

Deuteronomy

Lesson 9 Deuteronomy 25-27

Chapter 25 continues the sundry laws Moses is commanding the people to obey that they may live long in the land. In this chapter we find topics addressed ranging from childless widows (Levirate Marriage) to breaking up a fight and the need to remember Amalek. In these laws we find God providing for the weak and helpless just as he has already in the law. Chapter 26 we find very specific commands being given regarding the ceremonial fulfillment of the law. Then the conclusion of the giving of the law begins at the end of chapter 26 and goes into the following chapter as the curses of the covenant are spoken to Mount Ebal in chapter 27. Like the covenant had been given and renewed at Horeb (Deut. 11) now the curses and blessings are “renewed” as they are spoken toward the mountains Ebal and Gerizim respectively.

Notes

Homework:

Consider as we conclude the giving of the law how God was setting a standard of holiness for His people to meet. Why is it that we so often seek to lower God’s standard to be easier to reach?

Questions:

1. Where in Scripture do we find examples of Levirate Marriage (Deut. 25:5-10)?

2. How was God providing for the stranger in the land, the fatherless, and widows through the ceremonial worship of Israel?

3. In the conclusion of the declaration of the law (Deut 26:16-19) what was Moses seeking the people to learn about their relationship with God and the world?

4. How did Moses and the Priests of Levi minister to the people at Moutn Ebal?