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Deuteronomy

Deuteronomy 1

Deuteronomy 1:1

ULT

¹ These are the words that Moses spoke to all Israel beyond the Jordan in the wilderness, in the plain of the Jordan River valley over against Suph, between Paran, Tophel, Laban, Hazeroth, and Dizahab.

UST

¹ In this book is written what Moses had said to all the Israelites, after they had set up their tents east of the Jordan—in the desert plain along the Jordan—near a place named Suph, between Paran on one side of the Jordan River and the towns of Tophel, Laban, Hazeroth, and Dizahab on the other side of the river.

Where was Moses when he spoke to Israel?

Moses was beyond the Jordan in the wilderness, in the plain of the Jordan river valley.

Deuteronomy 1:2

ULT

² It is eleven days' journey from Horeb by the way of Mount Seir to Kadesh Barnea.

UST

² To walk from Mount Sinai to Kadesh Barnea, people usually travel for only eleven days, going by way of the hill country called Edom.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 1:3**ULT**

³ It happened in the fortieth year, in the eleventh month, on the first day of the month, that Moses spoke to the people of Israel all that Yahweh commanded him concerning them.

UST

³ Forty years after the Israelites had left Egypt, Moses told the Israelite people everything that Yahweh had commanded him.

When did Moses speak to the people of Israel, telling them all that Yahweh commanded him?

It was the fortieth year, the first day of the eleventh month, on the first day of the month.

Deuteronomy 1:4**ULT**

⁴ This was after they attacked Sihon the king of the Amorites, who lived in Heshbon, and Og the king of Bashan, who lived in Ashtaroth at Edrei.

UST

⁴ This was after they had defeated Sihon, the king of the Amor people group, who lived in the city of Heshbon, and Og, the king of the region of Bashan, who lived in towns of Ashtaroth and Edrei.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 1:5**ULT**

⁵ Beyond the Jordan, in the land of Moab, Moses began to announce these instructions, saying,

UST

⁵ Moses told them these things while the people were in Moab, on the east side of the Jordan River. He explained to them God's instructions. This is what he said to them:

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 1:6**ULT**

⁶ “Yahweh our God spoke to us at Horeb, saying, ‘You have lived long enough in this hill country.

UST

⁶ “Yahweh our God said to us when we were at Mount Sinai, ‘You have stayed for a very long time at the foot of this mountain.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 1:7**ULT**

⁷ Turn and take your journey, and go to the hill country of the Amorites and to all their dwellings in the plain of the Jordan River valley, in the hill country, in the lowland, in the Negev, and by the seashore—the land of the Canaanites, and in Lebanon as far as the great river, the Euphrates.

UST

⁷ So now continue traveling. Go to the hill country where the Amorites live and to the nearby areas—to the plain along the Jordan, to the hill country, to the western foothills, to the southern Judean wilderness, to the Mediterranean seacoast, to all the land of Canaan, to the Lebanon mountains, and northeast to the great Euphrates River.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 1:8**ULT**

⁸ Look, I have given the land before you; go in and possess the land that Yahweh swore to your fathers—to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob—to give to them and to their descendants after them.’

UST

⁸ I will give that land to you. I, Yahweh, promised to your ancestors Abraham and Isaac and Jacob that I would give it to them and to their descendants. So now go and occupy it.”

To whom had Yahweh sworn to give the land?

Yahweh had sworn to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob to give the land to them and to their descendants after them.

Deuteronomy 1:9**ULT**

⁹ I spoke to you at that time, saying, 'I am not able to carry you myself alone.

UST

⁹ Moses also said to the people, "When we were still at Mount Sinai, I said to your ancestors, 'It is a very big task for me to govern all of you. I cannot do it by myself.

Why did Moses feel he could not carry the people alone? (vv9-10)

God had multiplied them, made them as the stars of heaven.

Deuteronomy 1:10**ULT**

¹⁰ Yahweh your God has multiplied you, and, look, you are today as the multitude of the stars of heaven.

UST

¹⁰ Yahweh our God has caused us Israelites to become as numerous as the stars in the sky.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 1:11**ULT**

¹¹ May Yahweh, the God of your fathers, make you a thousand times as many as you are, and bless you, just as he told you!

UST

¹¹ And I hope that Yahweh, the God whom our ancestors worshiped, will cause us to become a thousand times as numerous as we are now and that he will bless us just like he promised to do.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 1:12**ULT**

¹² But how can I myself alone carry your loads, your burdens, and your disputes?

UST

¹² But I certainly cannot deal with all of your complaints and disputes.

Who would help Moses carry the loads, burdens, and disputes of the people? (vv12-13)

They would take wise understanding men of good repute, tribe by tribe, and make these men heads over them.

Deuteronomy 1:13**ULT**

¹³ Nominate for yourselves men who are wise, understanding, and of good repute from each of your tribes, and I will make them heads over you.'

UST

¹³ So choose some men from your tribes who are wise and who have good sense and who are respected. Then I will appoint them to be your leaders.'

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 1:14**ULT**

¹⁴ You answered me and said, 'The thing that you have spoken is good for us to do.'

UST

¹⁴ Your ancestors replied, 'What you have suggested is good for us to do.'

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 1:15**ULT**

¹⁵ So I took the heads of your tribes—men who are wise and of good repute—and gave them as heads over you, captains of thousands, captains of hundreds, captains of fifties, captains of tens, and officers, for each of your tribes

UST

¹⁵ So I took the wise and respected men that your ancestors chose from your tribes, and I appointed them to be your leaders. I appointed some to rule over one thousand people, some to have authority over one hundred people, some to have authority over fifty people, and some to have authority over ten people. I also appointed other officers from throughout your tribes.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 1:16**ULT**

¹⁶ And, I commanded your judges at that time, saying, 'Listen to your brothers, and judge righteously between a man and his brother, and the foreigner who is with him.

UST

¹⁶ I instructed your leaders, 'Listen to the disputes that occur among your people. Judge each dispute, including disputes between close relatives and quarrels between your people and people from other countries who live among you.

What did Moses command the judges to do?

He commanded them to hear the disputes between brothers, and the foreigner who is with him.

Deuteronomy 1:17**ULT**

¹⁷ You will not show partiality to anyone in the judgment; you will hear the small and the great alike. You will not turn aside from the face of a man, for the judgment belongs to God himself. And the word which is too heavy for you, you will bring to me, and I will hear it.'

UST

¹⁷ You must not play favorites. You must treat poor people and important people equally. You must not worry about what anyone will think, because you will decide matters as God wants you to. If any dispute is very difficult and you are unable to decide it, bring it to me, and I will decide.'

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 1:18**ULT**

¹⁸ So I commanded you at that time all the things that you should do.

UST

¹⁸ At that time I also told to you many other things."

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 1:19**ULT**

¹⁹ Then we journeyed away from Horeb and went through all that great and terrible wilderness that you saw on the way to the hill country of the Amorites, as Yahweh our God had commanded us; and we came to Kadesh Barnea.

UST

¹⁹ "Then, just like Yahweh our God commanded us, we left Mount Sinai and went through that huge desert that is very dangerous, on the road to the hill country where the Amor people group live. We arrived at Kadesh Barnea.

What did Israel travel through as they journeyed from Horeb to the hill country?

They traveled through all the great and terrible wilderness.

Deuteronomy 1:20**ULT**

²⁰ And I said to you, 'You have come to the hill country of the Amorites, which Yahweh our God is giving to us.

UST

²⁰ I said to your ancestors, 'We have now come to the hill country where the Amor people group live. This is part of the area that Yahweh our God, the one whom our ancestors worshiped, is giving to us.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 1:21**ULT**

²¹ Look, Yahweh your God has set the land before you; go up, take possession, as Yahweh, the God of your fathers, has spoken to you; do not be afraid, neither be discouraged.'

UST

²¹ Note that Yahweh our God is giving this land to us. So go and occupy it as he commanded. Do not be at all afraid.'

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 1:22**ULT**

²² Every one of you came to me and said, 'Let us send men ahead of us, so that they may search out the land for us, and bring us word about the way by which we go up into it, and about the cities to which we will come.'

UST

²² But your ancestors all came to me and said, 'Before we go, we should first send some men there to explore the land, in order that they can return and tell us which will be the best road to go there and what kind of towns are there.'

Why did the people ask Moses to send men ahead of them?

They asked Moses to send men ahead to search out the land and bring back word about how they should attack and about the cities.

Deuteronomy 1:23**ULT**

²³ This word was good in my eyes, so I took from among you twelve men, one man for {each} tribe.

UST

²³ I thought that it would be good to do that, so I chose twelve men, one man from each tribe.

Who did Moses choose to scout out the land in the hill country?

He chose twelve men, one man for every tribe.

Deuteronomy 1:24**ULT**

²⁴ They turned and went up into the hill country, and came to the Valley of Eshkol, and scouted it.

UST

²⁴ They went up into the hill country as far as Eshcol Valley, and they explored all that area.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 1:25**ULT**

²⁵ They took with their hands {some} of the fruit of the land and brought {it} down to us. They also returned to us with a word and said, '{It is} a good land that Yahweh our God is giving to us.'

UST

²⁵ They picked some of the fruit that they found there and brought it to us. They reported that the land that Yahweh our God was giving to us is very good."

What did the men report back about the land?

They said, "It is a good land that Yahweh our God is giving to us."

Deuteronomy 1:26**ULT**

²⁶ But your fathers did not go up, and you provoked the mouth of Yahweh your God.

UST

²⁶ "But your ancestors refused to go and conquer that land. They rebelled against what Yahweh our God had commanded them to do, and they would not go into that land.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 1:27**ULT**

²⁷ And you grumbled in your tents and said, "In Yahweh's hatred against us he brought us out of the land of Egypt, in order to give us into the hand of the Amorites to destroy us.

UST

²⁷ Your ancestors stayed in their tents and complained. They said, 'Yahweh hates us. So he has brought us here from Egypt just to allow the Amor people group to destroy us.

Why did the men say Yahweh brought them out of the land of Egypt?

They said Yahweh hated them and he brought them out of the land of Egypt to destroy them.

Deuteronomy 1:28**ULT**

²⁸ Where {can} we go? Our brothers have made our heart to melt, saying, 'Those people {are} greater and taller than we are; their cities are great and {are} fortified up to the sky; moreover, we have seen the sons of the Anakim there.'"

UST

²⁸ We do not want to go there. The men whom we sent there have made us very discouraged. They have told us that the people there are much stronger and taller than we are, and that there are very high walls around their towns. Also they reported that they had seen giants there that are descendants of Anak.'

What did their brothers say about the people of the land?

They said that the people of the land were bigger and taller than the Israelites.

Deuteronomy 1:29**ULT**

²⁹ Then I said to you, 'Do not be terrified, neither be afraid of them.

UST

²⁹ Then I said to your ancestors, 'Do not be afraid at all of those people!

What did Moses say was there reason the people did not need to be afraid? (vv29-31)

He told them not to be afraid, because Yahweh would go before them and would fight for them like he did in Egypt and in the wilderness.

Deuteronomy 1:30**ULT**

³⁰ Yahweh your God, who walks before you, he himself will fight for you, like everything that he did for you in Egypt before your eyes,

UST

³⁰ Yahweh our God will go ahead of you, and he will fight for you, just like you saw him do for you in Egypt

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 1:31**ULT**

³¹ and also in the wilderness, where you have seen how Yahweh your God carried you, as a man carries his son, all along the way which you went until you came to this place.'

