



Simply teaching the Word simply

Verse for the weak

"He that hath my commandments, and keepeth them, he it is that loveth me: and he that loveth me shall be loved of my Father, and I will love him, and will manifest myself to him"

John 14:21

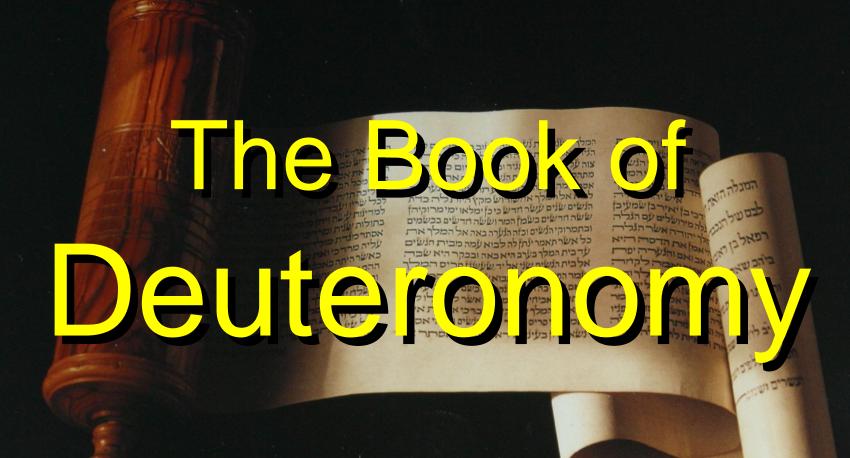


thrown, and are not: but shall so so the right that is of a perverse heart shall despised.

Deuteronomy

Chapter 1-7

From the miracle of our origin to the mystery of our destiny



The Torah The Five Books of Moses

Genesis The Book of Beginnings

Exodus The Birth of the Nation

Leviticus The Law of the Nation

Numbers The Wilderness Wanderings

Deuteronomy The Laws Reviewed

The Principle Discovery

- 1) We have in our possession an integrated message system
 - 66 separate books
 - Penned by 40 different individuals
 - Over thousands of years
- 2) Which provably has its origin from outside our time domain

For our learning...

For whatsoever things were written aforetime were written for our learning, that we through patience and comfort of the scriptures might have hope.

Romans 15:4

- Moses: 1st of Israel's prophets
 - Most quoted OT person in the NT
- Written c. 1450 B.C.
 - On plains of Moab
- Written in just one day?
 - 'This day' 68 x
- Comprises three 'sermons' by Moses
- Most quoted OT book by Jesus

- Bridge between the wilderness wanderings & life in the Land
- Records their history,
 - Past, present & future
 - Offers unchallenged proof that this is God's Word to mankind
- 230 verses of fulfilled prophecy
- 37 verses of unfulfilled prophecy

Theme:

- Remember the mistakes of the past
 - 'Don't let the lessons be wasted'
- We see Moses emphasise
 - the blessing of obedience
 - The curse of disobedience
- 'Observe to do...' 21x (3 x 7)

"Everything depends on obedience — life itself, possession of the Promised Land, victory over foes, prosperity and happiness. We find this book teaches the inflexibility of the law. 'Thou shalt' and 'Thou shalt not' occur over and over again - 'a blessing if you obey' and 'a curse if ye will not obey"

- Henrietta Mears

"Most of us don't have trouble hearing from God.

We struggle with obeying what He has said"

- Don Mclure

"I believe it is not more truth we need to know primarily...

...but 100 per cent obedience to what we already know"

- Alan Redpath

Overview of Deuteronomy

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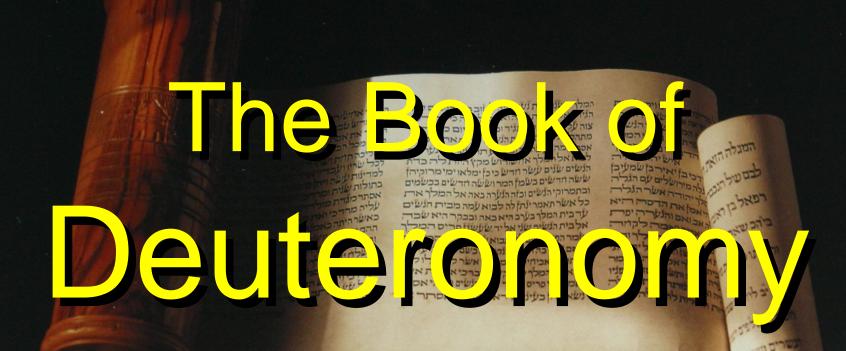
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Chapter 1

These be the words which Moses spake unto all Israel on this side Jordan in the wilderness, in the plain over against the Red sea...

