

# Deuteronomy

## Farewell Messages To A New Generation



“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, that both you and your descendants may live” (Deut. 30:19)

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(The above outline is from *Nelson's Complete Book of Bible Maps and Charts*, pp. 59–61)

# **PART ONE: MOSES' FIRST SERMON: "WHAT GOD HAS DONE FOR ISRAEL" (1:1—4:43)**

## **I. THE PREAMBLE OF THE COVENANT (1:1–5)**

## **II. THE REVIEW OF GOD'S ACTS FOR ISRAEL (1:6—4:43)**

### **A. From Mount Sinai to Kadesh (1:6–18)**

1. Describe the boundaries of the promised land.
2. What form of government was set up?

### **B. At Kadesh (1:19–46)**

1. What happened at Kadesh Barnea?
2. What complaint did the people have at this time?
3. What was the penalty for their sin?

### **C. From Kadesh to Moab (2:1–23)**

1. Who lived in Mount Seir? Who gave them that place?

2. What were they told about the Moabites?

#### **D. Conquest of East Jordan (2:24—3:22)**

1. Who was Sihon? What happened to him? Why?
2. What did Israel take from the kingdom of Og?
3. What was given to the half tribe of Manasseh?

#### **E. Transition of Leadership (3:23–29)**

1. Why was Moses not allowed to enter the promised land?
2. Who was to take the place of Moses?

#### **F. Summary of the Covenant (4:1–43)**

1. How does Moses describe the day that God gave the Law?
2. What warning was given in Deut. 4:15–24?

3. What was the stated consequence of violating this law?

4. What cities on the east side of the Jordan were set aside? Why?

## **PART TWO: MOSES' SECOND SERMON: "WHAT GOD EXPECTS OF ISRAEL" (4:44—26:19)**

### **I. THE INTRODUCTION TO THE LAW OF GOD (4:44–49)**

### **II. THE EXPOSITION OF THE DECALOGUE (5:1—11:32)**

#### **A. The Covenant of the Great King (5:1–33)**

1. Where in Exodus do we read of the giving of the Law?

2. What request did the people make when they heard the voice of God?

#### **B. The Command to Teach the Law (6:1–25)**

1. What was the "greatest" commandment? Why?

2. What warning is given here?

3. What questions would children ask their parents?

### **C. The Command to Conquer Canaan (7:1–26)**

1. What nations were to be cast out of Canaan? Why?

2. How was Israel to treat these seven nations?

3. Why did God “set His love” on Israel?

4. What are the blessings of obedience?

### **D. The Command to Remember the Lord (8:1–20)**

1. According to this passage, why did God allow the people to hunger?

2. What danger would present itself when the people were full?

### **E. The Commands About Self-Righteousness (9:1—10:11)**

1. According to Deut. 9:4–5, why were the seven nations disposed of the land?

2. What does Moses remind the people of in Deut. 9:14?

3. Why was Moses afraid in Deut. 9:19?

4. What was done with the two tables of stone?

### **F. The Commands Regarding Blessings and Cursings (10:12—11:32)**

1. What does “the Lord your God require of you”?

2. What distinction, if any, is there between God’s statutes, judgments and commandments?

3. What was the difference between the land of Egypt and the promised land?

4. How were the Israelites to impart God’s word to their children?

## **III. THE EXPOSITION OF THE ADDITIONAL LAWS (12:1—26:19)**

### **A. The Exposition of the Ceremonial Laws (12:1—16:17)**

1. How were they to treat the inhabitants of the land of Canaan?

2. What was the law concerning the eating of meat?
  
3. What test was given to determine a false prophet?
  
4. What was to be done to the one who followed other gods?
  
5. What sin was involved in cutting your hair “for the dead”?
  
6. Explain the laws concerning the tithe.
  
7. How were they to treat the poor in the land?
  
8. What was the law concerning firstborn animals?
  
9. Review the ordinances related to the keeping of the Passover, the Feast of Weeks, and the Feast of Tabernacles.

## **B. The Exposition of the Civil Laws (16:18—20:20)**

1. What laws were given to insure proper judicial judgment in the land?



2. How was the death penalty to be administered?
3. What regulations were given concerning kings and their conduct?
4. What financial compensation did the priests receive? Why?
5. What “abominations” of the land were they to avoid?
6. Describe the prophet who was to come after Moses.
7. What were the laws concerning the cities of refuge?
8. What were the laws concerning witnesses in criminal trials?
9. What laws were given concerning how they were to wage war?