UST

³¹ and in the desert. You saw how he brought you safely here, like a man would carry his son. '

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 1:32**ULT**

³² Yet in spite of this word you did not believe Yahweh your God,

UST

³²⁻³³ I reminded them that he always went ahead of them while they traveled in the desert. He directed them by a pillar of fire during the night and a pillar of cloud during the day. He showed them places to set up their tents. But in spite of what I said, your ancestors would not trust Yahweh our God.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 1:33**ULT**

³³ who went before you on the way to find a place for you to make camp, in fire by night and in a cloud by day.

UST

³²⁻³³ I reminded them that he always went ahead of them while they traveled in the desert. He directed them by a pillar of fire during the night and a pillar of cloud during the day. He showed them places to set up their tents. But in spite of what I said, your ancestors would not trust Yahweh our God.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 1:34**ULT**

³⁴ Yahweh heard the sound of your words and was angry; he swore and said,

UST

³⁴ Yahweh heard what they said, and he became angry. He solemnly declared,

What did Yahweh say because he was angry? (vv34-35)

He swore and said, "Surely not one of these men of this evil generation will see the good land except Caleb."

Deuteronomy 1:35**ULT**

³⁵ 'Surely not one of these men of this evil generation will see the good land that I swore to give to your ancestors,

UST

³⁵⁻³⁶ 'Caleb son of Jephunneh, will enter the land. He has obeyed me completely. So I will give to him and to his descendants some of the land that he explored. He is the only one of all you people who will enter that land. None of these evil people will ever see that good land which I solemnly promised to give to your ancestors.'

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 1:36**ULT**

³⁶ save Caleb son of Jephunneh; he will see it. To him I will give the land that he has stepped on, and to his children, because he has wholly followed Yahweh.'

UST

³⁵⁻³⁶ 'Caleb son of Jephunneh, will enter the land. He has obeyed me completely. So I will give to him and to his descendants some of the land that he explored. He is the only one of all you people who will enter that land. None of these evil people will ever see that good land which I solemnly promised to give to your ancestors.'

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 1:37**ULT**

³⁷ Also Yahweh was angry with me because of you, saying, 'You also will not go in there;

UST

³⁷ But because of what your ancestors did, Yahweh was also angry with me. He said to me, 'You also will not go enter that land.'

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 1:38**ULT**

³⁸ Joshua son of Nun, who stands before you, he will go in there; encourage him, for he will lead Israel to inherit it.

UST

³⁸ Joshua son of Nun, who is your helper, will enter it. Encourage him, because he is the one who will enable you Israelite people to occupy that land.'

What did Yahweh tell Moses to do for Joshua the son of Nun?

Yahweh told Moses to encourage Joshua for he will lead Israel to inherit the land.

Deuteronomy 1:39**ULT**

³⁹ Moreover, your little children, the ones you said would be victims, who today have no knowledge of good or evil—they will go in there. To them I will give it, and they will possess it.

UST

³⁹ Then Yahweh said to all of us, 'You said that your children would be captured by your enemies. Because they are very young, they do not yet know what is good and what is evil. But they are the ones to whom I will give that land, and they will enter it and occupy it.'

Who did Yahweh say will go into the land and possess it?

He said their little children will go in and will possess it.

Deuteronomy 1:40**ULT**

⁴⁰ But {as for} you, turn and take your journey into the wilderness along the way to the Sea of Reeds.'

UST

⁴⁰ But as for you, turn around and go back into the desert, toward the Sea of Reeds.'

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 1:41**ULT**

⁴¹ Then you answered and said to me, 'We have sinned against Yahweh; we will go up and fight, and we will follow all that Yahweh our God has commanded us to do.' Every man among you put on his weapons of war, and you were ready to attack the hill country.

UST

⁴¹ Then your ancestors replied, 'We have sinned; we have disobeyed Yahweh. So we will go and attack the people who live in that land, just as Yahweh our God has commanded us to do.' And each of their men put on his weapons, and they thought that it would be easy to invade the hill country.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 1:42**ULT**

⁴² Yahweh said to me, 'Say to them, "Do not attack and do not fight, for I will not be with you, and you will be defeated by your enemies.'

UST

⁴² But Yahweh said to me, 'Tell them, "Do not go there and attack those people, because I will not go with you, and if you go, you can be sure that your enemy will defeat you.'"

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 1:43**ULT**

⁴³ I spoke to you in this way, but you did not listen. You rebelled against the commandment of Yahweh; you were arrogant and attacked the hill country.

UST

⁴³ So I said that to your ancestors, but they did not want to listen to what I said. They again rebelled against what Yahweh commanded them to do. Their soldiers proudly marched up into that hill country.

What did the people do when Yahweh told them not to attack the hill country? (vv43-44)

They were arrogant and attacked the hill country, and the Amorites came against the men, and chased them like bees.

Deuteronomy 1:44**ULT**

⁴⁴ But the Amorites, who lived in that hill country, came out against you and chased you like bees, and struck you down in Seir, as far as Hormah.

UST

⁴⁴ Then the men of the Amor people group who lived in that region came out of their towns and attacked those soldiers. They chased your ancestors' soldiers like a swarm of bees would chase a person, and they pursued their men south from Edom and defeated them at the city of Hormah.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 1:45**ULT**

⁴⁵ You returned and wept before Yahweh; but Yahweh did not listen to your voice, nor did he pay attention to you.

UST

⁴⁵ So your ancestors went back to Kadesh Barnea and cried out to request Yahweh to help them, but he did not listen to them. He did not pay any attention to them.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 1:46**ULT**

⁴⁶ So you stayed in Kadesh many days, all the days that you stayed {there}.

UST

⁴⁶ So we stayed there at Kadesh Barnea for a long time."

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 2

Deuteronomy 2:1

ULT

¹ Then we turned and took our journey into the wilderness by the way to the Sea of Reeds, as Yahweh had spoken to me; we went around Mount Seir for many days.

UST

¹ "Then we turned around and went through the desert toward the Sea of Reeds as Yahweh told us to do, and we wandered in Edom for many years.

Where did Moses say they took their journey?

They took their journey into the wilderness, by way to the Red Sea.

Deuteronomy 2:2

ULT

² Yahweh spoke to me, saying,

UST

² Then Yahweh said to me,

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 2:3

ULT

³ 'You have gone around this mountain long enough; turn northward.

UST

³ 'You have been wandering around this hill country for a long enough time. Now turn and travel toward the north.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 2:4**ULT**

⁴ Command the people, saying, "You {are to} pass through the border of your brothers, the descendants of Esau, who live in Seir; they will be afraid of you. Therefore be careful

UST

⁴ And tell the people that they are about to travel near the land that belongs to the descendants of Esau, who are also descendants of Isaac. They live in the hill country of Edom. They will be afraid of you,

What did Yehweh command the people to be careful not to do? (vv4-5)

They were to be careful not to fight the descendants of Esau, for Yahweh would not give them any of their land.

Deuteronomy 2:5**ULT**

⁵ not to fight with them, for I will not give you {any} of their land, no, not even enough for the sole of a foot to step on; for I have given Mount Seir to Esau {as} a possession.

UST

⁵ but do not start to fight against them, because I am not going to give you even a tiny bit of their land. I have given that land to the descendants of Esau.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 2:6**ULT**

⁶ You will purchase food from them for money, so that you may eat; you will also buy water from them for money, so that you may drink.

UST

⁶ When you travel near their land, buy food and water from them.'

How were they to get food and water?

They were to buy food and water from the people of Seir so they could eat and drink.

Deuteronomy 2:7**ULT**

⁷ For Yahweh your God has blessed you in all the work of your hand; he has known your walking through this great wilderness. For these forty years Yahweh your God {has been} with you, and you have lacked nothing.”

UST

⁷ Do not forget that Yahweh our God has blessed you in everything that you have done. He knows what has happened to you while you have wandered in this huge desert. But he has been with you during those forty years, and as a result you have had everything that you needed.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 2:8**ULT**

⁸ So we passed by our brothers, the descendants of Esau who live in Seir, away from the Arabah road, from Elath and from Ezion Geber. Then we turned and passed by the way of the wilderness of Moab.

UST

⁸ So we continued to travel. We avoided going through the hill country where the descendants of Esau live. We turned from the road that goes along the plain of the Jordan valley, and comes up from Ezion Geber and Elath, and we traveled along the desert road of Moab.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 2:9**ULT**

⁹ Yahweh said to me, ‘Do not trouble Moab, and do not fight with them in battle. For I will not give you his land for your own possession, because I have given Ar to the descendants of Lot, for their possession.’

UST

⁹ Yahweh said to me, ‘Do not bother the people of Moab, and do not start to fight against them, because I am not going to give you any of their land. Do not forget that they are descendants of Abraham’s nephew Lot, and I have given to them the city of Ar.’”

What did Yahweh tell them they were not to do in Moab?

They were not to trouble Moab or fight with them because Yahweh was not giving them that land.

Deuteronomy 2:10**ULT**

¹⁰ (The Emities lived there previously, a people as great, as many, and as tall as the Anakim;

UST

¹⁰ A large group of giants called Emim formerly lived there. They were as tall as the giants who were descendants of Anak.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 2:11**ULT**

¹¹ these also are considered to be the Rephaim, like the Anakim; but the Moabites call them the Emities.

UST

¹¹ They and the descendants of Anak are also called the Repha giants, but the people of Moab call them Emim.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 2:12**ULT**

¹² The Horites also lived in Seir previously, but the descendants of Esau succeeded them. They destroyed them from before them and lived in their place, like Israel did to the land of his possession that Yahweh gave to them.)

UST

¹² The Hor people group also formerly lived in the Edom area, but the descendants of Esau chased them out. They defeated and killed them and settled in their land, just as the Israelite people later expelled their enemies from the land that Yahweh gave to them.)

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 2:13**ULT**

¹³ “Now rise up and go over the brook Zered.’ So we went over the brook Zered.

UST

¹³ Moses also said to the Israelite people, “Then we crossed the Zered Gorge, as Yahweh told us to do.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 2:14**ULT**

¹⁴ Now the days from when we came from Kadesh Barnea until we crossed the brook Zered, were thirty-eight years. It {was} by that time that all that generation of the men fit for fighting were gone from the people, as Yahweh had sworn to them.

UST

¹⁴ It had been thirty-eight years from the time we first left Kadesh Barnea until we crossed the Zered Gorge. During those years, all the Israelite fighting men of that generation died, as Yahweh had solemnly said would happen.

How long did it take Israel to go from Kadesh Barnes to the brook Zered?

It took them 38 years to go to the brook Zered.

Deuteronomy 2:15**ULT**

¹⁵ Moreover, the hand of Yahweh was against that generation in order to destroy them from the people until they were gone.

UST

¹⁵ They died because Yahweh opposed them until he had gotten rid of all of them.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 2:16**ULT**

¹⁶ So it happened, when all the men fit for fighting were dead and gone from among the people,

UST

¹⁶ After all the men who had been old enough to fight in wars had died,

What happened to all the men who were fit for fighting?

All the men who were fit for fighting were dead and gone from among the people.

Deuteronomy 2:17**ULT**

¹⁷ that Yahweh spoke to me, saying,

UST

¹⁷ Yahweh said to me,

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 2:18**ULT**

¹⁸ 'You are today to pass over Ar, the border of Moab.

UST

¹⁸ 'Today you all must travel through the region of Moab, near Ar, their city.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 2:19**ULT**

¹⁹ {When} you come near opposite the people of Ammon, do not trouble them or fight them; for I will not give you {any} of the land of the people of Ammon {as} a possession; because I have given it to the descendants of Lot {as} a possession."