- Hebrew title: 'These be the words'
- Greek & Jerome's Vulgate:
- 'Deuteronomy'
- 'Second Law'



'(There are eleven days' journey from Horeb by the way of mount Seir unto Kadesh-barnea.)

And it came to pass in the fortieth year, in the eleventh month, on the first day of the month, that Moses spake unto the children of Israel, according unto all that the LORD had given him in commandment unto them;

- Moses now begins his review of their journey to date
- Remembering the promise given to their fathers...

7 Turn you, and take your journey, ... to the land of the Canaanites, and unto Lebanon, unto the great river, the river Euphrates.

8 Behold, I have set the land before you: go in and possess the land which the LORD sware unto your fathers, Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, to give unto them and to their seed after them.

- Note the extent of the Land
- Note that God is giving it to them
- Unconditional covenant

19 And when we departed from Horeb, we went through all that great and terrible wilderness, which ye saw by the way of the mountain of the Amorites, as the LORD our God commanded us; and we came to Kadesh-barnea.

- The people then decide to send in 12 spies
- Only two are prepared to go up in faith
 - Joshua & Caleb
- The other 10 discourage the people
 - How powerful discouragement is! (Prov 29:18)

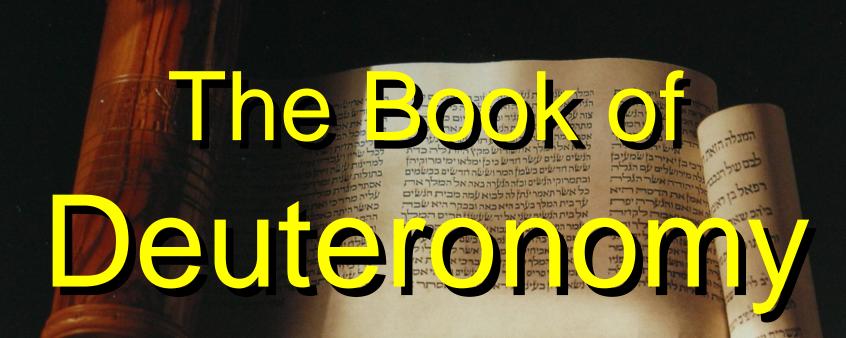
- 28 Whither shall we go up? our brethren have discouraged our heart, saying, The people is greater and taller than we; the cities are great and walled up to heaven; and moreover we have seen the sons of the Anakims there.
- ²⁹ Then I said unto you, Dread not, neither be afraid of them.
- The LORD your God which goeth before you, he shall fight for you, according to all that he did for you in Egypt before your eyes;

Simple Lesson

- Walk by faith = victory
- Walk by sight = defeat

46 So ye abode in Kadesh many days, according unto the days that ye abode there.

- How many days have we stayed in 'Kadesh' due to a lack of faith?
- How often do we give in to discouragement?



Chapter 2

- Then we turned, and took our journey into the wilderness by the way of the Red sea, as the LORD spake unto me: and we compassed mount Seir many days.
- 2 And the LORD spake unto me, saying,
- 3 Ye have compassed this mountain long enough: turn you northward.

