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ADULT BIBLE STUDY

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Deuteronomy's Covenant

- I) Preamble (Deuteronomy 1:1-5)
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- VI) Witnesses (Deuteronomy 29-33)

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Curses & Blessings

- Moses and the elders address the people facing toward Mount Ebal commanding them to write all of the law on stones when they had crossed the Jordan and to construct an altar to God, 27:1-8
- Moses tells the people of the curses they will incur if they break the covenant with the LORD, 27:9-26

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Curses & Blessings

- If the people are diligent to keep all of God law then they will be exalted above all the nations, 28:1-6
- God would give them victory in war, plentiful harvest, and prosperity as blessings of the covenant, 26:7-14

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Curses & Blessings

- Moses reiterates the consequences of disobedience and the blessings will turn to curses, 28:15-44
- The curses were to stand as a sign and wonder to them and their descendants of the need to serve God alone and not the nations around them or their gods, 28:45-57
- Summary of the curses given, 28:58-68

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Applications

- Ch 27 & 28: There is great reward in keeping God's law, and great terror in the curses of disobedience for God's people.

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Witnesses of the Covenant

- Moses calls the people to covenant faithfulness in his absence, 29:1-9
- Moses then emphasizes the relationship Israel was to have with God in the covenant, 29:10-15
- Moses reminds them of their former exposure to idolatry in Egypt and how it was a detestable thing, 29:16-18

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Witnesses of the Covenant

- Moses warns the people to not become proud and arrogant and thereby break the covenant, 29:19-21
- Moses warns of a future where the people having broken the covenant become an object lesson to other nations of God's wrath against sin, 29:22-29

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Witnesses of the Covenant

- Even though the people would break the covenant and be punished God promises through Moses a future restoration, 30:1-14
- The choice was Israel's: Life or Death, Blessing or Curse, 30:15-20

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Witnesses of the Covenant

- Moses gives his final counsel to the people to be strong and courageous, faithful to the LORD, and to follow Joshua's leadership, 31:1-8
- It is recorded that Moses wrote the law down and gave it to the priests charging them to read it to the people and teach them to keep it, 31:9-13

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Witnesses of the Covenant

- God warns Moses and Joshua that the people will fail to keep His law after Moses' death, 31:14-18
- God commands Moses to write a song as a witness against the people that He would be blameless in sending the curses against them, 31:19-22
- God promises to be with Joshua and Moses speaks to the people of the role the song will serve as a witness against them, 31:23-30

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Witnesses of the Covenant

- The Song of Moses introduces at the start of the book that it is to teach them and bring glory to God's greatness, 32:1-3
- Moses sings of a faithful God and a faithless people, and the goodness of God, 32:4-14
- Moses sings prophetically of Israel's future apostasy against God's covenant and its result, 32:15-22

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Witnesses of the Covenant

- Moses sings of God's judgment being executed against His faithless people because of their lack of discernment, 32:23-33
- Moses sings of God's possible compassion for His people and of God's vindication and vengeance, 32:34-44
- Moses ends the song and urged Israel to keep all of God's word so that these things would not happen, 32:45-52

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Applications

- Ch 27 & 28: There is great reward in keeping God's law, and great terror in the curses of disobedience for God's people.
- Ch 29-32: God's people must choose life and obedience or suffer His wrath.

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Conclusion

- Moses at the end of his life speaks a blessing (prayer) over the tribes of Israel that they would be faithful and prosperous in the land God was giving them, 33:1-25
- Moses praises the God of Israel, 33:26-29

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Conclusion

- Moses went up to the top of Mount Pisgah and viewed all of the land that God would give His people before his death, 34:1-4
- Moses died in the land of Moab at 120 years old without losing his strength, 34:5-8
- Joshua assumes the leadership of Israel, but from that time on there was no prophet like Moses in Israel (anticipating the Messiah who would fulfill Deut. 18:15), 34:9-12

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Applications

- Ch 27 & 28: There is great reward in keeping God's law, and great terror in the curses of disobedience for God's people.
- Ch 29-32: God's people must choose life and obedience or suffer His wrath.
- Ch 33-34: We serve a faithful God who is unique, and who rewards those who serve Him.