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¹⁹ When you come near the border of the land where the Ammon people group live, do not bother them or start to fight against them. They are also descendants of Lot, so I am not going to give you any of the land that I have given to them."

To whom had Yahweh given the land of the people of Ammon?

Yahweh had given that land to the descendants of Lot.

Deuteronomy 2:20**ULT**

²⁰ (That also is considered to be a land of the Rephaim. The Rephaim lived there previously—but the Ammonites call them Zamzummim—

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²⁰ (That region is also called the land of the Repha giants, who formerly lived there. The Ammon people group call them the Zamzum group.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 2:21**ULT**

²¹ a people as great, as many, and as tall as the Anakim. But Yahweh destroyed them before the Ammonites, and they succeeded them and lived in their place.

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²¹ They were a large and powerful group, who were as tall as the descendants of Anak. But Yahweh destroyed them, and the Ammon people group drove them away and took their land from them and started to live there.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 2:22**ULT**

²² This Yahweh also did for the people of Esau, who live in Seir, when he destroyed the Horites from before them, and the descendants of Esau succeeded them and have lived in their place even until today.

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²² Yahweh had done the same thing for the descendants of Esau who live in the hill country of Edom. He got rid of the Hor people group, with the result that the Edom people group took their land from them and started to live there. They still live there.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 2:23**ULT**

²³ As for the Avvites who lived in villages as far as Gaza, the Caphtorim, who came from Caphtor, destroyed them and settled in their place.)

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²³ People who came from the island of Crete got rid of the Av group who previously lived in the land close to the Mediterranean Sea, as far south as Gaza. They took their land from them and started to live there.)

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 2:24**ULT**

²⁴ "Now rise up, go on your journey, and pass over the Valley of the Arnon; look, I have given into your hand Sihon the Amorite, king of Heshbon, and his land. Begin to possess {it}, and fight with him in battle.

UST

²⁴ "After we had gone through the region of Moab, Yahweh said to us, 'Now cross the Arnon River. I will help you to defeat the army of Sihon, the king of the Amor people group, who lives in the city of Heshbon. So attack their army and start to take their land from them.'

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 2:25**ULT**

²⁵ Today I will begin to put the fear and terror of you on the peoples that are under the whole sky; they will hear news about you and will tremble and be in anguish because of you.'

UST

²⁵ Today I will begin to cause everyone, everywhere, to be afraid of you. Everyone who hears about you will tremble and be terrified.'

What will the people of the land do when they hear news about the Israelites?

They will tremble and be in anguish because of the Israelites.

Deuteronomy 2:26**ULT**

²⁶ I sent messengers from the wilderness of Kedemoth to Sihon, king of Heshbon, with words of peace, saying,

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²⁶ Then I sent messengers to go from the desert, where we were, to King Sihon at Heshbon. I told them to give this peaceful message to the king:

What words of peace did Moses send to the King of Hashbon? (vv26-27)

Moses asked that he be allowed to pass through the land on the highway, not turning to the right or left.

Deuteronomy 2:27**ULT**

²⁷ 'Let me pass through your land; I will go along the highway; I will turn neither to the right hand nor to the left.

UST

²⁷ 'Please allow us to travel through your land. We promise that we will stay on the road; we will not turn off to the right or to the left.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 2:28**ULT**

²⁸ You will sell me food for money, so that I may eat; give me water for money, so that I may drink; only let me pass through on my feet;

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²⁸ We will pay for any food or water that you allow us to buy. We want only to walk through your country

What did Moses plan to get food and water for the people? (vv28-29)

He asked the king of Hashbon to sell him food and water for money so they could eat and drink.

Deuteronomy 2:29**ULT**

²⁹ as the descendants of Esau who live in Seir, and as the Moabites who live in Ar, did for me; until I pass over the Jordan into the land that Yahweh our God is giving us.'

UST

²⁹ until we cross the Jordan River into the land that Yahweh our God is giving to us. Do for us just as the descendants of Esau who live in the Edom area and the Moab people group did for us when they allowed us to go through their areas.'

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 2:30**ULT**

³⁰ But Sihon, king of Heshbon, would not let us pass by him; for Yahweh your God had hardened his mind and made his heart obstinate, that he might defeat him by your might, which he has now done today.

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³⁰ But King Sihon would not allow us to go through his country. That was because Yahweh our God caused him to be stubborn. The result was that Yahweh enabled us to defeat his army and take his land, which we still live in.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 2:31**ULT**

³¹ Yahweh said to me, 'Look, I have begun to deliver up Sihon and his land before you; begin to possess {it}, in order that you may inherit his land.'

UST

³¹ Yahweh said to me, 'Listen! I am about to allow you to defeat Sihon's army and to take the people's land from them. So start to occupy it!'

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 2:32**ULT**

³² Then Sihon came out against us, he and all his people, to fight at Jahaz.

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³² Then Sihon came out of the city with all his army to fight against us at the town of Jahaz.

What happened when Sihon came out against Moses? (vv32-33)

Yahweh gave him over to Moses and they defeated him, killing him, his sons and all his people.

Deuteronomy 2:33**ULT**

³³ Yahweh our God gave him over to us and we defeated him and his sons and all his people.

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³³ But God enabled us to defeat them, and we killed Sihon, his sons, and all his soldiers.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 2:34**ULT**

³⁴ We took all his cities at that time and completely destroyed every city—men and the women and the little ones; we left no survivor.

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³⁴ We captured their cities and destroyed them all. We killed all the men and women and children; we did not allow any of them to remain alive.

What happened to all the inhabited cities?

Moses took all the king's cities and destroyed them, including women and children; none were left remaining.

Deuteronomy 2:35**ULT**

³⁵ Only the cattle we took as spoils for ourselves, along with the spoil of the cities that we had taken.

UST

³⁵ We took the valuable things that were in the cities that we captured, and also their cattle.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 2:36**ULT**

³⁶ From Aroer, which {is} on the edge of the Valley of the Arnon, and {from} the city that {is} in the valley, all the way to Gilead, there was not a city too high for us. Yahweh our God gave them into our hands.

UST

³⁶ Yahweh our God enabled us to capture all their towns from Aroer in the south, which is at the edge of the Arnon River Valley, to the region of Gilead in the north. Some of their cities had walls around them, but we were still able to capture them.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 2:37**ULT**

³⁷ It was only to the land of the descendants of Ammon that you did not go, as well as all the side of the Jabbok River, and the cities of the hill country—wherever Yahweh our God had forbidden us to go.

UST

³⁷ But we did not go near the area where the Ammon people group live, or the banks of the Jabbok River, or the towns of the hill country, or any other place where Yahweh our God told us not to go.”

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 3

Deuteronomy 3:1

ULT

¹ Then we turned and went up the way to Bashan. Og, the king of Bashan, came and attacked us, he and all his people, to fight at Edrei.

UST

¹ "Then we turned north and went toward the region of Bashan. Og, the king of that area, and all his soldiers marched south to fight against us at the city of Edrei.

What did Og, the king of Bashan do to Israel as they approached his land?

On the way to Bashan, the king of Bashan and all his people came and attacked Israel.

Deuteronomy 3:2

ULT

² Yahweh said to me, 'Do not fear him; for I have given you victory over him and have put all his people and his land under your control. You will do to him as you did to Sihon, king of the Amorites, who lived at Heshbon.'

UST

² Yahweh said to me, 'Do not be afraid of him, because I will enable your army to defeat him and all his army and to capture all their land. Do to him what you did to Sihon, the king of the Amor people group, who ruled in Heshbon.'

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 3:3

ULT

³ So Yahweh our God also gave us victory over Og the king of Bashan, and all his people were put under our control. We struck them down until not one of his people remained.

UST

³ So Yahweh enabled us to defeat King Og and all his army. We killed them all; we did not allow any of them to remain alive.

What did Israel do to the king of Bashan and his people? (vv3-4)

They struck the king of Bashan dead until not one of his people remained, and took all his cities.

Deuteronomy 3:4**ULT**

⁴ We took all his cities at that time. There was not one of the sixty cities that we did not take from them—all the region of Argob, the kingdom of Og in Bashan.

UST

⁴ There were sixty cities in that region of Argob, in King Og's kingdom of Bashan. But we captured all of them.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 3:5**ULT**

⁵ These were all cities fortified with high walls, gates, and bars; this was besides very many unwalled villages.

UST

⁵ All those cities had high walls around them with gates and bars. We also captured many villages that did not have walls around them.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 3:6**ULT**

⁶ We completely destroyed them, as we did to Sihon king of Heshbon, completely destroying every city—men and the women and the little ones.

UST

⁶ We completely destroyed everything, just as we had done in the area that King Sihon ruled. We killed all the men, women, and children.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 3:7**ULT**

⁷ But all the cattle and the spoil of the cities, we took as spoils for ourselves.

UST

⁷ But from those cities we took for ourselves all the livestock and other valuable things.

What did Israel do with the cattle and the spoils of the cities?

They took for themselves all the cattle and the spoil of the cities.

Deuteronomy 3:8**ULT**

⁸ At that time we took the land out of the hand of the two kings of the Amorites, who were beyond the Jordan, from the Valley of the Arnon to Mount Hermon

UST

⁸ So at that time we took from those two kings of the Amor people group all the land east of the Jordan River, from the Arnon River gorge in the south to Mount Hermon in the north."

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 3:9**ULT**

⁹ (Mount Hermon is called Sirion by the Sidonians, and the Amorites call it Senir)

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⁹ (That mountain is called Sirion by the people of the city of Sidon and is called Senir by the Amor people group.)

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 3:10**ULT**

¹⁰ and all the cities of the plain, all Gilead, and all Bashan, all the way to Salekah and Edrei, cities of the kingdom of Og in Bashan."

UST

¹⁰ "We captured all the towns on the plateau, and all the region of Gilead, and all of Bashan as far east as the cities of Edrei and Salekah, which also belonged to Og's kingdom."

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 3:11**ULT**

¹¹ (For of the remnant of the Rephaim, only Og king of Bashan had remained. Look! His bed {was} a bed of iron. Was it not in Rabbah, where the descendants of Ammon live? It was nine cubits long and four cubits wide, the way people measure.)

UST

¹¹ (Og was the last king who was a descendant of the Repha giants. His bed was made of iron. It was four meters long and two meters wide. It was in the city of Rabbah in the region of Ammon.)

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 3:12**ULT**

¹² "This land that we took in possession at that time—from Aroer, that {is} by the Valley of the Arnon, and half the hill country of Gilead, and its cities—I gave to the Reubenites and to the Gadites.

UST

¹² "From the land that we captured at that time, I allotted to the tribes of Reuben and Gad the land north of the city of Aroer near the Arnon River, and some of the hill country of Gilead, along with the nearby cities.

To whom did Moses give the land that they had taken possession? (vv12-13)

He gave it to the Reubenites and the Gadites and the half tribe of Manasseh.

Deuteronomy 3:13**ULT**

¹³ The rest of Gilead and all Bashan, the kingdom of Og, I gave to the half tribe of Manasseh. (All the region of Argob, and all Bashan. The same territory is called the land of Rephaim.

UST

¹³ The other part of Gilead and all of Bashan, which was the region of Argob that King Og had ruled, I allotted to half of the tribe of Manasseh." (The entire region of Bashan is called the land of the Repha giants.)

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 3:14**ULT**

¹⁴ Jair, a descendant of Manasseh, took all the region of Argob to the border of the Geshurites and the Maakathites. He called the region, even Bashan, by his own name, Havvoth Jair, to this day.)