Deuteronomy 2:1-3

 Moses skips 38 years of struggle to bring us to the conclusion of their journey 4 And command thou the people, saying, Ye are to pass through the coast of your brethren the children of Esau, which dwell in Seir; and they shall be afraid of you: take ye good heed unto yourselves therefore:

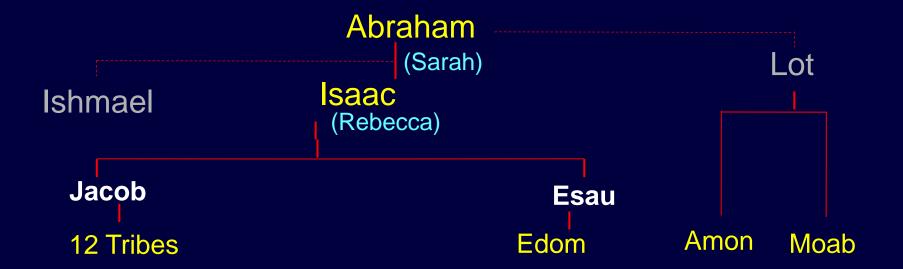
5 Meddle not with them; for I will not give you of their land, no, not so much as a foot breadth; because I have given mount Seir unto Esau for a possession.

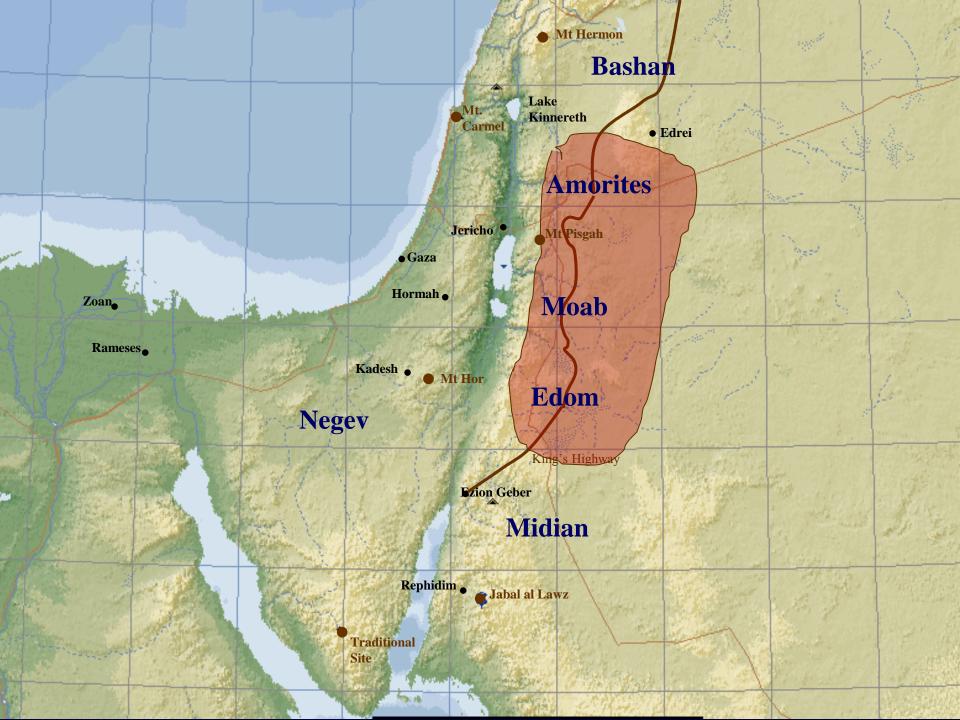
Deuteronomy 2:4-5

 But isn't their land part of that promised to Abraham? 9 And the LORD said unto me, Distress not the Moabites, neither contend with them in battle: for I will not give thee of their land for a possession; because I have given Ar unto the children of Lot for a possession.

19 And when thou comest nigh over against the children of Ammon, distress them not, nor meddle with them: for I will not give thee of the land of the children of Ammon any possession; because I have given it unto the children of Lot for a possession.

The Semitic Nations





The Promised Land



Judgment of Edom

- For thy violence against thy brother Jacob shame shall cover thee, and thou shalt be cut off for ever.
- 17 But upon mount Zion shall be deliverance, and there shall be holiness; and the house of Jacob shall possess their possessions.
- 21 ... and the kingdom shall be the LORD's.

Obadiah v10,17,21

"Don't touch them until the time of the harvest...
 Then the LORD will take care of them"

Judgment of Moab & Ammon

9 Therefore as I live, saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel, Surely Moab shall be as Sodom, and the children of Ammon as Gomorrah, even the breeding of nettles, and saltpits, and a perpetual desolation: the residue of my people shall spoil them, and the remnant of my people shall possess them.

