

OUTLINE FOR STUDY OF BOOK OF DEUTERONOMY

I. INTRODUCTION.

- a. Review of previous lessons in Old Testament.
 - i. Genesis—"book of beginnings".
 1. The account of the Creation. Man sins. God's promises to Abraham, Isaac and Jacob and descendants, including the "seed" promise.
 - ii. Exodus—"The going out".
 1. The historical account of God's people in Egypt. The nation of Israel escapes from Egypt. God's Law given through Moses at Sinai.
 - iii. Leviticus—"Pertaining to the Levites".
 1. Shows nation of Israel set aside to worship/serve God. Shows God's plan for consecrating His people to Himself.
 - iv. Numbers—"in the wilderness". Gets name from the two "numberings" of the tribes of Israel in the book.
 1. Relates portions of Israel's 40 years of wandering because of sin.

II. BACKGROUND FOR STUDY OF BOOK OF DEUTERONOMY.

- a. Produced by Holy Spirit through Moses.
 - i. Moses words recorded in book. (Deut. 1:1; 4:44 and 29:1)
 - ii. Book claims Moses wrote it. (Deut. 31:9, 26)
 - iii. Jesus attributes book to Moses. (Matthew 19:7 and Mark 7:10)
- b. Name of the Book—derived from the Septuagint (Greek Old Testament) & means "second law".
- c. Death of Moses—book closes with his death. (31:2 and 34:7-9) (approx. 1410 B. C.)
- d. All appeals of God thru Moses—summed up in words of Deut. 6:4-5—"Hear, O Israel..."

III. THE MESSAGE OF THE BOOK OF DEUTERONOMY.

- a. The main message of the book is "obedience".

IV. MAJOR THEMES/ISSUES OF BOOK OF DEUTERONOMY.

- a. THE DOCTRINE OF THE "UNITY OF GOD". (Deut. 6:4-9; Deut. 11:13-21 and Numbers 15:37-41)
 - i. New Testament scriptures that address this subject are:
 1. I Corinthians 8:5-6; Matt. 3:16, 17; Ephesians 4:4-6 and II Corinth. 13:14.
- b. ISRAEL AS GOD'S "CHOSEN" PEOPLE. (Deut. 7:6-12)
 - i. A "responsibility" rather than "selfish privilege". (Deut. 10:12-13)
 - ii. God rejects Israel. (Deut 30:15-20)
- c. WHY MOSES WAS NOT ALLOWED TO ENTER CANAAN? (Deut. 32:49-52)
 - i. Dishonored God and disobeyed God. (Numbers 20:10-11) Also see Numbers 20:2-13 for context.
 - ii. God is no respecter of persons, so Moses had to die along with rest of older generation (with exception of Joshua and Caleb) of Israelites.

V. CONCLUSION.