UST

¹⁴ "Jair, a man from the tribe of Manasseh, conquered all of Bashan as far north as the border of the Geshur and Maacath territories. He gave his own name to the villages there, and they are still called the villages of Jair.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 3:15**ULT**

¹⁵ I gave Gilead to Machir.

UST

¹⁵ The northern part of the Gilead region I allotted to the Machir clan, who are descendants of the tribe of Manasseh.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 3:16**ULT**

¹⁶ To the Reubenites and to the Gadites I gave territory from Gilead to the Valley of the Arnon—the middle of the valley is the territory's border—and to the Jabbok River, which is the border with the descendants of Ammon.

UST

¹⁶ I allotted to the tribes of Reuben and Gad the southern part of Gilead, extending south to the Arnon River. The middle of the river is the southern boundary. The northern boundary is the Jabbok River, which is part of the border of region of Ammon.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 3:17**ULT**

¹⁷ Another of its borders is also the plain of the Jordan River valley, from Kinnereth to the Sea of the Arabah (that is, the Salt Sea) to the slopes of Mount Pisgah eastward.

UST

¹⁷ The border extends from the plain along the east side of the Jordan valley, from Kinnereth in the north (known as the Sea of Galilee), to the Sea of Arabah (known as the Dead Sea) in the south, and to the slopes of Mount Pisgah on the east.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 3:18**ULT**

¹⁸ I commanded you at that time, saying, 'Yahweh your God has given you this land to possess it; you, all the men of war, will pass over armed before your brothers, the people of Israel.

UST

¹⁸ At that time, I told you three tribes, 'Yahweh our God is giving you this land east of the Jordan River, for you to occupy. So now, your soldiers must take their weapons and go across the Jordan River ahead of the men from the other Israelite tribes to help them to conquer the land that God is going to give to them.

What did Moses command the men of war of the the Reubenites and the Gadites and the half tribe of Manasseh to do?

He commanded them to pass over armed before their brothers, the people of Israel.

Deuteronomy 3:19**ULT**

¹⁹ But your wives, your little ones, and your cattle (I know that you have much cattle), will stay in your cities that I have given you,

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¹⁹ But your wives and children and your very numerous cattle must stay in the towns that I have allotted to you.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 3:20**ULT**

²⁰ until Yahweh gives rest to your brothers, as he has to you, until they also possess the land that Yahweh your God is giving them beyond the Jordan; then will you return, every man of you, to your own property that I have given you.'

UST

²⁰ Your men must help your fellow Israelites until Yahweh enables them to live there peacefully after they capture all the land that Yahweh our God is giving to them on the west side of the Jordan River, just like he did for you here on the east side of the river. After that, you all may return to this land that I have allotted to you.'

When did Yahweh say the the Reubenites and the Gadites and the half tribe of Manasseh could return to their own property?

Yahweh said they could return after Yahweh gave rest to their brothers, until they also possess their land.

Deuteronomy 3:21**ULT**

²¹ I commanded Joshua at that time, saying, 'Your eyes have seen all that Yahweh your God has done to these two kings; Yahweh will do the same to all the kingdoms where you go over.

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²¹ And I told Joshua, 'You have seen everything that Yahweh our God did to those two kings, Sihon and Og. He will do the same thing to the people who are now in the land that you will be entering.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 3:22**ULT**

²² You will not fear them, for Yahweh your God is the one who will fight for you.'

UST

²² Do not be afraid of those people, because Yahweh our God is the one who will fight for you all.'"

What did Moses tell Joshua not to do?

He told Joshua not to fear the enemy because Yahweh would be the one who would fight for him.

Deuteronomy 3:23**ULT**

²³ I implored Yahweh at that time, saying,

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²³ "At that time, I earnestly prayed, saying

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 3:24**ULT**

²⁴ 'O Lord Yahweh, you have begun to show your servant your greatness and your strong hand; for what god is there in heaven or in earth that can do the same works as you have done, and the same mighty acts?

UST

²⁴ 'Yahweh our Lord, you have merely begun to show me that you are very great and to show me the powerful things that you can do. There is certainly no god in heaven or on earth who can do the powerful things that you have done.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 3:25**ULT**

²⁵ Let me go over, I beg you, and see the good land that is beyond the Jordan, that good hill country, and also Lebanon.'

UST

²⁵ So please allow me to cross the Jordan River and to see the good land on the east side, the beautiful hill country and the mountains in Lebanon.'

Where did Moses beg to go and see?

He begged Yahweh to let him go and see the good land beyond Jordan and also Lebanon.

Deuteronomy 3:26**ULT**

²⁶ But Yahweh was angry with me because of you; he did not listen to me. Yahweh said to me, 'Let this be enough for you—speak no more to me about this matter:

UST

²⁶ But Yahweh was angry with me because of what your ancestors had done, so he would not pay attention to me. Instead, he said, 'That is enough talk from you! Do not talk to me about that again!

How did Yahweh answer Moses' request to go and see the land?

Yahweh was angry with him because of the people and and did not listen to Moses.

Deuteronomy 3:27**ULT**

²⁷ go up to the top of Pisgah and lift up your eyes westward, northward, southward, and eastward; look with your eyes, for you will not go over the Jordan.

UST

²⁷ You will climb up to the top of Mount Pisgah and look toward the west and to the east, toward the north and to the south. You must look at it all carefully, because you will not cross the Jordan River to see the land from there.

What did Yahweh do to allow Mosses to see the land?

Yahweh told him to go up to the top of Pisgah and lift his eyes all around him for he would not go over the Jordan.

Deuteronomy 3:28**ULT**

²⁸ Instead, instruct Joshua and encourage and strengthen him, for he will go over before this people, and he will cause them to inherit the land that you will see.'

UST

²⁸ But tell Joshua what he must do; encourage him to be strong, because he is the one who will lead the people across the river so they can occupy the land that you will see from the top of the mountain.'

What did Yahweh tell Moses to do for Joshua? (vv28-29)

He told Moses to instruct Joshua, encourage and strengthen him, because he would go over before the people and will cause them to inherit the land that you see.

Deuteronomy 3:29

ULT

²⁹ So we stayed in the valley opposite Beth Peor.

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²⁹ So we remained in the Jordan River valley close to the town of Beth Peor.”

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 4

Deuteronomy 4:1

ULT

¹ Now therefore, Israel, listen to the statutes and the judgments that I am about to teach you, to do them so that you may live and go in and possess the land that Yahweh, the God of your fathers, is giving you.

UST

¹ "Now, you Israelite people, obey all the rules and regulations that I will teach you. If you do that, you will remain alive and you will enter and occupy the land that Yahweh, the God whom your ancestors worshiped, is giving to you.

What must the people of Israel do so that they may live, and go in and possess the land that Yahweh is giving them?

They must listen and obey the laws that Moses is going to teach them so that they may possess the land.

Deuteronomy 4:2

ULT

² You will not add to the words that I command you, neither will you diminish them, so that you may keep the commandments of Yahweh your God that I am commanding you.

UST

² Do not add anything to what I command you, and do not take anything away from what I tell you. Obey all the commands of Yahweh our God that I am giving to you.

What must the people not do?

They must not add to nor diminish the words that Moses commanded them so they may keep the commandments of Yahweh.

Deuteronomy 4:3

ULT

³ Your eyes have seen what Yahweh did because of Baal Peor; for all the men who walked after the Baal of Peor, Yahweh your God has destroyed them from among you.

UST

³ You have seen what Yahweh did at Baal Peor. He destroyed all the people who worshiped the god Baal there,

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 4:4**ULT**

⁴ But you who clung to Yahweh your God {are} alive today, every one of you.

UST

⁴ but all of you who faithfully continued to worship Yahweh our God are still alive today.

What men did Yahweh destroy?

Yahweh destroyed the men that followed Baal Peor.

Deuteronomy 4:5**ULT**

⁵ Look, I have taught you statutes and judgments, as Yahweh my God had commanded me, that you should do so in the midst of the land which you are going into in order to possess it.

UST

⁵ Note that I have taught you all the rules and regulations, just like Yahweh our God told me to do. He wants you to obey them when you are living in the land that you are about to enter and occupy.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 4:6**ULT**

⁶ So, keep them and do {them}; for this is your wisdom and your understanding in the sight of the peoples who may hear about all these statutes and may say, 'Surely this great nation is a wise and understanding people.'

UST

⁶ Obey them faithfully because, if you do that, you will show the people of other nations that you are very wise. When they hear about all these laws, they will say, 'The people of this great nation of Israel are certainly very wise!'

Why should Israel keep the laws that Moses commanded them?

They should keep and do them so that they will have wisdom and understanding in the sight of the peoples.

Deuteronomy 4:7**ULT**

⁷ For what other great nation {is} there that has a god {so} near to them, as Yahweh our God is whenever we call upon him?

UST

⁷ Even if other nations are great, there is none of them that has a god who is as near to them as Yahweh our God is to us!

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 4:8**ULT**

⁸ And, what other great nation {is} there that has statutes and judgments so righteous as all this law that I am giving before you today?

UST

⁸ And there is no other nation, even if it is a great nation, that has laws that are as just as the laws that I am speaking to you today.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 4:9**ULT**

⁹ Only carefully guard yourself and vigilantly guard your inner being, lest you forget the words which your eyes have seen, lest they leave your mind all the days of your life. Rather, make them known to your children and your children's children.

UST

⁹ But be very careful! Do not forget what you have seen God do. Remember those things as long as you are alive. Tell them to your children and your grandchildren.

Why should the people pay attention and guard their soul? (vv9-10)

They should pay attention and guard their soul so they do not forget what they have seen, but keep those things in their hearts and make them known to their children and their children's children.

Deuteronomy 4:10**ULT**

¹⁰ On the day that you stood before Yahweh your God at Horeb, when Yahweh said to me, 'Assemble for me the people, and I will make them hear my words, that they may learn to fear me all the days that they live on the earth, and that they may teach their children.'

UST

¹⁰ Tell them about the day that your ancestors stood in the presence of Yahweh our God at Mount Sinai, when he said to me, 'Gather the people together, in order that they can hear what I say. I want them to learn to respect me and honor me for me as long as they are alive, and I want them to teach their children to do that also.'

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 4:11**ULT**

¹¹ You came near and stood at the foot of the mountain. The mountain burned with fire to the heart of heaven, with darkness, cloud, and thick darkness.

UST

¹¹ Tell your children that your ancestors came near to the foot of the mountain, while the mountain burned with a fire that went up to the sky, and the mountain was covered with dark clouds and black smoke.

What did the people hear out of the middle of the fire on the mountain? (vv11-12)

They heard Yahweh's voice out of the middle of the fire, but saw no form.

Deuteronomy 4:12**ULT**

¹² Yahweh spoke to you out of the middle of the fire; you heard the voice with its words, but you saw no form; you {only} heard a voice.

UST

¹² Then Yahweh spoke to your ancestors out of the middle of the fire. Your ancestors heard him speak, but they did not see him. They only heard his voice.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 4:13**ULT**

¹³ He declared to you his covenant that he commanded you to perform, the Ten Commandments. He wrote them on two tablets of stone.

UST

¹³ And he declared to them his covenant that he wants you also to obey. He gave them the Ten Commandments. He wrote those on two stone tablets.

What was the covenant that Yahweh commanded them to perform and on what was it written?

Yahweh commanded Moses to teach them the Ten Commandments that were written on two tablets of stone.

Deuteronomy 4:14**ULT**

¹⁴ Yahweh commanded me at that time to teach you statutes and rules, so that you might do them in the land that you are crossing over to take possession of it.