Zephaniah 2:9

The Role of Edom, Moab & Ammon?

 So why give Edom, Moab and Ammon tenure in the Land?

The Role of Moab & Edom

- The Emims dwelt therein in times past, a people great, and many, and tall, as the Anakims;
 Which also were accounted giants, as the Anakims; but the Moabites call them Emims.
- The Horims also dwelt in Seir beforetime; but the children of Esau succeeded them, when they had destroyed them from before them, and dwelt in their stead; as Israel did unto the land of his possession, which the LORD gave unto them.

Deuteronomy 2:10-12

The Role of Ammon

- 20(That also was accounted a land of giants: giants dwelt therein in old time; and the Ammonites call them Zamzummims;
- ²¹ A people great, and many, and tall, as the Anakims; but the LORD destroyed them before them; and they succeeded them, and dwelt in their stead:
- As he did to the children of Esau, which dwelt in Seir, when he destroyed the Horims from before them; and they succeeded them, and dwelt in their stead even unto this day:

Deuteronomy 2:20-22

A Model?

- What did Edom, Moab & Ammon all have in common?
- They were all related to God's true people
- They all did 'good works' and fought the enemies of Israel
- But they also oppressed God's people!
- Yet Israel were not to 'uproot' them
- They were to be left to grow until the time of the harvest when the Lord would deal with them (cf Matt 13)

A Time of Harvest?

- In these nations that grew alongside Israel, there was a soul who wanted to serve the God of Israel.
- 'Come out from among them' cf. Rev 18:4
- In Nehemiah 13:3 the remnant of Israel separated themselves from this mixed multitude (in preparation for the coming Messiah)

²³ And the Avims which dwelt in Hazerim, even unto Azzah, the Caphtorims, which came forth out of Caphtor, destroyed them, and dwelt in their stead.)

Deuteronomy 2:23

Who are the Caphtorims?

4...for the LORD will spoil the Philistines, the remnant of the country of Caphtor.

Jeremiah 47:4

Goliath was not a Philistine!

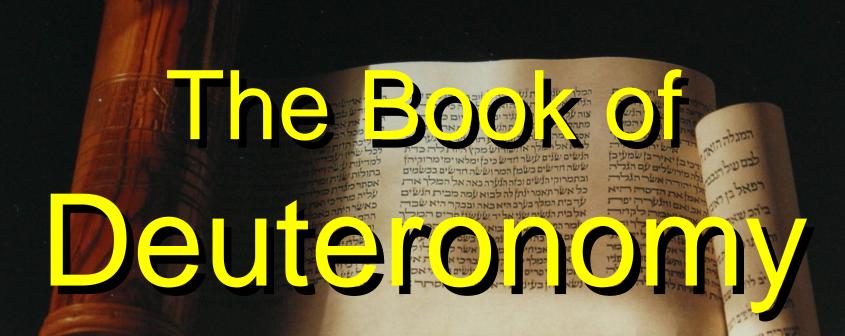
26 And I sent messengers out of the wilderness of Kedemoth unto Sihon king of Heshbon with words of peace, saying,

27 Let me pass through thy land...

³⁰ But Sihon king of Heshbon would not let us pass by him: for the LORD thy God hardened his spirit, and made his heart obstinate, that he might deliver him into thy hand

Deuteronomy 2:26,27,30

- 2nd king Israel defeated
- 1st king was Amalek Ex 17:8-13



Chapter 3

Then we turned, and went up the way to Bashan: and Og the king of Bashan came out against us, he and all his people, to battle at Edrei.

