

DEUTERONOMY
Lesson 1
ISRAEL AT THE MOUNTAIN

The spirit of Deuteronomy is looking b_____ in order to look a_____.

These are the words Moses spoke to all Israel in the wilderness east of the Jordan—that is, in the Arabah—opposite Suph, between Paran and Tophel, Laban, Hazeroth and Dizahab. 2 (It takes eleven days to go from Horeb to Kadesh Barnea by the Mount Seir road.)

3 In the fortieth year, on the first day of the eleventh month, Moses proclaimed to the Israelites all that the Lord had commanded him concerning them. Deuteronomy 1:1-3 NIV

Mt. Horeb is better known to us as Mt. _____.

Forty years to make an eleven-day journey. Why?

Someone has remarked, *They were slow travelers because they were slow l_____.*

THERE IS A TIME WHEN WE NEED TO M_____

The Lord our God said to us at Horeb, “You have stayed long enough at this mountain. Deuteronomy 1:6 NIV

After the Exodus, the Hebrews stayed at Mt. Sinai for not quite a _____.

This enabled time for:

The t_____ to be constructed

The Priests and Levites to be set apart to s_____ the Lord.

The Lord to give the people His law.

- The Law revealed their s_____
- The Law showed what was necessary to have an o_____ and just society.
- The Law established the practice of an atoning s_____
- The Law taught them how to w_____.

What is your Mountain?

I read a new expression this week: T_____ Christianity.

THERE IS A V_____ WE NEED TO SEE

7 Break camp and advance into the hill country of the Amorites; go to all the neighboring peoples in the Arabah, in the mountains, in the western foothills, in the Negev and along the coast, to the land of the Canaanites and to Lebanon, as far as the great river, the Euphrates. 8 See, I have given you this land. Go in and take possession of the land the Lord swore he

would give to your fathers—to Abraham, Isaac and Jacob—and to their descendants after them.” Deuteronomy 1:6-8 NIV

The Vision Includes G_____

The Vision Includes G_____ Work

I have given you this land. Deuteronomy 1:8

The Vision Includes God’s P_____

The Lord swore he would give to your fathers – to Abraham, Isaac and Jacob...

THERE IS A NEED FOR GOOD L_____ AND O_____

9 At that time I said to you, “You are too heavy a burden for me to carry alone. 10 The Lord your God has increased your numbers so that today you are as numerous as the stars in the sky. 11 May the Lord, the God of your ancestors, increase you a thousand times and bless you as he has promised! 12 But how can I bear your problems and your burdens and your disputes all by myself? 13 Choose some wise, understanding and respected men from each of your tribes, and I will set them over you.”

14 You answered me, “What you propose to do is good.”

15 So I took the leading men of your tribes, wise and respected men, and appointed them to have authority over you—as commanders of thousands, of hundreds, of fifties and of tens and as tribal officials. 16 And I charged your judges at that time, “Hear the disputes between your people and judge fairly, whether the case is between two Israelites or between an Israelite and a foreigner residing among you. 17 Do not show partiality in judging; hear both small and great alike. Do not be afraid of anyone, for judgment belongs to God. Bring me any case too hard for you, and I will hear it.” 18 And at that time I told you everything you were to do. Deuteronomy 1:9-18 NIV

7 Moses’ father-in-law replied, “What you are doing is not good. 18 You and these people who come to you will only wear yourselves out. The work is too heavy for you; you cannot handle it alone.

21 But select capable men from all the people—men who fear God, trustworthy men who hate dishonest gain—and appoint them as officials over thousands, hundreds, fifties and tens. Exodus 18:17-18, 21 NIV

Moses’ Father-in-Law’s name was _____.

Notice the principles by which they were to lead:

Judge f_____ No p_____ Trust the Lord

This text serves as a reminder that from the beginning their people were part of a g_____ plan.

- General Douglas MacArthur once said that a man is old when he begins to look backwards m_____ than he looks forward.