UST

¹⁴ Yahweh commanded me to teach all the rules and regulations to you, in order that you would obey them in the land that you are about to enter and occupy.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 4:15**ULT**

¹⁵ So take great heed to yourselves—for you saw no kind of form on the day that Yahweh spoke to you at Horeb out of the middle of the fire—

UST

¹⁵ On the day that Yahweh spoke to your ancestors at Mount Sinai, they did not see him. So be careful!

What were the people told not to do? (vv15-18)

They were told to not corrupt themselves by making carved figures of any form, including men, women, birds, things that creep, and fish.

Deuteronomy 4:16**ULT**

¹⁶ that you do not corrupt yourselves and by making a carved image in the form of any figure, in the likeness of male or female,

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¹⁶ Do not sin by making for yourselves any carved figure! Do not make anything that resembles the likeness of any person, either a man or a woman,

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 4:17**ULT**

¹⁷ the likeness of any animal on the earth, the likeness of any winged bird that flies in the heavens,

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¹⁷ or that resembles any animal or any bird

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 4:18**ULT**

¹⁸ the likeness of anything that creeps on the ground, or the likeness of any fish that {is} in the water under the earth.

UST

¹⁸ or any reptile or any fish in the deep ocean.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 4:19**ULT**

¹⁹ You shall not lift your eyes up to the heavens and look at the sun, the moon, or the stars—all the host of the heavens—and be drawn away to worship them and adore them—those things of which Yahweh your God has given a share all the peoples under the whole sky.

UST

¹⁹ And be careful to not look up toward the sky and be tempted to worship anything that you see there—the sun or the moon or the stars. Yahweh our God has given those to help all people everywhere, but you must not worship them.

Why did Moses tell the people to be careful about the sun, moon and stars?

He told them that they should be careful to not be drawn away to worship the heavens, sun, moon, or stars.

Deuteronomy 4:20**ULT**

²⁰ But Yahweh has taken you and brought you out of the iron furnace, out of Egypt, to be to him a people of his own inheritance, as you are today.

UST

²⁰ Yahweh has brought your ancestors out of Egypt, where they were suffering as though they were in a blazing furnace, in order that they would be people who belong to him, which is what you are today.

Why did Yahweh bring the people out of the iron furnace, Egypt?

He brought them out of Egypt to be a people of his own inheritance.

Deuteronomy 4:21**ULT**

²¹ Yahweh was angry with me because of you; he swore that I should not go over the Jordan, and that I should not go into that good land, the land that Yahweh your God is giving to you as an inheritance.

UST

²¹ But Yahweh was angry with me because of what your ancestors did. And he promised that I would never enter the land that he is giving to you.

What did Yahweh do to Moses because he was angry with Moses? (vv21-22)

He would not let Moses go into the good land over Jordan, but Moses must die outside the land.

Deuteronomy 4:22**ULT**

²² Instead, I must die in this land; I must not go over the Jordan; but you will go over and possess that good land.

UST

²² He swore that I would die here in this land and never cross the Jordan River. But you will go across it, and you will occupy that land.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 4:23**ULT**

²³ Pay attention to yourselves, so that you do not forget the covenant of Yahweh your God, which he made with you, and make for yourselves a carved image in the form of anything that Yahweh your God has forbidden you to make.

UST

²³ Be sure that you do not forget the covenant that Yahweh our God made with you, and do not make a carved figure in the likeness of anything he has forbidden you.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 4:24**ULT**

²⁴ For Yahweh your God is a devouring fire, a jealous God.

UST

²⁴ You must not do that because Yahweh your God wants everyone to worship him alone. He will destroy anyone who worships idols.

Why did Yahweh forbidden Israel to make any carved image?

Yahweh their God is a devouring fire, a jealous God.

Deuteronomy 4:25**ULT**

²⁵ When you beget children and children's children, and when you will have been in the land for a long time, and if you corrupt yourselves and make a carved figure in the form of anything, and do what is evil in the sight of Yahweh your God, to provoke him to anger—

UST

²⁵ When you have been in the land of Canaan for a long time and you have children and grandchildren, do not sin by making a carved figure that represents anything, because Yahweh says that is evil, and if you do that, you will cause him to become angry with you and punish you.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 4:26**ULT**

²⁶ I call heaven and earth to witness against you today that you will soon utterly perish from off the land that you are going over the Jordan to possess; you will not prolong {your} days in it, but you will be completely destroyed.

UST

²⁶ Today I am requesting everyone who is in heaven and everyone who is on the earth to watch what you are doing. If you disobey what I am telling you, you will soon all die in the land that you will be crossing the Jordan River to occupy. You will not live very long there; Yahweh will completely get rid of many of you.

What does Moses say will happen if the people corrupt themselves and do evil in Yahweh's sight?

They will perish from the land over the Jordan, and be completely destroyed.

Deuteronomy 4:27**ULT**

²⁷ Yahweh will scatter you among the peoples, and you will be left few in number among the nations, where Yahweh will lead you away.

UST

²⁷ And the rest of you, Yahweh will force you to go and live among the people of many other nations. Only a few of you will survive there.

What does Moses say Yahweh will do to the people? (vv27-28)

Yahweh will scatter the people and they will be few in number among the nations where they will serve gods made of wood and stone.

Deuteronomy 4:28**ULT**

²⁸ There you will serve other gods, the work of men's hands, wood and stone, which neither see, hear, eat, nor smell.

UST

²⁸ When you are in those nations, you will worship gods that are made of wood and stone, gods made by humans, gods that cannot see anything or hear anything or eat anything or smell anything.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 4:29**ULT**

²⁹ But from there you will seek Yahweh your God, and you will find {him}, when you search after him with all your heart and with all your soul.

UST

²⁹ But while you are there, you will try to know Yahweh your God, and if you try with your entire heart to know him, he will answer you.

When will the people find Yahweh?

They will find him when they search after him with all their heart and all their soul.

Deuteronomy 4:30**ULT**

³⁰ When you are in distress, and when all these things will have come on you, in those later days you will return to Yahweh your God and listen to his voice.

UST

³⁰ In the future, when you are being mistreated there and all those bad things happen to you, you will again worship only Yahweh and obey him.

What will make the people return to Yahweh their God and listen to his voice?

When they are in distress, and when all the things have come on them they will return to Yahweh.

Deuteronomy 4:31**ULT**

³¹ For Yahweh your God {is} a merciful God; he will not fail you nor destroy you, nor forget the covenant of your fathers that he swore to them.

UST

³¹ Yahweh is a God who acts mercifully. If you continue to obey him, he will not abandon you or destroy you or forget the agreement that he solemnly made with your ancestors."

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 4:32**ULT**

³² Ask now about the days that are past, which were before your time, since the day that God created man on the earth, {ask} from one end of heaven to the other, whether there has been {anything} so great as this, or has anything like it {ever} been heard?

UST

³² "Now think about the past, about the time before you were born, about all the time since God first created people here on the earth. You could search everywhere, in heaven and on the earth. Has anything like this ever happened that is as great as what Yahweh did for us Israelite people?

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 4:33**ULT**

³³ Did ever a people hear the voice of God speaking out of the midst of the fire, as you have heard, and live?

UST

³³ Has any group ever remained alive after they heard a god speak to them from the middle of a fire, like we did?

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 4:34**ULT**

³⁴ Or has God ever attempted to go and take for himself a nation from the midst of {another} nation, by trials, by signs, and by wonders, and by war, and by a mighty hand, and by an outstretched arm, and by great terrors, as everything that Yahweh your God did for you in Egypt before your eyes?

UST

³⁴ Certainly God has never before tried to take a huge group of people from one nation to another location, like he did for us when he brought us out of Egypt. We saw Yahweh our God use his great power to do miracles to show us who he is, and sent plagues, and did many other things that terrified people, and how he rescued us when the army of Egypt tried to attack us.

What did God do for the people when they were in Egypt?

God took him a nation from the midst of another nation, by trials, signs, wonders, war, a mighty hand, a display of great power, and great terrors.

Deuteronomy 4:35**ULT**

³⁵ To you these things were shown, so that you might know that Yahweh is God, and that there is no one else besides him.

UST

³⁵ Yahweh showed all these things to you, in order that you would know that only he is truly God, and that there is no other God.

What did Yahweh make happen to the people so they would know he is God? (vv35-36)

He made them hear his voice out of the heavens, and on earth he made them see his great fire.

Deuteronomy 4:36**ULT**

³⁶ Out of heaven he made you to hear his voice, so that he might instruct you; on earth he made you see his great fire; you heard his words out of the midst of the fire.

UST

³⁶ He allowed your ancestors to hear him speak from heaven in order that he could discipline them. Here on the earth he allowed them to see his great fire on Mount Sinai, and he spoke to them from the middle of the fire.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 4:37**ULT**

³⁷ Because he loved your fathers, he chose their descendants after them, and brought you out of Egypt with his presence, with his great power;

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³⁷ Because he loved our ancestors, he chose you Israelites who are their descendants, and by his great power he brought your ancestors out of Egypt.

What did Yahweh do for Israel because he loved their fathers? (vv37-38)

He chose their descendants, brought them out of Egypt with his presence and power. He gave them their land after driving out the greater nations.

Deuteronomy 4:38**ULT**

³⁸ in order to drive out from before you nations greater and mightier than you, to bring you in, to give you their land as an inheritance, as today.

UST

³⁸ As they traveled, he expelled the people of nations that were greater and more powerful than they were, in order that they could capture their land and cause it to become yours, which is what is happening now.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 4:39**ULT**

³⁹ Know therefore today, and lay it on your heart, that Yahweh is God in heaven above and on the earth beneath; {there is} no one else.

UST

³⁹ So today you should think about the fact that Yahweh is God, that he rules in heaven and also on the earth, and that there is no other god.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 4:40**ULT**

⁴⁰ You will keep his statutes and his commandments that I command you today, that it may go well with you and with your children after you, and that you may prolong {your} days in the land that Yahweh your God is giving you forever.”

UST

⁴⁰ Obey all the rules and regulations that I am giving to you today, in order that things will go well for you and for your descendants, and that you will live a long time in the land that Yahweh our God is giving to you, for it to belong to you forever.”

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 4:41**ULT**

⁴¹ Then Moses selected three cities on the east side of the Jordan,

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⁴¹ Then Moses chose three cities that are on the east side of the Jordan River.

Where could a person flee if he killed another person accidentally? (vv41-42)

He could flee to one of the three cities that Moses had selected on the east side of the Jordan river.

Deuteronomy 4:42**ULT**

⁴² so that anyone might flee to one of them if he killed another person accidentally, without being his enemy previously. By fleeing to one of these cities, he might survive.

UST

⁴² If someone accidentally killed another person, a person who had not been his enemy previously, he could escape to one of those cities. He would be safe in one of those cities because the people there would protect him.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 4:43**ULT**

⁴³ They were: Bezer in the wilderness, the plain country, for the Reubenites; Ramoth in Gilead, for the Gadites; and Golan in Bashan, for the Manassites.

UST

⁴³ For the tribe of Reuben, Moses chose the city of Bezer in the wilderness; for the tribe of Gad, he chose the city of Ramoth in the region of Gilead. For the tribe of Manasseh, Moses chose the city of Golan in the region of Bashan.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 4:44**ULT**

⁴⁴ This is the law that Moses placed before the people of Israel;

UST

⁴⁴ Moses gave God's laws to the Israelite people.

What did Moses place before the people of Israel? (vv44-45)

He placed the law; covenant decrees, laws, and other decrees that he spoke to them when they came out of Egypt.