Deuteronomy 3:1

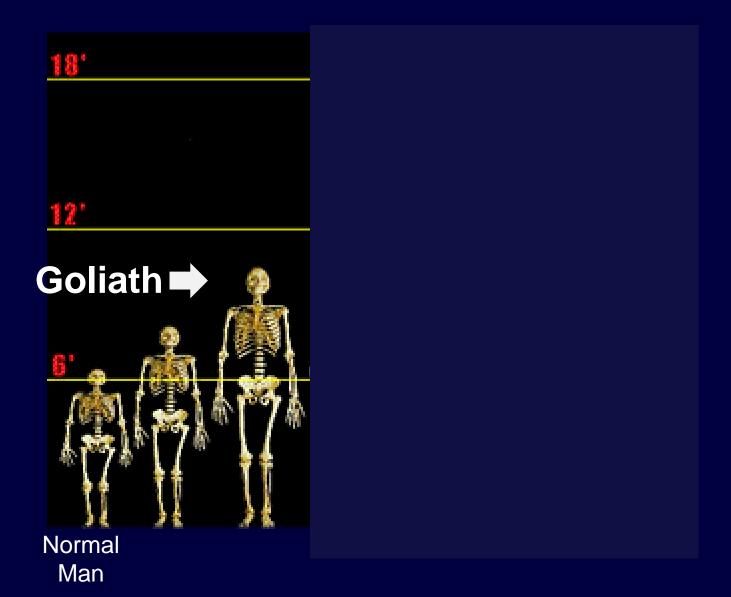
3rd king Israel defeated

For only Og king of Bashan remained of the remnant of giants; behold, his bedstead was a bedstead of iron; is it not in Rabbath of the children of Ammon? nine cubits was the length thereof, and four cubits the breadth of it, after the cubit of a man.

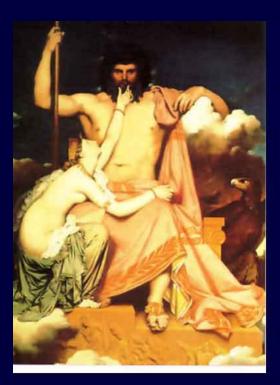
Deuteronomy 3:11

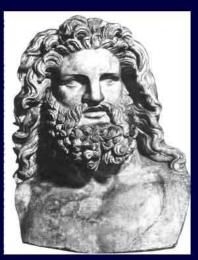
- 9 Cubits?
- 1 Cubit = 18"-21"
- 13ft 18ft
- 2x to 3x 'normal' bed length

Canaanite Giants



Mythology / Historical Confirmations









Also after that...

4 There were giants in the earth in those days; and also after that, when the sons of God came in unto the daughters of men, and they bare children to them, the same became mighty men which were of old, men of renown.

Genesis 6:4

Josephus

"Many angels of God accompanied with women, and begat sons that proved unjust, and despisers of all that was good, on account of their own strength ... these men did what resembled the acts of those whom the Grecians called giants"

Antiquities of the Jews, Book I, Ch. 3

"There was till then left the race of giants, who had bodies so large, and countenances so entirely different from other men, that they were surprising to the sight, and terrible to the hearing. The bones of these men are still shown to this day"

Antiquities of the Jews, Book V, Ch. 3

Also after that...

- Tribes of giants were in the Land in Abraham's time, 2000 BC - Gen 14:15
- Remnants of them existed as late as the times of Moses (1400 BC) and David (1000 BC)
 - Numbers 13:33;
 - Deuteronomy 2:10,11,20,21;
 - Joshua 12:4; 15:8; 17:15; 18:16;
 - II Samuel 21:16-22;
 - I Chronicles 20:4-8.

Also after that...

- The iron bedstead of Og the Ammonite (ruler of a nation of giants) was 15.4 ft long Deut 3:11,13
- Goliath (1000 BC), from a family of giants,
- more than 10 ft tall 1 Sam17:4
 - He wore a breastplate of mail weighing 5,000 shekels (126 pounds or 57 kilograms) as well as a spear, like a "weaver's beam". The spearhead, when weighed by itself, tipped the scales at 600 shekels (approx15 lbs or 7 kg)
- Beniah, a hero of David's army, slew an Egyptian giant who was 8½ feet - 1 Chron11:23

New Testament Confirmations

"In the mouth of 2 or 3 witnesses..."

