

# Deuteronomy

## 1 – Deuteronomy 1—History From Sinai

Note when these words were spoken – and the mention of Mt. Horeb. Who is the “you” in v.9, 14, 18; and “us” in v.19, etc.? How is Moses’ message to the people timeless? Why does Moses remind this new generation of all of this history? What appropriate accusations does Moses direct to the people?

## 2 – Deuteronomy 2—Wanderings In The

The reception of history and their responsibility continues: what was their responsibility to the Edomites? Why? The Moabites? Why Ammonites? Why? How were they to “begin to conquer and possess” the Promised Land? (v.31)

## 3 – Deuteronomy 3-4—East Of Jordan

How did Israel “take 60 cities”? (v.3-4) Although the Reubenites, Gadites and ½ tribe of Manasseh were given land, what was the promise they were to fulfill? (3:18-20) Why couldn’t Moses cross the Jordan? (see 3:25-28 and review [Numbers 20](#)) How was it that this new generation “stood at Horeb” (4:10), “heard the LORD speak” (4:12-13)? See 4:14. What future warning did God also give 4:25-27? What future promise? (4:29-31) How does Moses remind the people of the great privileges they had? 4:32-34 – What was the reason for these privileges? (v.35, 40)

## 4 – Deuteronomy 5—Repeat Of The 10 Commandments

What’s the difference between decrees and laws and a covenant? Why did God give the Children of Israel the 10 Commandments? What urgent plea does God give them through Moses in v.32? Why this urgent plea? (God’s great desire for them – v.33)

## 5 – Deuteronomy 6—The Shema / Duties To Fathers

(v.4-9) The Shema (“Hear!”) is the John 3:16 of the OT – why? How do we apply these same commands to NT Christians? How are v.10-12 a good text for Thanksgiving? For a Stewardship message? Note v.20, “when you son asks you” – how can parents always be ready to give the correct answer?

## 6 – Deuteronomy 7—Drive Out The Nations!

Why was it so very necessary that God drive out all the many nations and they be totally destroyed with no treaties or intermarriage? Does this still apply to us today? Why or why not? How do these verses point us to Jesus?

## 7 – Deuteronomy 8—Do Not Forget! This Is The Traditional OT Reading For Thanksgiving

Why? How does God “humble and teach” / “discipline” us today? Why is it harder to remember God and His goodness to us in times of plenty? How do these words of warning fit America today?

## 8 – Deuteronomy 9—God’s Grace

How does “the Lord our God go ahead of us” in our lives? (v.3) What does it mean to be “stiff necked”? How are we like this? Why the reminder of the golden calf? Why do we need the reminders of our sins? Moses prayed for God’s people – who do we pray for?

## 9 – Deuteronomy 10—Review – 2nd Set Of Tablets

What was the purpose of the ark of the covenant? Where is God’s Word (commandments) “stored” in our lives? How do we “fear the LORD your God, walk in His ways, love Him and serve Him with all our hearts, soul and observe the Lord’s commands”? (v.12) What does it mean to “circumcise your hearts”? (v.16)

## 10 – Deuteronomy 11—Love And Obey The LORD

What is the value of repeating history to the next generation? (v.19-21) What is the benefit of repeating / reading Bible history? What difference would it make if we remember “the eyes of the Lord are continually on us from the beginning to the end of the year”? (v.12) Would you be frightened or comforted? How can we balance the blessings and the curses? (v.26-32)

## 11 – Deuteronomy 12—One Place For Worship

Why the one place for worship in the Promised Land? How does this apply to us today? Why the prohibition of eating blood? (v.16) How does “You must not worship the Lord your God in the ways of the nations” (v.31) apply to us today?

## 12 – Deuteronomy 13—No Other Gods!

What warning is given to those who talk about dreams or show marvelous signs? (v.3-4) Why the command to kill / completely burn those who lead others to worship other gods? What are the gods that we Americans “worship”? Does God command that we be put to death?

## 13 – Deuteronomy 14—“Holy To The LORD”

How were the people of Israel to be “holy to the Lord”? How are we to be “holy to the Lord”? What was the purpose of the tithe / the tenth of all that “your fields produce”? Does this still apply to us today? (What are our “fields”?) Note, the tithe was for not only the Levites, but the aliens, fatherless and widows - how does this apply to us today?

## 14 – Deuteronomy 15—Every 7 Years

What was the purpose of cancelling debts? Why not cancel the debts of foreigners too? Why “lend to many nations but borrow from none”? (v.6) Why were fellow Hebrew slaves to be freed on the 7th year? (What did a pierced ear mean in those days?)

## 15 – Deuteronomy 16:1-17—Feasts To Observe

What was the purpose of celebrating the Passover? The Feast of Weeks? The Feast of Tabernacles? Do we have corresponding holidays? How do our celebrations compare to what God commanded here?