Deuteronomy 4:45**ULT**

⁴⁵ these {are} the covenant decrees, laws, and other decrees that he spoke to the people of Israel when they came out of Egypt,

UST

⁴⁵ They included all the solemn commands, instructions and laws that Moses spoke to the people of Israel after they had come out of Egypt,

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 4:46**ULT**

⁴⁶ when they were east of the Jordan, in the valley opposite Beth Peor, in the land of Sihon, king of the Amorites, who had lived at Heshbon, whom Moses and the people of Israel had defeated when they came out of Egypt.

UST

⁴⁶ when they were in the valley east of the Jordan River. They were across from the town of Beth Peor, in the land that previously was ruled by Sihon, the king of the Amor people group, who lived in Heshbon. Moses and the other Israelites had defeated his army when they came out of Egypt.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 4:47**ULT**

⁴⁷ They took his land as a possession, and the land of Og king of Bashan—these, the two kings of the Amorites, who {were} beyond the Jordan toward the east.

UST

⁴⁷ They captured Sihon's land and the land that Og, the king of the region of Bashan, had ruled. Those were the two kings who ruled the Amor people group in the area east of the Jordan River.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 4:48**ULT**

⁴⁸ This territory went from Aroer, on the edge of the Valley of the Arnon, to Mount Sion (or Mount Hermon),

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⁴⁸ Their land extended from the city of Aroer in the south along the Arnon River, as far north as Mount Sirion, which most people call Mount Hermon.

How far did the land of the two kings of the Amorites extend? (vv48-49)

This territory went from Aroer, on the edge of the valley of the Arnon, to Mount Sion (or Mount Hermon), and included all of the plain of the Jordan River valley, eastward beyond the Jordan, to the Sea of the Arabah, to the slopes of Mount Pisgah.

Deuteronomy 4:49

ULT

⁴⁹ and included all of the plain of the Jordan River valley, eastward beyond the Jordan, to the Sea of the Arabah, to the slopes of Mount Pisgah.

UST

⁴⁹ It also included all the area in the plain east of the Jordan River valley, extending to the Sea of Arabah (known as the Dead Sea) and east to the slopes of Mount Pisgah.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 5

Deuteronomy 5:1

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¹ Moses called to all Israel and said to them, "Listen, Israel, to the statutes and the decrees that I will speak in your ears today, that you may learn them and keep them.

UST

¹ Moses summoned all the people of Israel and said to them, "You Israelite people, listen to all the rules and decrees that I am giving to you today. Learn them and be sure to obey them.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 5:2

ULT

² Yahweh our God made a covenant with us at Horeb.

UST

² When we were at Mount Sinai, Yahweh our God made a covenant with us.

With whom did Yahweh make a covenant at Horeb? (vv2-3)

Yahweh made a covenant with Israel at Horeb, not with their ancestors, but with the ones alive.

Deuteronomy 5:3

ULT

³ Yahweh did not make this covenant with our ancestors, but with us, all of us alive here today.

UST

³ But this covenant was not only for our ancestors. He made it also for us, who are alive now.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 5:4**ULT**

⁴ Yahweh spoke with you face to face on the mount out of the middle of the fire

UST

⁴ Yahweh spoke with us face to face on that mountain, from the middle of the fire.

Why did Moses stand between Yahweh and the people when Yahweh revealed his word to them? (vv4-5)

Because they were afraid of the fire from which God was speaking.

Deuteronomy 5:5**ULT**

⁵ (I stood between Yahweh and you at that time, to reveal to you his word; for you were afraid because of the fire, and you did not go up the mountain). Yahweh said,

UST

⁵ On that day, I stood between your ancestors and Yahweh to tell them what he said, because they were afraid of the fire, and they did not want to climb up the mountain. This is what Yahweh said:

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 5:6**ULT**

⁶ I {am} Yahweh your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery.

UST

⁶ I am Yahweh your God, the one you worship. I am the one who brought you out of the land of Egypt. I am the one who freed you from being slaves there.

Who does Yahweh tell Israel he is?

He said, "I am Yahweh your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery."

Deuteronomy 5:7**ULT**

⁷ You will have no other gods before me.

UST

⁷ You must worship only me; you must not worship any other god.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 5:8**ULT**

⁸ You will not make for yourself a carved figure nor any likeness {of anything} that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that {is} in the water below.

UST

⁸ You must not make a carved figure of anything that represents any living creature that exists in the skies, or on the earth, in the waters of the earth.

What does God tell Israel not make, bow down to, or serve?

They should not make carved figures or any likeness that is in heaven, earth or in the water.

Deuteronomy 5:9**ULT**

⁹ You will not bow down to them or serve them, for I, Yahweh your God, {am} a jealous God. I punish the ancestors' wickedness by bringing punishment on the children, to the third and fourth {generation} of those who hate me,

UST

⁹ You must not bow down to any idol and worship it, because I am Yahweh God, and I will not tolerate you doing that. I will punish anyone who does that, and their children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren.

How will Yahweh punish the ancestors' wickedness they bow down to or serve idols?

Yahweh will punish the ancestors' wickedness by bringing punishment on their children's children.

Deuteronomy 5:10**ULT**

¹⁰ and showing covenant faithfulness to thousands, to those who love me and keep my commandments.

UST

¹⁰ But I will steadfastly love thousands of generations of those who love me and obey my commandments.

What will Yahweh do for those who love him and keep his commandments?

He will show covenant faithfulness to them.

Deuteronomy 5:11**ULT**

¹¹ You will not take the name of Yahweh your God in vain, for Yahweh will not hold {him} guiltless that takes his name in vain.

UST

¹¹ Do not speak my name carelessly or for wrong purposes, because I am Yahweh God, the one whom you should worship, and I will certainly punish those who do that.

Who will Yahweh not hold guiltless?

He will not hold guiltless those who take his name in vain.

Deuteronomy 5:12**ULT**

¹² Observe the Sabbath day to keep it holy, as Yahweh your God commanded you.

UST

¹² Do not forget that the seventh day of every week is for you to honor me specially, as I, Yahweh your God, am commanding you.

What does Yahweh say about the seventh day? (vv12-14)

The seventh day is a Sabbath to Yahweh their God, so they must keep it holy and not do any work.

Deuteronomy 5:13**ULT**

¹³ For six days you will labor and do all your work;

UST

¹³ There are six days each week for you to do all your work,

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 5:14**ULT**

¹⁴ but the seventh day {is} a Sabbath to Yahweh your God. On it you will not do any work—not you, nor your son, nor your daughter, nor your male servant, nor your female servant, nor your ox, nor your donkey, nor any of your cattle, nor any foreigner who is within your gates. This is so that your male servant and your female servant may rest as well as you.

UST

¹⁴ but the seventh day is a rest day, a day dedicated to me, Yahweh your God. On that day you must not do any work. You and your sons and daughters and your male and female slaves must not work. You must not even force your livestock to work, and you must not tell foreigners to work, those who are living in your country. You must allow your slaves to rest on that day just like you do.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 5:15**ULT**

¹⁵ You will call to mind that you were a servant in the land of Egypt, and Yahweh your God brought you out from there by a mighty hand and by an outstretched arm. Therefore Yahweh your God has commanded you to keep the Sabbath day.

UST

¹⁵ Do not forget that you were slaves in Egypt, and that I, Yahweh your God, brought you out from there by my very great power. That is the reason that I am commanding that all of you must rest on the seventh day each week.

Why does Yahweh command them to keep the Sabbath day?

He wants them to remember that they were a servant in the land of Egypt and that God brought them out by his mighty hand his display of power.

Deuteronomy 5:16**ULT**

¹⁶ Honor your father and your mother, as Yahweh your God has commanded you to do, that you may live a long time in the land that Yahweh your God gives you, and so that it may go well with you.

UST

¹⁶ Honor your fathers and your mothers, just like I, Yahweh your God, am commanding you, in order that you as a people group may live a long time in the land that I, Yahweh your God, will give you, and in order that things will go well for you there.

What did Yahweh say would happen to the people if they honor their father and mother?

They will live a long time in the land that God gave them and it may go well with them.

Deuteronomy 5:17**ULT**

¹⁷ You will not murder.

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¹⁷ Do not murder anyone.

What were they commanded not to do? (vv17-20)

They should not murder, commit adultery, steal, or give false witness against their neighbor.

Deuteronomy 5:18**ULT**

¹⁸ You will not commit adultery.

UST

¹⁸ Do not commit adultery.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 5:19**ULT**

¹⁹ You will not steal.

UST

¹⁹ Do not steal anything.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 5:20**ULT**

²⁰ You will not give false witness against your neighbor.

UST

²⁰ Do not tell lies about anyone when you are speaking in court.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 5:21**ULT**

²¹ You will not covet your neighbor's wife, you will not covet your neighbor's house, his field, or his male servant, or his female servant, his ox, or his donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.'

UST

²¹ Do not covet someone else's wife, someone else's house, someone else's fields, someone else's male slave or female slave, someone else's livestock, someone else's donkeys, or anything else that another person owns.'

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 5:22**ULT**

²² These words Yahweh spoke in a loud voice to all your assembly on the mountain out of the middle of the fire, of the cloud, and of the thick darkness; he did not add any more words. He wrote them down on two tablets of stone and gave them to me.

UST

²² Those are the commandments that Yahweh spoke to your ancestors. When they were gathered there at the bottom of the mountain, he spoke with a very loud voice from the middle of the fire, and there were dark clouds surrounding the mountain. He spoke only those Ten Commandments, no more. Then he wrote them on two stone tablets and gave them to me.

On what did Yahweh write down his words?

He wrote them down on two tablets of stone and gave them to Moses.

Deuteronomy 5:23**ULT**

²³ It came about, when you heard the voice out of the middle of the darkness, while the mountain was burning, that you came near to me—all your elders and the heads of your tribes.

UST

²³ After your ancestors heard Yahweh's voice when he spoke to them out of the darkness, while there was a big fire burning on the mountain, their leaders and elders came to me,

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 5:24**ULT**

²⁴ You said, 'Look, Yahweh our God has shown us his glory and his greatness, and we have heard his voice out of the middle of the fire; we have seen today that when God speaks with people, they can live.

UST

²⁴ and one of them said, 'Listen to us! Yahweh our God showed us that he is very great and glorious when we heard him speak from the fire. Today we have realized that it is possible for us human beings to continue to live even though God has spoken to us.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 5:25**ULT**

²⁵ But why should we die? For this great fire will consume us; if we hear the voice of Yahweh our God any longer, we will die.

UST

²⁵ But we are afraid that we will die. We are afraid that this immense fire will burn us all up, if we go on hearing Yahweh's voice.

What did the people say would happen to them if they heard the voice of Yahweh any longer?

The people would be consumed by the great fire and would die.

Deuteronomy 5:26**ULT**

²⁶ For who besides us is there among all flesh who has heard the voice of the living God speak out of the middle of the fire and lived, as we have done?

UST

²⁶ We are the only people on earth who have remained alive after hearing the all-powerful God speak to them from a fire!

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 5:27**ULT**

²⁷ As for you, you should go and listen to everything that Yahweh our God says; repeat to us everything that Yahweh our God says to you; we will listen to it and obey it.'

UST

²⁷ So Moses, you go up the mountain and listen to everything that Yahweh our God says. Then come back and tell us everything that he has said, and we will listen to what he has said and obey it.'

What did the people say they would do when Moses repeated to them the words of Yahweh?

They said they will listen and obey Yahweh's word.

