

DEUTERONOMY
Lesson 3
ON THE WAY TO MOAB

How did we get to where we are?

Then we turned back and set out toward the wilderness along the route to the Red Sea, as the Lord had directed me. For a long time we made our way around the hill country of Seir.
Deuteronomy 2:1 NIV

THE WAIT AND WANDERING WILL BE O_____

2 Then the Lord said to me, 3 “You have made your way around this hill country long enough; now turn north. Deuteronomy 2:2-3 NIV

14 Thirty-eight years passed from the time we left Kadesh Barnea until we crossed the Zered Valley. By then, that entire generation of fighting men had perished from the camp, as the Lord had sworn to them. Deuteronomy 2:14 NIV

It is interesting to review the stories Moses s_____.

Numbers 20 – Water from the r_____

Numbers 21 – The bronze s_____

Numbers 22 – Balaam and his d_____

God answers prayers three ways: *Y_____*, *N_____*, or *W_____*.

- *When God says “G_____” don’t say “N_____.”*

OLD C_____ ARE STILL INTACT

4 Give the people these orders: ‘You are about to pass through the territory of your relatives the descendants of Esau, who live in Seir. They will be afraid of you, but be very careful. 5 Do not provoke them to war, for I will not give you any of their land, not even enough to put your foot on. I have given Esau the hill country of Seir as his own. 6 You are to pay them in silver for the food you eat and the water you drink.’” Deuteronomy 2:4-5 NIV

The Edomites were descended from _____.

Centuries later, Edom was still angry with Israel and rejoiced when the Babylonians destroyed Jerusalem. (Amos 1:11; Obadiah 10-13)

7 The Lord your God has blessed you in all the work of your hands. He has watched over your journey through this vast wilderness. These forty years the Lord your God has been with you, and you have not lacked anything.

8 So we went on past our relatives the descendants of Esau, who live in Seir. We turned from the Arabah road, which comes up from Elath and Ezion Geber, and traveled along the desert road of Moab. Deuteronomy 2:7-8 NIV

9 Then the Lord said to me, “Do not harass the Moabites or provoke them to war, for I will not give you any part of their land. I have given Ar to the descendants of Lot as a possession.” Deuteronomy 2:9 NIV

The Moabites were to be spared because they were descendants of _____, the nephew of Abraham (Genesis 19:30-38).

D _____ THE ENEMIES THAT COME TO YOU

26 From the Desert of Kedemoth I sent messengers to Sihon king of Heshbon offering peace and saying, 27 “Let us pass through your country. We will stay on the main road; we will not turn aside to the right or to the left. 28 Sell us food to eat and water to drink for their price in silver. Only let us pass through on foot— 29 as the descendants of Esau, who live in Seir, and the Moabites, who live in Ar, did for us—until we cross the Jordan into the land the Lord our God is giving us.” 30 But Sihon king of Heshbon refused to let us pass through. For the Lord your God had made his spirit stubborn and his heart obstinate in order to give him into your hands, as he has now done.

31 The Lord said to me, “See, I have begun to deliver Sihon and his country over to you. Now begin to conquer and possess his land.” Deuteronomy 2:26-31 NIV

32 When Sihon and all his army came out to meet us in battle at Jahaz, 33 the Lord our God delivered him over to us and we struck him down, together with his sons and his whole army. 34 At that time we took all his towns and completely destroyed them—men, women and children. We left no survivors. 35 But the livestock and the plunder from the towns we had captured we carried off for ourselves. Deuteronomy 2:32-35 NIV

A question we will face in Deuteronomy is the allowance to strike down entire peoples.

- Every day of life is more g_____ than anyone deserves.
- Eliminate potential s_____ of wickedness.
- Perhaps they put up resistance until the e_____.
- The destruction took the f_____ out of everyone else and accelerated the end of future conflicts.

This very day I will begin to put the terror and fear of you on all the nations under heaven. They will hear reports of you and will tremble and be in anguish because of you.” Deuteronomy 2:25 NIV

- God’s allowance of where they were in their u_____.

3 Some Pharisees came to him to test him. They asked, “Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife for any and every reason?”

4 “Haven’t you read,” he replied, “that at the beginning the Creator ‘made them male and female,’ 5 and said, ‘For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife, and the two will become one flesh’? 6 So they

are no longer two, but one flesh. Therefore what God has joined together, let no one separate.”

7 “Why then,” they asked, “did Moses command that a man give his wife a certificate of divorce and send her away?”

8 Jesus replied, “Moses permitted you to divorce your wives because your hearts were hard. But it was not this way from the beginning. Matthew 19:3-8 NIV

This victory gave the Israelites encouragement and c_____.

36 From Aroer on the rim of the Arnon Gorge, and from the town in the gorge, even as far as Gilead, not one town was too strong for us. The Lord our God gave us all of them.

Deuteronomy 2:36 NIV

Next we turned and went up along the road toward Bashan, and Og king of Bashan with his whole army marched out to meet us in battle at Edrei. 2 The Lord said to me, “Do not be afraid of him, for I have delivered him into your hands, along with his whole army and his land. Do to him what you did to Sihon king of the Amorites, who reigned in Heshbon.”

Deuteronomy 3:1-2

3 So the Lord our God also gave into our hands Og king of Bashan and all his army. We struck them down, leaving no survivors. 4 At that time we took all his cities. There was not one of the sixty cities that we did not take from them Deuteronomy 3:3-4 NIV

- *H_____ often prepares ordinary people, for an extraordinary destiny -C.S. Lewis.*

BONUS LESSON: WHEN N_____ TO PRAY

23 At that time I pleaded with the Lord: 24 “Sovereign Lord, you have begun to show to your servant your greatness and your strong hand. For what god is there in heaven or on earth who can do the deeds and mighty works you do? 25 Let me go over and see the good land beyond the Jordan—that fine hill country and Lebanon.”

26 But because of you the Lord was angry with me and would not listen to me. “That is enough,” the Lord said. “Do not speak to me anymore about this matter. 27 Go up to the top of Pisgah and look west and north and south and east. Look at the land with your own eyes, since you are not going to cross this Jordan. 28 But commission Joshua, and encourage and strengthen him, for he will lead this people across and will cause them to inherit the land that you will see.” Deuteronomy 3:23-26 NIV

TIME TO LOOK A_____

Do not add to what I command you and do not subtract from it, but keep the commands of the Lord your God that I give you. Deuteronomy 4:2 NIV