

That One Where He Pleaded

Dt. 3:23-7:1; Is. 40:1-26; Mt. 4:1-11,
22:33-40, Mk. 12:28-34; Lk. 4:1-13, 10:25-
37, Ac. 13:13-43, Ro. 3:27-31; 1 Ti. 2:4-6,
Ja. 2:14-26

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Old Testament Lessons

(1406 B. C.) Deuteronomy 3:23-29, 4:25-40, 5:23-7:11

Moses Reviews History and Purpose

Moses Forbidden to Enter the Land

3:23 The Gemara deduced that, “One should seek a suppliant state of mind before praying.”¹

24 Rabbi Simlai deduced, ‘One should also begin prayer by praising G-d.’

25 Pleasant Mountain = the Temple Mount; Lebanon = Temple in Jerusalem

26 Why would God say “enough”?

The Gemara provided another explanation of the word “enough! (rab)” in Deuteronomy 3:26: God was telling Moses that Moses had a master (rab), namely Joshua, waiting to assume authority to lead the Israelites into the Promised Land, and thus Moses should not delay another master’s reign by prolonging his own ... The Gemara explained why God was so hard on Moses with a Baraita taught in the School of Rabbi Ishmael: according to the camel is the burden; that is, a stronger, more righteous one must bear a greater burden.

27 Rabbi Eleazer, “concluded that prayer is more effective than good deeds.”

28 Rabbi Ishmael taught that, “whenever Scripture uses the word ‘command’, it denotes exhortation to obedience immediately and for all time.”

Moses Commands Obedience

4:1 Mishpatim (ordinances): A judgment between two claims. Deuteronomy 12:1 – 26:19.²

The Rabbis in a Baraita taught that, “ordinances’ were commands that logic would have dictated that we follow” even in the absence of Scripture.

Chukim (statutes): Laws that never change.

“Statutes’ were commandments that the Adversary challenges us to violate as beyond reason”.

4 Baal-Peor – Numbers 25:1-9

Beware of Idolatry

4:20 A round furnace, 30 feet deep, and intensely hot.

4:30 “The age of the Messiah”

¹ <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Va'etchanan>

² <http://restorationoftorah.org/WeeklyParsha/MBMVaetchannan.pdf>

Cities of Refuge East of the Jordan

4:41-3 The Mishnah taught that whenever death occurred as a part of a downward motion then the person went into banishment. The “manslayer” stayed there until the death of the high priest.

The Law Giver Urges Obedience***Introduction to G-d’s Law******The Ten Commandments Reviewed***

5:4 Rabbi Azariah in the name of Rabbi Judah ben Rabbi Simon that the L-rd spoke to the nation openly in its infancy but in the Temple when they were matured.

5 In this verse Moses is a mediator or a type of Christ.

The People Afraid of G-d’s Presence

5:25 This passage speaks of the special arrangement where someone else would speak the L-rd’s words to the people.

The Greatest Commandment

6:4, 5 The Shema should be concluded with, “blessed be the name of G-d’s glorious Kingdom for ever and ever”, quietly to oneself.

5 Abaye interpreted these words to mean that we should love the L-rd by being honest in business and pleasant speaking to bring honor to the Name of God and cause others to love that Name.

Caution Against Disobedience

6:11 The Canaanites hide their valuables from the Isrealites so G-d would sometimes infect a house with leprosy so that when they torn the house down they would find treasure. The portion of scripture that talks about the leprosy laws is entitled “she conceived”

24-25 The purpose of the Law is so that it will go well with them in the land!

A Chosen People**(~681 B. C.) Isaiah 40:1-26****Isaiah Prophecies about Restoration and the Messiah**

This is about the deliverance from captivity (presently by Assyria) by Babylon under Cyrus.

G-d’s People Are Comforted

2 Speak “to the heart”...

Warfare or appointed time is a Messianic reference – See Galatians 4:3, 4

Pardoned – The L-rd now delights in her

- Double for her sins – Assyrian and Roman captivity (?)
- 3 Matthew 3:1-3
- 9 Mountian – ‘If I be lifted up...’
- 9-11 This prophesies the second coming of Christ.
- 11 This verse makes him a man.
- 12 This verse makes him God.
- 16 Compare Deuteronomy 3:25

New Testament Lessons

(A. D. 27) Luke 4:1-13

Jesus Faces Temptation [by the Devil on a Mountain in the Wilderness]

- 1 Isaiah 40:1
- 3 Isaiah 40:5
- 5 Isaiah 40:9
- 8 Deuteronomy 6:13
- 12 Deuteronomy 6:16

(A. D. 29) Mark 12:28-34

Final Week – Tuesday Morning

The Scribes: Which is the First Commandment of All

- 29, 30 Deuteronomy 6:4, 5
- 33 Isaiah 40:16
- 34 Isaiah 40:14, 23; Deuteronomy 5:25

(A. D. 45 - 47) Acts 13:13-43

[Barnabas and Paul's] First Missionary Journey

At Antioch in Pisidia

- 17 Deuteronomy 7:6-8
- 19 Deuteronomy 7:1

23 Isaiah 40:10

24 Isaiah 40:3-5

27 Isaiah 40:28

29 Deuteronomy 4:20

(A. D. 58) Romans 3:27-31

Righteousness of God

Boasting Excluded

Questions

What is your context?

What do you think of the Law now?