- Jude 6, 7
- 1 Peter 3:19, 20
- -2 Peter 2:4, 5
 - Even the unique use of "Tartarus"

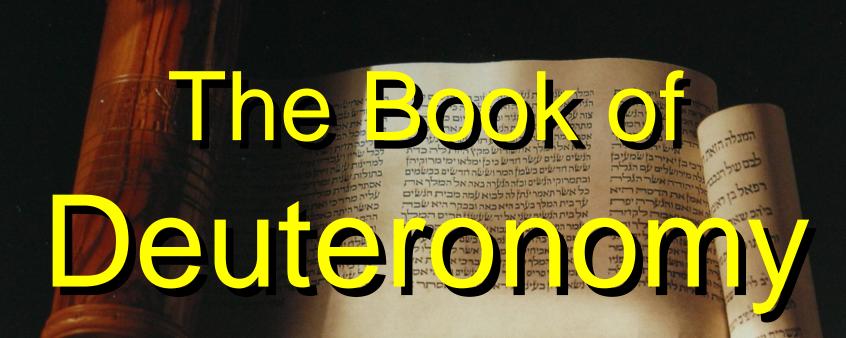
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- And the angels which kept not their first estate, but left their own habitation, he hath reserved in everlasting chains under darkness unto the judgment of the great day.
- Teven as Sodom and Gomorrha, and the cities about them in like manner, giving themselves over to fornication, and going after strange flesh, are set forth for an example, suffering the vengeance of eternal fire.

 Jude 6,7

Also after that...

- When we really understand the reason for the battles in the Old Testament we have no problem reconciling the God of the Old Testament with the God of the New Testament
- 'Both' reveal a God of love and mercy
- This is why the inhabitants of Canaan had to be destroyed
- Most 'Christians' are ignorant because they don't read their Bibles!



Chapter 4

Now therefore hearken, O Israel, unto the statutes and unto the judgments, which I teach you, for to do them, that ye may live, and go in and possess the land which the LORD God of your fathers giveth you.

Deuteronomy 4:1

- Psalm 37:3-6
 - —Trust in the LORD
 - Delight yourself in the LORD
 - Commit your way to the LORD
- The LORD will bring forth your righteousness

² Ye shall not add unto the word which I command you, neither shall ye diminish ought from it, that ye may keep the commandments of the LORD your God which I command you.

Deuteronomy 4:2

- Israel taught to respect and reverence God's Word
- Moses then casts their mind back to Sinai when the LORD spoke to them and gave them His Law
- ...and reminds them of their deliverance from Egypt

- ²³ Take heed unto yourselves, lest ye forget the covenant of the LORD your God...
- ²⁶ I call heaven and earth to witness against you this day, that ye shall soon utterly perish from off the land whereunto ye go over Jordan to possess it; ye shall not prolong your days upon it, but shall utterly be destroyed.

Deuteronomy 4:23,26

- 27 And the LORD shall scatter you among the nations, and ye shall be left few in number among the heathen, whither the LORD shall lead you.
- 28 And there ye shall serve gods, the work of men's hands, wood and stone, which neither see, nor hear, nor eat, nor smell.

Deuteronomy 4:27-28

²⁹ But if from thence thou shalt seek the LORD thy God, thou shalt find him, if thou seek him with all thy heart and with all thy soul.

When thou art in tribulation, and all these things are come upon thee, even in the latter days, if thou turn to the LORD thy God, and shalt be obedient unto his voice;

³¹(For the LORD thy God is a merciful God;) he will not forsake thee, neither destroy thee, nor forget the covenant of thy fathers which he sware unto them.

Deuteronomy 4:29-31

How can any Christian deny this promise?!!

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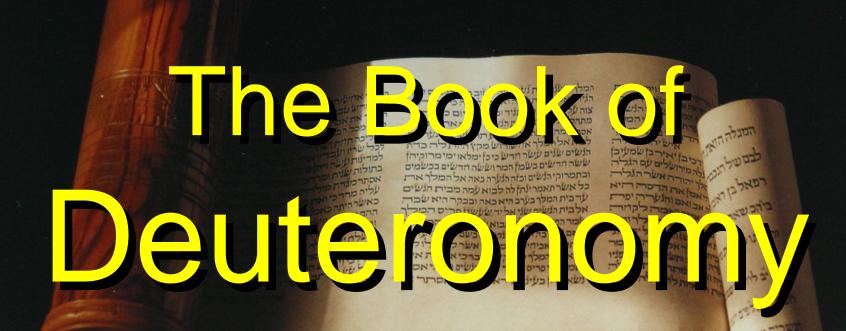
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Chapter 5

And Moses called all Israel, and said unto them, Hear, O Israel, the statutes and judgments which I speak in your ears this day, that ye may learn them, and keep, and do them.