Deuteronomy 5:28**ULT**

²⁸ Yahweh heard your words when you spoke to me. He said to me, 'I have heard the words of this people, what they said to you. What they said was good.

UST

²⁸ Yahweh heard your leaders say that, so when I went back up the mountain, Yahweh said to me, 'I have heard what your leaders have said, and what they have said is right.

How did Yahweh say about the response of the people?

He said he heard the words of the people and they were good.

Deuteronomy 5:29**ULT**

²⁹ Oh, that there were such a heart in them, that they would honor me and always keep all my commandments, that it might go well with them and with their children forever!

UST

²⁹ I surely wish that they would always think like that and have an awesome respect for me and obey all my commandments, in order that things may go well for them and for their descendants forever.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 5:30**ULT**

³⁰ Go say to them, "Return to your tents."

UST

³⁰ So go down and tell them to return to their tents.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 5:31**ULT**

³¹ But as for you, stand here by me, and I will tell you all the commandments, the statutes, and the decrees that you will teach them, so that they may keep them in the land that I will give them to possess.'

UST

³¹ But then you come back up here and stand near me, and I will give to you all the rules and decrees that I want them to obey. Then you can teach them to the people, in order that they will obey them when they are in the land that I am giving to them.'

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 5:32**ULT**

³² You will keep, therefore, what Yahweh your God has commanded you; you will not turn aside to the right hand or to the left.

UST

³² So I went back down to the people and said to them, 'Be sure that you do everything that Yahweh our God has commanded us to do. Do not disobey any of his laws.'

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 5:33**ULT**

³³ You will walk in all the ways that Yahweh your God has commanded you, so that you may live, and so {that it may} go well with you, and {that} you may prolong {your} days in the land that you will possess.

UST

³³ Conduct your lives as Yahweh our God has commanded us to do, in order that you may live a long time, and in order that things will go well for you when you are living in the land that you will occupy.'"

What did Moses say would happen to the people if they kept all Yahweh's statutes and commandments that Moses was commanding them?

If they keep the commandments, they will live, and it will go well with them, so they may prolong their days in the land.

Deuteronomy 6

Deuteronomy 6:1

ULT

¹ Now, {these are} the commandments, statutes, and decrees that Yahweh your God has commanded to teach you, so that you might keep {them} in the land that you are going over there to possess;

UST

¹ “These are the commandments and rules and decrees that Yahweh our God commanded me to teach to you. He wants you to obey them in the land that you are about to enter and occupy.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 6:2

ULT

² so that you might fear Yahweh your God, so as to keep all his statutes and his commandments that I am commanding you—you, your sons, and your sons’ sons, all the days of your lives, so that your days may be prolonged.

UST

² He wants you to honor him, and he wants you and your descendants to always obey all these rules and regulations that I am giving to you, in order that you may live for a long time.

What will happen if the Israelites and their children keep all Yahweh’s statutes and commandments all the days of your lives?

If they keep his statutes and commandments, their days will be prolonged.

Deuteronomy 6:3

ULT

³ Therefore listen, Israel, and keep so as to do, so that it may go well for you, so that you may greatly multiply—just as Yahweh, the God of your fathers said to you—in a land flowing with milk and honey..

UST

³ So, you Israelite people, listen to them carefully and obey them. If you do that, things will go well with you, and you will become a very numerous nation when you are living in that very fertile land. That is what Yahweh, the God whom our ancestors worshiped, promised would happen.

How did Moses describe the land into which the people were going?

He said that it was a land flowing with milk and honey.

Deuteronomy 6:4**ULT**

⁴ Listen, Israel: Yahweh, and Yahweh alone, is our God.

UST

⁴ You Israelite people, listen! Only Yahweh is our God.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 6:5**ULT**

⁵ Therefore you must love Yahweh your God with all your mind, and with all your life, and with all that is in you.

UST

⁵ You must love him with all your inner being and with all that you feel and in every way that you can.

With what should Israel love Yahweh?

They should love Yahweh with all their heart, all their soul, and all their might.

Deuteronomy 6:6**ULT**

⁶ and these words that I am commanding you today must be in your mind;

UST

⁶ Never forget these commands that I am giving to you today.

When should the people diligently teach the commandments that are in their hearts to their children? (vv6-7)

They should teach the commandments to their children when they sit in the house, walk on the road, lie down, and when they get up.

Deuteronomy 6:7**ULT**

⁷ and you must diligently teach them to your children; and you must speak about them when you sit in your house, when you walk on the road, when you lie down, and when you get up.

UST

⁷ Teach them to your children again and again. Talk about them all the time. When you are in your houses and when you are walking outside, talk about them also when you are lying down and when you wake up.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 6:8**ULT**

⁸ And you must tie them as a sign upon your hand, and they must be as frontlets between your eyes.

UST

⁸ Write them on tiny scrolls and fasten them to your arms, and write them on bands that you fasten to your foreheads to help you to remember them.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 6:9**ULT**

⁹ and you must write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates.

UST

⁹ Write them on the doorposts of your houses and on your city gates.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 6:10**ULT**

¹⁰ Then, it will come to pass, when Yahweh your God brings you into the land that he swore to your fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, to give to you, with large and good cities that you did not build,

UST

¹⁰ Yahweh our God solemnly promised to your ancestors Abraham and Isaac and Jacob that he would give you a land that already has in it large and prosperous cities that you did not build.

When should Isreal not forget Yahweh? (vv10-12)

They should not forget Yahweh when they eat and are satisfied in the land that Yahweh swore to their fathers.

Deuteronomy 6:11**ULT**

¹¹ and houses full of every good thing that you did not gather, and hewn cisterns that you did not dig, and vineyards and olive trees that you did not plant, you will eat and be satisfied—

UST

¹¹ He said that the houses in those cities will already be full of many good things that someone else put there; you did not put them there. There will be wells that someone else dug. There will be vineyards and olive trees that someone else planted. So when Yahweh brings you into that land, and you have all that you want to eat,

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 6:12**ULT**

¹² Guard yourselves, lest you forget Yahweh, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage.

UST

¹² be sure that you do not forget Yahweh, who rescued you from being slaves in Egypt and gave all these things to you.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 6:13**ULT**

¹³ Yahweh your God you must fear, and him you must serve, and by his name you must swear.

UST

¹³ You must honor Yahweh our God, and you must worship him alone. When you make a solemn oath to tell the truth or to do something, do it in his name.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 6:14**ULT**

¹⁴ You must not go after other gods, the gods of the peoples who are all around you—

UST

¹⁴ You must not worship any other gods, the gods that the people groups who live in this land worship.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 6:15**ULT**

¹⁵ for Yahweh your God in the midst of you is a jealous God—if you do, the anger of Yahweh your God will be kindled against you and he will destroy you from the surface of the earth.

UST

¹⁵ Yahweh our God, who lives among you, will not accept people who worship anyone or anything else. So if you worship any other god, Yahweh will be very angry with you, and he will destroy you completely.

What will happen to Israel if they serve other gods and cause Yahweh, a jealous God, to be angry?

If Yahweh's anger is kindled against them, he will destroy them from the surface of the earth.

Deuteronomy 6:16**ULT**

¹⁶ You will not test Yahweh your God as you tested {him} at Massah.

UST

¹⁶ Do not do sinful things to find out whether Yahweh will punish you or not, like your ancestors did at Massah.

What did they do at Massah that they should not repeat?

They tested Yahweh at Massah.

Deuteronomy 6:17**ULT**

¹⁷ You will diligently keep the commandments of Yahweh your God, his solemn commands, and his statutes, that he has commanded you.

UST

¹⁷ Be sure that you always obey all the laws, the weighty instructions, and the regulations that he has given to you.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 6:18**ULT**

¹⁸ You will do what is right and good in the sight of Yahweh, that it may go well with you, and that you may go in and possess the good land that Yahweh swore to your fathers,

UST

¹⁸ Do what Yahweh says is right and good. If you do that, things will go well with you. You will be able to enter and occupy the good land that Yahweh solemnly promised to give to our ancestors.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 6:19**ULT**

¹⁹ to drive out all your enemies from before you, as Yahweh has said.

UST

¹⁹ He will do that by driving out your enemies from that land, just as he promised to do.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 6:20**ULT**

²⁰ When your son asks you in time to come, saying, 'What are the covenant decrees, the statutes, and the other decrees that Yahweh our God commanded you?'

UST

²⁰ In the future, your children will ask you, 'Why did Yahweh our God command us to obey all these rules and decrees?'

How should the people respond when their son asks about the covenant decrees, the statutes, and the other decrees that Yahweh commanded? (vv20-23)

They should tell their sons that they were Pharaoh's slaves when Yahweh brought them out of Egypt and gave them the land that he swore to their fathers.

Deuteronomy 6:21**ULT**

²¹ then you will say to your son, 'We were Pharaoh's slaves in Egypt; Yahweh brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand,

UST

²¹ Then you will tell them, 'Our ancestors were slaves of the king in Egypt, but Yahweh brought them out of Egypt by his great power.'

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 6:22**ULT**

²² and he displayed signs and wonders, great and severe, on Egypt, on Pharaoh, and on all his house, before our eyes;

UST

²² They saw him do many kinds of miracles and terrifying things to the people of Egypt and to the king and his officials.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 6:23**ULT**

²³ and he brought us out from there, so that he might bring us in, to give us the land that he swore to our fathers.

UST

²³ He rescued our ancestors from Egypt and brought them here to give them this land, just as he solemnly promised our ancestors that he would do.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 6:24**ULT**

²⁴ Yahweh commanded us to always keep all these statutes, to fear Yahweh our God for our good, so that he might keep us alive, as we are today.

UST

²⁴ And he commanded us to obey all these laws and to honor him, so that things would go well with us, and so that he would protect our nation and enable us to prosper, as he is doing now.

Why should the people fear Yahweh?

They should fear him for their good, so that he might keep them alive.

Deuteronomy 6:25

ULT

²⁵ If we keep all these commands before Yahweh our God, as he has commanded us, this will be our righteousness.'

UST

²⁵ Yahweh our God will approve of us if we carefully obey everything that he has commanded us to do.'"

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 7

Deuteronomy 7:1

ULT

¹ When Yahweh your God brings you into the land that you go to possess, he will drive out many nations before you—the Hittites, the Girgashites, the Amorites, the Canaanites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites—seven nations greater and mightier than you.

UST

¹ “Yahweh our God will bring you to the land that you will soon enter and occupy. As you advance, he will drive out from that land seven people groups that are more powerful and more numerous than you are. These are the Heth, the Girgash, the Amor, the Canaan, the Periz, the Hiv, and the Jebus people groups.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 7:2

ULT

² It is Yahweh your God who gives them over to you when you defeat them, and then you must completely destroy them. You will make no covenant with them, and show them no mercy.

UST

² When Yahweh our God enables you to defeat them, you must kill them all. You must make no agreement with them, and you must not act mercifully toward them.

What must the people do to the people of the land that Yahweh is giving them to possess?

They must attack and utterly destroy them.

What must the Israelites not do with the people of those nations? (vv2-3)

They are not to make covenant with them, show them mercy, or arrange any marriages with them for their sons or daughters.

Deuteronomy 7:3

ULT

³ Neither will you arrange any marriages with them. You will not give your daughters to their sons, and you will not take their daughters for your sons.

UST

³ You must not marry any of them. You must not allow your daughters to marry any of their sons, or allow your sons to marry any of their daughters.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 7:4**ULT**

⁴ For they will turn away your sons from following me, so that they may worship other gods. So the anger of Yahweh will be kindled against you, and he will destroy you quickly.

