

# Deuteronomy

## Lesson 6 Deuteronomy 16-18

Moses now addresses the laws of God regarding the three great feasts: the feast of Passover, of Weeks, and of Booths. These feasts were directly connected to the recent history of Israel being freed from slavery in Egypt, being led through the wilderness, and of coming to the land. These were the three feasts that every male of Israel was expected to keep, and they were to be kept in the place of God’s choosing. Following these laws are laws regarding the administration of justice among God’s people (chapter 17), and the provision for the Levites by the rest of Israel (chapter 18). Whether it is the manner in which God is worshiped or the care given to the priests of God’s law, nothing is outside of His concern in the law. Even the prophets who spoke to the people are addressed at the end of chapter 18, so that the people would not fear the prophets, but learn to fear God and His word alone.

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**Homework:**  
**After you have read chapter 16 consider the laws regarding God’s feasts. What do these laws teach us about worshiping God today even though we are not under Moses’ law?**

**Questions:**

1. What is “justice” according to God’s law (Deut. 16:18-20)? Why was it necessary that the judges of the people be impartial in administering justice?
2. Note the manner in which Israel was to investigate cases of idolatry among the people (Deut. 17:2-13). What standards of evidence did God require and why were they necessary before passing judgment?
3. Why were the people not to “learn to imitate the...things of those nations”? Does God expect this from us today as well?