## 16 – Deuteronomy 16:17–17:20—The LORD Your God Will Choose

Why were these laws necessary? Why the death sentence? Does this still apply today? What was the “supreme court” of their day? This is Moses writing about a king! What is Samuel’s reaction to Israel wanting a king many centuries later? ([1 Samuel 8](#)) Do these verses apply to our president today? Why or why not?

## 17 – Deuteronomy 18—“When You Enter The Land...”

Why were the Levites set apart from the other 11 tribes? What do these verses say about witchcraft? (Halloween is getting close!) Who (ultimately) is being promised in v. 15? (The answer is always \_\_\_\_\_) Who were some of the other “prophets like Moses” leading up to Jesus? Does this apply to pastors and teachers today? Who could they expose a false prophet? How do we recognize a false prophet?

## 18 – Deuteronomy 19—Cities Of Refuge / Witnesses

What was the purpose of these three cities? Why 3 additional cities? What differences were there set up for those accused of killing someone? Do we have these same differences today? What was the penalty for false witnesses? How does this compare to our courts today?

## 19 – Deuteronomy 20—Rules Of War

What special tactics for war did God give to them? How was this an advantage? What differences does God give in attacking cities “at a distance” and those “of the nations the Lord God is giving you”? Why the difference?

## 20 – Deuteronomy 21—Various Rules

How was bloodshed atonement for sin? Why would an Israelite marry a captive woman? How does v.15-17 compare with the story of Esau and Jacob? Why were Esau and Jacob different? What prevented juvenile delinquency in Israel? (v.18-21) How does v.22-23 point us to Jesus? (see [Galatians 3:13](#))

## 21 – Deuteronomy 22—Laws For Protection And Marriage

Why the laws of helping your neighbor? Does the laws of wearing clothes apply today? What about planting seeds, plowing and our clothes? Note the strict laws about marriage and the refusal to allow divorce even when there is no desire to remain married! What does this teach us today about marriage, divorce?

## [22 – Deuteronomy 23—Practical Laws For Holy People](#)

Why all the exclusions from “the assembly of the LORD”? Why the cleanness in the camp? (see v.14) How does this apply to our homes today? Why the law against charging interest? Does this still apply today? How does paying vows fit in with charging interest?

## [23 – Deuteronomy 24—Remarriage And Laws Of Justice](#)

What law of remarriage is given? Why? What protections does God give for those who may be unable to defend themselves? What is the purpose of these reminders? (see. v.18, 22)

## [24 – Deuteronomy 25—Duty Of Brother-In-Law And More](#)

The “levirate” marriage” v.5-10 has significance in the story of Ruth and Boaz ([Ruth 3-4](#)) as well as Judah and Tamar ([Genesis 38](#)) With the blotting out of Amalek (see [Exodus 17:8-16](#))

## [25 – Deuteronomy 26—Passover Meal History And Tithes](#)

What is the important purpose of regularly reciting the history of years past to every generation? What happens when this isn’t done? What was the purpose of setting aside a tenth of all their produce (the tithes)?

## [26 – Deuteronomy 27—Curses From Mt. Ebal](#)

How important are religious monuments? What purpose are they to serve? What happens when they are removed? Not only monuments but public announcements. What was to be the people’s response? Note, there was no opportunity for debate or argument. How is this so very different today?

## [27 – Deuteronomy 28—Blessings/Curses/Obedience/Disobedience](#)

These are some of Moses’ last words to the Israelites before entering the Promised Land - Why so much emphasis on the curses? (Note how these were literally fulfilled in the Assyrian and Babylonian captivities!) Even cannibalism (v.153-57)! Where is Jesus in all of this?

## [28 – Deuteronomy 29—Covenant Renewal](#)

What is the “additions” to the covenants made at Horeb? Why the additions? (see v.6 and v.16-21, 25-28)

## [29 – Deuteronomy 30—Choose Life!](#)

What are the Gospel promises through repentance? Note the verses that Paul quotes in his letter to the Roman Christians - [Romans 10:6-10](#). What does it mean to “choose life”? How do we continue to do this today?

## [30 – Deuteronomy 31-32—From Moses To Joshua](#)

How does Moses “pass the baton” to Joshua and get the people ready for the change? With v.6-7, 23 see also [Hebrews 13:5](#) - why these words? Why the reading of “the law” every 7 years to all the people? What does this teach us we might do today? What is the special blessings of songs? What is the purpose this song? How often did they sing it?

## [31 – Deuteronomy 33-34—Moses’ Blessings And Death](#)

What was the purpose of this blessing of the tribes before Moses’ death? What is the recurring theme for each tribe? What was unique about Moses’ life? His death?