Deuteronomy 5:1

- Statues Religious (Worship)
- Judgements Civil matters
- Learn them (must come first!)
 - Keep them (requires obedience)
 - Do them (requires action)

"The duties required in the First Commandment are, the knowing and acknowledging of God to be the only true God and our God; and to worship and glorify Him accordingly, by thinking, meditating, remembering, highly esteeming, honouring, adoring, choosing, loving, desiring, fearing of Him, believing Him, trusting, hoping, delighting, rejoicing in Him, being zealous for Him, calling upon Him, giving all praise and thanks, and yielding all obedience and submission to Him with the whole man; being careful in all things to please Him, and sorrowful when in anything He is offended; and walking humbly with Him." The Westminster Confession 1646

"You cannot say 'No Lord', and mean both words; one annuls the other. If you say no to Him, then He is not your Lord"

D. James Kennedy

"God doesn't want to be No#1 on a list of 10; He wants to No#1 on a list of 1!"

Chuck Missler

- Issue of misrepresentation
- God is jealous of His name, character & attributes
- Anything that touches these is idolatry
- Idolatry
 - making a God in your own image,
 - from your own imagination,
 - to suit your own desires

<u>Israel's Neighbors</u>

- Observed an effect (rain / sun / life)
- 'Imagined' a cause
- Create a physical object to worship, ascribing the power of the cause to their creation
- Today's church is doing the same

• The Limit of Man's Imaginations:

- ² Wherefore should the heathen say, Where is now their God?
- ³ But our God is in the heavens: he hath done whatsoever he hath pleased.
- 4 Their idols are silver and gold, the work of men's hands.
- 5 They have mouths, but they speak not: eyes have they, but they see not:

The Limit of Man's Imaginations:

They have ears, but they hear not: noses have they, but they smell not:

7 They have hands, but they handle not: feet have they, but they walk not: neither speak they through their throat.

8 They that make them are like unto them; so is every one that trusteth in them.

Psalm 115:2-8

- Twofold application
 - 1) Vocabulary
 - 2) Ambassadorship

- Most incredible reality
 - Evidence of the truth of the Bible:
- Of all the religions, of all the leaders, spiritual or otherwise, of all the mythological characters...
- It is ONLY the God of the Bible (and His Son) whose name is continually, and without the slightest contrition or remorse, used with unparalleled distain
- One Exception: Devout Jews
- Even today they reverence His name (G-d)

Ambassadors

"Let everyone who names the name of Christ depart from iniquity."

2 Tim 2:19

By Royal Appointment

You did not choose Me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit, and that your fruit should remain

John 15:16

Official Representatives

The Love has been perfected among us in this: that we may have boldness in the day of judgment; because as He is, so are we in this world.

1 John 4:17

5th Commandment

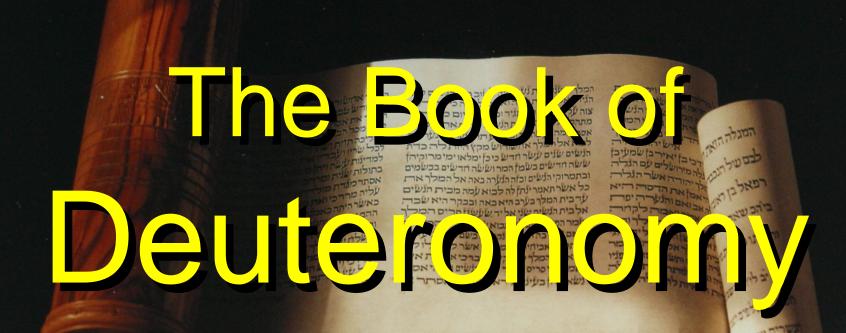
- "Honour thy father and thy mother..."
- Most neglected commandment?
- Most violated?
- Do we see violation as offensive to God?

Honour Thy Father & Mother

- We are to reverence and respect those who have given us life
- We are to bring honour to their name
- We are to accept their experience and wisdom
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Chapter 6

'Shema'

- 4 Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God is one LORD:
- 5 And thou shalt love the LORD thy God with all thine heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy might.