### **C. The Exposition of the Social Laws (21:1—26:19)**

1. What regulations were given for cases of an unsolved murder?

2. What laws were given concerning females captured in time of war?
3. What was to be done with a rebellious son?
4. What is prohibited in Deut. 22:5? Is this a sin today?
5. What special laws concerning sexual morality were given?
6. What groups of people were to be excluded from the assembly?
7. What law was given concerning the charging of interest?
8. What law was given concerning divorce?
9. What law was given concerning newlyweds? Why?
10. What law was given concerning the corners of the fields?
11. What law was given concerning a man whose brother died without leaving an heir?

12. What instructions were given concerning the Amalekites?

13. What was the law concerning the firstfruits of the field?

14. In what way were the people of Israel a “special” people?

## **PART THREE: MOSES’ THIRD SERMON: “WHAT GOD WILL DO FOR ISRAEL” (27:1—34:12)**

### **I. THE RATIFICATION OF THE COVENANT IN CANAAN (27:1—28:68)**

#### **A. Erection of the Altar (27:1–8)**

1. What was the purpose of the altar that was to be built by the Jordan River?

2. What was to be written on the stones?

#### **B. Admonition to Obey the Law (27:9–10)**

#### **C. Proclamation of the Cursed (27:11–26)**

1. Who was to read the “curses” to the people?

2. How were the people to respond to the curses?

#### **D. Warnings of the Covenant (28:1–68)**

1. Give a summary of the blessings of obedience.

2. Give a summary of the curses of disobedience.

3. What was the ultimate curse of disobedience?

## **II. THE INSTITUTION OF THE PALESTINIAN COVENANT (29:1—30:20)**

### **A. The Covenant Is Based on the Power of God (29:1–9)**

1. What did Moses remind the people of?

2. What blessings did they receive in the wilderness?

### **B. Parties of the Covenant (29:10–15)**

1. What oath was made on this occasion?

2. Who were the parties of this covenant?

### **C. Warnings of the Covenant (29:16—30:10)**

1. In what way is God a jealous God?
2. What blessing was promised to the one who would return to God?

### **D. Ratification of the Palestinian Covenant (30:11–20)**

1. What choice was set before the people?
2. Who were the “witnesses” of this covenant?

## **III. THE TRANSITION OF THE COVENANT MEDIATOR (31:1—34:12)**

### **A. Moses Charges Joshua and Israel (31:1–13)**

1. What encouragement did Moses give unto Joshua?
2. What charge was given to the priests?

### **B. God Charges Israel (31:14–21)**

1. What prediction was made concerning the nation?

2. What would prompt the people to such an action?

### **C. The Book of the Law Is Deposited (31:22–30)**

1. What did Moses teach the people of Israel?
2. What was to be done with the “Book of the Law”?

### **D. The Song of Moses (32:1–47)**

1. Give a summary of the “Song of Moses.”
2. What is the “Rock” Moses keeps speaking of in this chapter?
3. What would cause God to hide His face from the people?
4. What would cause the Gentiles to rejoice?
5. What would prolong the days of the people in Canaan?

## **E. The Death of Moses (32:48—34:12)**

1. Where was Moses told to go to prepare for death?
2. Why was Moses not allowed into the promised land?
3. Describe the final blessings Moses gave to the people.
4. What was Moses able to see from the top of Pisgah?
5. Where was Moses buried?
6. How is Moses described in the final verses of this book?

# Map of the Exodus

