. If Moses knew he would die on Mount Nebo, why did he climb the mountain?
10. Who buried Moses? What valley is he buried in? Where is his grave?
11. Was Moses the greatest prophet ever? Why? Give proof.
12. Name those who had been described as “servants of God” in the OT



Homework:

**Servant may add more questions*

1. *God's commands and decrees were written in what BOOK?*
   a) Book of Law b) Book of Covenant Renewal c) Book of Blessings/Curses
2. *The word is very near you, in your _____ and in your _____ that you may do it.*
3. *Who succeeded Moses after his death?*
   a) Nun b) David c) Joshua d) Eleazar
4. *How old was Moses when God no longer allowed him to lead Israel?*
   a) 120 b) 150 c) 175 d) 50
5. *“See I set before you _____, and _____, death and _____.*
6. *The WORD was very near to the Israelites. Where was it located?*
7. *When Moses and Joshua presented themselves in the tabernacle, how did the Lord appear to them?*
8. *What was to be placed BESIDE the Ark of the Covenant?*
9. *Where was the location of Moses death?*
   a) Moab b) Gilead c) Zoar d) Jericho
10. *Where did God bury Moses? a) Moab b) Valley opposite of Beth Peor*
    c) the grave has never been found d) all of these
11. *Describe Moses physical condition upon his death.*
12. *How was Joshua “filled with Spirit of Wisdom?”*