Deuteronomy 6:4-5

- Jesus sites this as the most important commandment – Mt 22:37/ Mk 12:30/ Lk 10:27
- It summarises the Godward part of the Law

The 10 Commandments

Deut 6:5

- 1. You shall have no other gods before me
- 2. You shall not make idols
- 3. You shall not take the LORD's name in vain
- 4. Remember the Sabbath

Lev 19:18

- 5. Honour your father & mother
- 6. You shall not kill
- 7. You shall not commit adultery
- 8. You shall not steel
- 9. You shall not lie
- 10. You shall not covert

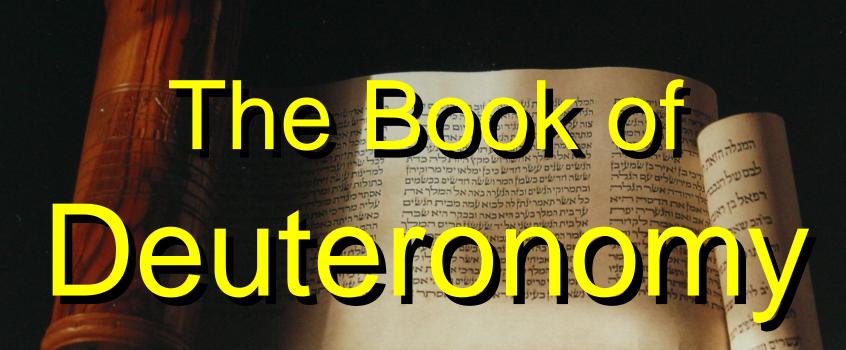
'Love the Lord your God'

'Love your Neighbour'

A Sobering Thought...

"If the giving of the Law, while it was yet unbroken, was attended with such a display of awe-inspiring power, what will that day be when the Lord shall, with flaming fire, take vengeance on those who have wilfully broken the Law?

C. H. Spurgeon



Chapter 7

When the LORD thy God shall bring thee into the land whither thou goest to possess it, and hath cast out many nations before thee, the Hittites, and the Girgashites, and the Amorites, and the Canaanites, and the Perizzites, and the Hivites, and the Jebusites, seven nations greater and mightier than thou;

Deuteronomy 7:1

- How many kings have already fallen?
 - Three (Amalek / Heshbon / Bashan)
- Seven remaining
- A model? (explored in more detail in Joshua)

² And when the LORD thy God shall deliver them before thee; thou shalt smite them, and utterly destroy them; thou shalt make no covenant with them, nor shew mercy unto them:

3 Neither shalt thou make marriages with them; thy daughter thou shalt not give unto his son, nor his

daughter shalt thou take unto thy son.

4 For they will turn away thy son from following me, that they may serve other gods: so will the anger of the LORD be kindled against you, and destroy thee suddenly.

5 But thus shall ye deal with them; ye shall destroy their altars, and break down their images, and cut down their groves, and burn their graven images with fire.

For thou art an holy people unto the LORD thy God: the LORD thy God hath chosen thee to be a special people unto himself, above all people that are upon the face of the earth.

7 The LORD did not set his love upon you, nor choose you, because ye were more in number than any people; for ye were the fewest of all people:

8 But because the LORD loved you, and because he would keep the oath which he had sworn unto your fathers, hath the LORD brought you out with a mighty hand, and redeemed you out of the house of bondmen, from the hand of Pharaoh king of Egypt.

9 Know therefore that the LORD thy God, he is God, the faithful God, which keepeth covenant and mercy with them that love him and keep his commandments to a thousand coverations:

to a thousand generations;

And repayeth them that hate him to their face, to destroy them: he will not be slack to him that hateth him, he will repay him to his face.

- 22 And the LORD thy God will put out those nations before thee by little and little: thou mayest not consume them at once, lest the beasts of the field increase upon thee.
- ²³ But the LORD thy God shall deliver them unto thee, and shall destroy them with a mighty destruction, until they be destroyed.

Deuteronomy 7:22-23

- All of this speaks of the walk of faith in the life of a Christian
- We are to be separate, holy & obedient

