

## Old Testament Basics

### Deuteronomy Chapters 1-34

#### Chapters 1-11

#### Second Law-Giving

- The Book *Deuteronomy* means “\_\_\_\_\_law-giving”.<sup>1</sup>
- The Book of Deuteronomy reviews many of the laws to be followed once Israel entered the Promised Land.
- Many of these laws are contained in Exodus, Leviticus, and Numbers.
- The Lord had \_\_\_\_\_ Israel’s number and now they were ready to possess the land (1:10).
- Moses reiterates God’s promises to Israel and reminds them of their stubborn \_\_\_\_\_ (1:19-22; 29-36).
- Moses pleaded with God to let him go into the Promised Land (3:23-27).
- Deut. 4:7-9 gives us an insight into the importance of not departing from God’s law.
- Deut. 4:25-31 states a prophecy of Moses for Israel if it \_\_\_\_\_ to abide by God’s laws.<sup>2a</sup>
- This prophecy of destruction did come to pass when Assyria and Babylon captured Israel.<sup>2b</sup>
- Vs. 30 came to pass when Israel was allowed back into the Promised Land under King \_\_\_\_\_ of Persia (538 B.C.-Ezra 1:1).<sup>2c</sup>
- This verse also alludes to the final restoration of Christ’s earthly kingdom.
- Moses again stressed the importance of loving and \_\_\_\_\_ God’s commands (6:1-7).
- Deut. 6:10-12 gives a warning not to place one’s confidence in self but in God.
- Deut. 7:1-6 gives Israel a very strict warning to completely destroy \_\_\_\_\_ the nations in the land of Canaan.
- Moses stressed the importance of not \_\_\_\_\_ with the heathen and immoral people in Canaan.
- God used the 40 years of wandering to teach the Israelites God would supply all their needs (8:3).
- Jesus quoted this verse when rebuking \_\_\_\_\_ after His 40 days of fasting in the wilderness (Matthew 4:4).
- Deut. 8:4-5 reminds us God’s \_\_\_\_\_ is one of love not anger.
- God disciplines us to bring us closer to Him, not to drive us away.
- Deut. 11:13-17 shows God’s blessings upon those who obey and keep His commands.

## Chapters 12-26

### **A Review of God's Laws**

- Chapters 12-26 are a continued reiteration of God's Laws.
- God gives a stern warning in 12:2-4 to completely destroy the idols and unholy places within the Promised Land.
- God knew any \_\_\_\_\_ with heathen practices would corrupt the nation.
- Chapter 12:4-5; 29-30 states God would direct the people in establishing places of worship.
- These places were to be \_\_\_\_\_, Bethel, and Shiloh.<sup>3</sup>
- Chapter 12:23 gives us an insight into the importance of Christ's ultimate \_\_\_\_\_ sacrifice for our sins.
- All debts were to be \_\_\_\_\_ every seventh year. The people were told to give generously even prior to the seventh year because the Lord would bless them and provide for them (14:22; 15:1-6).
- Chapter 16 reviews \_\_\_\_\_ required feasts:
  - the Passover;
  - the Feast of Weeks or Passover;
  - the Feast of Booths.<sup>4</sup>
- God gave strict warnings to the people concerning the behavior of a \_\_\_\_\_.
- Although God was their ultimate king, He knew they would fall by the way of other nations and demand an \_\_\_\_\_ king.
- Compare Ch. 17:14-20 with I Kings 4:26.
- Moses gives a prophetic message concerning the coming \_\_\_\_\_ in chapter 18:15-19.
- See Luke 24:19; John 1:21; and John 6:14 for references concerning this prophecy.
- Chapter 20:1-8 gives us an important lesson for trusting God.
- Chapter 20:10-18 gives \_\_\_\_\_ conduct and conquest concerning far away nations.<sup>5</sup>
- Only the men were to be destroyed.
- However, the nations within the Promised Land were to be \_\_\_\_\_ destroyed lest the conquered people become a snare to Israel.
- God reiterated the importance of staying away from evil.

### A Review of God's blessings and curses

#### **Chapters 27-30**

- God's promises are given in chapter 28:1-2; 7.
- God's curses are given in chapter 18:15 (see Daniel 9:11).
- Chapter 28:36; 49-50 gives a \_\_\_\_\_ of the Assyrian and Babylonian captivities as well as the dispersion in AD 70.<sup>6a</sup>

- Chapter 29:4 gives a sad account of Israel's blindness concerning all God's plans (See Psalm 106:7).<sup>6b</sup>
- Chapter 30:1-9 gives a \_\_\_\_\_ of Israel's return to God during Christ's millennial reign.<sup>6c</sup>

### **Chapters 31-34**

#### **Moses' final conclusion**

- Moses was 120 years old, yet his physical \_\_\_\_\_ remained (31:1; 34:7).<sup>7</sup>
- God instructed Moses that his time to die was near and Joshua was to be commissioned in his place.
- Chapter 31:16; 20 gives us further insight into Israel's\_\_\_\_\_.
- God's commission to Joshua in 31:23 can be an inspiration to us as we have been commissioned by God to carry out His work.
- The \_\_\_\_\_ was recorded in Chapter 32 which reminded Israel of God's promise of blessings and curses.
- Moses gave Israel another final warning to obey God's laws (Chapter 32:44-47).
- Moses blessed the tribes of Israel with \_\_\_\_\_ in Chapter 33.
- Chapter 34 gives insight to Moses' death (34:5-8).
- God gives Joshua wisdom in Chapter 34:9.

#### **Conclusion**

- God understood Israel's weaknesses.
- God warned them repeatedly not to compromise with the heathen nations.
- Israel did not listen to God's warnings and eventually adopted the heathen practices.
- As a result, God sent Israel into exile.
- Not until the millennial reign will Israel fulfill its priestly mission.
- It is important for the Christian to ask for God's guidance and to obey His laws.
- God's laws are not meant to keep us in bondage but are designed for our good and prosperity.
- Pray that our ears will hear and our eyes will see God's wonderful plan for our lives.