

TAKE POSSESSION OF THE LAND!
A study in Deuteronomy
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MEN, MEET YOUR GOD: A JEALOUS GOD
Deuteronomy 4:1-43

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4:1-14 I. Possession demands obedience.

"And now, O Israel...."

:1-4

A. Listen to Him.

"...listen to the statutes and rules...and do them...."

:2

1. Don't add or subtract.

"You shall not add...nor take from it..."

:3-4

2. Remember the past.

"Your eyes have seen what the Lord did at Baal-peor...."

:5-8

B. Show the nations

:5-6

1. a wise people

"...for that will be your wisdom and your understanding in the eyes of the people..."

:7

2. a god so near

"For what great nation is there who has a god so near..."

:8

3. laws so righteous

"...and rules so righteous..."

:9-14

C. Take care

:9a

1. your soul

"...keep your soul diligently, lest you forget..."

:9b-11

2. your children

"Make them known to your children..."

:12

3. your worship

"You heard the sound of words, but saw no form..."

:13-14

4. your behavior

"...and he declared to you his covenant...."

:15-31 II. Possession prohibits idolatry.

:15-19

A. Don't bow down to images.

cf. Genesis 1

:20

B. Remember His salvation.

"But the Lord has taken you and brought you out of the iron furnace, out of Egypt, to be a people of his own inheritance, as you are this day."

:21-22

C. Remember His discipline.

"Furthermore, the Lord was angry with me because of you..."

:23-24

D. Remember His jealousy.

"For the Lord your God is a consuming fire, a jealous God."

:25-31

E. Remember His warning.

"...if you act corruptly...you will not live long in it..."

- :25-28** 1. scattered
“And the Lord will scatter you among the peoples... And there you will serve gods of wood and stone....”
- :29-31** 2. gathered
“...you will return to the Lord... He will not leave you or destroy you or foget the covenant with your fathers....”
- :32-43 III. Possession requires devotion.**
- A. His works are unique.
“...since the day that God created man on the earth...whether such a great thing as this has ever happened....”
- :33, 36** 1. speaking to you
“Did any people ever have the voice of a god speaking out of the midst of the fire, as you have heard, and still live?”
- :34, 37-38** 2. saving you
“Or has any god ever attempted to go and take a nation for himself from the midst of another nation...?”
- :35, 39** B. He is unique.
“...there is no other besides him...there is no other.”
- :40-43** C. Therefore
“Therefore....”