UST

⁴ If you did that, those people would persuade your children to stop worshipping Yahweh and to worship other gods. If that happens, Yahweh will be very angry with you and he will destroy you very quickly.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 7:5**ULT**

⁵ This is how you will deal with them: You will break down their altars, dash their stone pillars in pieces, cut down their Asherah poles, and burn their cast idols.

UST

⁵ This is what you must do to those people: Tear down their altars, break apart the stone pillars that are dedicated to their gods, cut down the poles that they use when they worship the goddess Asherah, and burn their molded idols.

How should Isreal deal with the people of these nations?

They should break down their altars, dash their sacred stone pillars, cut down their Asherah poles, and burn their cast idols.

Deuteronomy 7:6**ULT**

⁶ For you are a nation that is set apart to Yahweh your God. He has chosen you to be a people for him to possess, more than all the other peoples that are on the face of the earth.

UST

⁶ You must do that because you are a group of people who belong only to Yahweh our God. He has chosen you from all the people groups in the world to be his own special people.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 7:7**ULT**

⁷ Yahweh did not set his love upon you or choose you because you were more in number than any people—for you {were} the fewest of all peoples—

UST

⁷ It was not because you were more numerous than any other people group that Yahweh chose you; you are one of the smallest people groups on the earth.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 7:8**ULT**

⁸ but because he loves you, and he wished to keep the oath that he had sworn to your fathers. This is why Yahweh has brought you out with a mighty hand and redeemed you out of the house of bondage, from the hand of Pharaoh, king of Egypt.

UST

⁸ Instead, it is because Yahweh loved you and because he wanted to do what he solemnly promised to your ancestors. That is the reason that he rescued you by his great power from slavery in Egypt and from Pharaoh, the king of Egypt.

How did Yahweh keep his oath to the chosen people?

Yahweh kept his oath and redeemed them out of the house of bondage, from Pharaoh's hand.

Deuteronomy 7:9**ULT**

⁹ Therefore know that Yahweh your God—he {is} God, the faithful God, who keeps covenants and faithfulness for a thousand generations with those who love him and keep his commandments,

UST

⁹ So do not forget that Yahweh is our God. He is faithful to us; he keeps his covenant for a thousand generations of people who love him and who obey his commandments.

What will happen to those who love Yahweh and keep his commandments?

To those that love him, God will keep his covenants and be faithful for a thousand generations.

Deuteronomy 7:10**ULT**

¹⁰ but repays those who hate him to their face, to destroy them; he will not be lenient on whoever hates him; he will repay him to his face.

UST

¹⁰ But as for those who hate him, he will pay them back; he will punish them and quickly destroy them.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 7:11**ULT**

¹¹ You will therefore keep the commandments, the statutes, and the decrees that I command you today, so that you will do them.

UST

¹¹ So you must be sure to obey all the commandments and rules and decrees that I am giving to you today.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 7:12**ULT**

¹² If you listen to these decrees, and keep and do them, it will happen that Yahweh your God will keep with you the covenant and the faithfulness that he swore to your fathers.

UST

¹² If you pay attention to these decrees and always obey them, Yahweh our God will do what he has agreed to do for you, and he will faithfully love you, which is what he solemnly promised to your ancestors that he would do.

In what ways will the people be blessed by Yahweh if they keep his decrees? (vv12-13)

God will bless them by multiplying them, and the fruit of their ground, grain, wine, oil, and multiply their animals.

Deuteronomy 7:13**ULT**

¹³ He will love you, bless you, and multiply you; he will also bless the fruit of your body and the fruit of your ground, your grain, your new wine, and your oil, the multiplication of your cattle and the young of your flocks, in the land that he swore to your fathers to give you.

UST

¹³ He will love you and bless you. He will enable you to have many children. He will bless your fields, with the result that you will have plenty of grain and grapes to make wine and plenty of olive oil. You will have many cattle and sheep. He will do all these things for you in the land that he promised to your ancestors that he would give to you.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 7:14**ULT**

¹⁴ You will be blessed more than all other peoples; there will not be a childless {male} or a barren {female} among you or among your cattle.

UST

¹⁴ He will bless you more than he will bless any other people group. All of you will be able to have children. All of your livestock will be able to produce offspring.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 7:15**ULT**

¹⁵ Yahweh will take away from you all sickness; none of the evil diseases of Egypt that you have known will he put on you, but he will put them on all those who hate you.

UST

¹⁵ And Yahweh will protect you from all illnesses. He will not make you to be sick with any of the dreadful diseases that our ancestors knew about in Egypt, but he will make all your enemies sick with them.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 7:16**ULT**

¹⁶ You will consume all the peoples whom Yahweh your God will give over to you, and your eye will not pity them. You will not worship their gods, for that {will be} a trap for you.

UST

¹⁶ You must destroy all the people groups that Yahweh our God enables you to conquer. Do not act mercifully toward any of them. And do not worship their gods, because if you do that, it would be like falling into a trap from which you will never be able to escape.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 7:17**ULT**

¹⁷ If you say in your heart, 'These nations are more numerous than I; how can I dispossess them?'—

UST

¹⁷ Do not think to yourselves, 'These people groups are more numerous than we are. We will never be able to drive them out.'

What will God do to the nations whom Israel fears? (vv17-19)

God will bring on them the same great sufferings and other displays of his power that they saw in Egypt.

Deuteronomy 7:18**ULT**

¹⁸ do not be afraid of them; you will call to mind what Yahweh your God did to Pharaoh and to all Egypt;

UST

¹⁸ Do not be afraid of them. Instead, think about what Yahweh our God did to the king of Egypt and to all the people whom he ruled.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 7:19**ULT**

¹⁹ the great sufferings that your eyes saw, the signs, the wonders, the mighty hand, and the outstretched arm by which Yahweh your God brought you out. Yahweh your God will do the same to all the peoples whom you fear.

UST

¹⁹ Do not forget the terrible plagues that your ancestors saw him inflict on the people of Egypt, and the various kinds of miracles that God did in order to bring your ancestors out of Egypt. Yahweh our God will do the same kind of things to the people groups that you are afraid of now.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 7:20**ULT**

²⁰ Moreover, Yahweh your God will send the hornet among them, until those who are left and who hide themselves from you perish from your presence.

UST

²⁰ Furthermore, he will cause them to become terrified, and he will destroy those who remain alive and run away to hide from you.

How long did God send the hornet among them?

God sent the hornet until those who were left and hiding from Israel perished.

Deuteronomy 7:21**ULT**

²¹ You will not be frightened at them, for Yahweh your God {is} among you, a great and fearsome God.

UST

²¹ Do not be afraid of those people, because Yahweh our God will be with you. He is a great God; he is the one that people are afraid of.

Why should the people not be frightened among the people? (vv21-22)

God, who is great and fearsome, is among the Israelites.

Deuteronomy 7:22**ULT**

²² Yahweh your God will drive out those nations before you little by little. You will not defeat them all at once, or the wild animals would become very many around you.

UST

²² He will gradually drive out those people groups. You should not try to drive all of them out at one time, because if you did that, the number of wild animals would quickly increase, and you would not be able to get rid of them.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 7:23**ULT**

²³ But Yahweh your God will give you victory over them when you meet them in battle; he will greatly confuse them until they are destroyed.

UST

²³ Instead, Yahweh will enable you to defeat your enemies one people group at a time. He will cause them to panic until they are destroyed.

How will God give the people victory over the nations?

God will greatly confuse the nations in battle until they are destroyed.

Deuteronomy 7:24**ULT**

²⁴ He will put their kings under your power, and you will make their name perish from under heaven. No one will be able to stand before you, until you have destroyed them.

UST

²⁴ He will enable you to defeat their kings. After you kill them, their names will be forgotten. No people group will be able to stop you; you will destroy all of them.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 7:25**ULT**

²⁵ You will burn the carved figures of their gods—do not covet the silver or the gold {that} covers them and take {it} for yourself, because if you do, you will become trapped by it—for it is an abomination to Yahweh your God.

UST

²⁵ You must burn the carved figures that represent their gods. Do not desire to take the silver or gold decorations that are on those idols, because if you take them for yourselves, they will be like a trap to catch you. Yahweh hates every part of those idols.

What are they to do to the gods of the nations? (vv25-26)

They are to burn the carved figures of the gods.

Deuteronomy 7:26**ULT**

²⁶ You will not bring any abomination into your house and start to worship it. You will utterly detest and abhor it, for it {is} set apart for destruction.

UST

²⁶ You must not bring any of those disgusting idols into your houses, because if you do that, God will curse you like he curses them. You must hate and despise those idols, because they are things that Yahweh has cursed and he promises to destroy them."

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 8

Deuteronomy 8:1

ULT

¹ You must keep all the commands that I am giving you today, so that you may live and multiply, and go in and possess the land that Yahweh swore to your fathers.

UST

¹ “You must faithfully obey all the commandments that I am giving you today. If you do that, you will live a long time, you will become very numerous, and your people will occupy the land that Yahweh solemnly promised your ancestors that he would give to you.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 8:2

ULT

² You will call to mind all the ways that Yahweh your God has led you these forty years in the wilderness, in order that he might humble you, that he might test you to know what {was} in your heart, as to whether you would keep his commandments or not.

UST

² And do not forget how Yahweh our God led us as we traveled through the desert during these past forty years. He caused you to have many problems, because he wanted to cause you to realize that you needed to trust him and not yourselves. And he wanted to test you, to find out what you intended to do, whether you would obey his commandments or not.

What should the people of Israel call to mind?

They should call to mind how God humbled and tested them for forty years in the wilderness.

Deuteronomy 8:3

ULT

³ He humbled you, and made you hunger, and fed you with manna, which you had not known and which your fathers had not known. He did that to make you know that it is not by bread alone that people live; rather, it is by everything that proceeds out of the mouth of Yahweh that people live.

UST

³ So he caused you to have difficulties. He allowed you to become hungry. Then he gave you manna, food from heaven, food that you and your ancestors had never eaten before. He did that to teach you that people need food for their bodies, but they also need food for their spirits, which comes from paying attention to everything that Yahweh says.

Why did Yahweh humble, make hungry, and feed the people with manna?

He did these things to make the people know that they could not live by bread alone but rather by everything that proceeds out of the mouth of Yahweh.

Deuteronomy 8:4

ULT

⁴ Your clothing did not wear out and fall off you, and your feet did not swell up during those forty years.

UST

⁴ During those forty years, our clothes did not wear out, and our feet did not swell from walking through the desert.

How did the people survive the forty years in the wilderness?

Their clothing did not grow old on them and their feet did not swell.

Deuteronomy 8:5

ULT

⁵ You will think about in your heart, how, as a man disciplines his son, {so} Yahweh your God disciplines you.

UST

⁵ Do not forget that Yahweh our God corrects us and punishes us, like parents correct their children.

How did Yahweh correct the Israelites?

As a man corrects his son, so Yahweh corrected them.

Deuteronomy 8:6**ULT**

⁶ You will keep the commandments of Yahweh your God, so that you might walk in his ways and honor him.

UST

⁶ So obey the commandments of Yahweh our God, and conduct your lives as he wants you to do, and honor him.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 8:7**ULT**

⁷ For Yahweh your God is bringing you into a good land, a land of brooks of water, of fountains and springs, flowing out into valleys and among hills;

UST

⁷ He is about to bring you into a good land, which has streams which flow down from the hills and flow out of springs in the valleys.

What is in the good land into which God is bringing them? (vv7-8)

The land will be filled with brooks of water, fountains and springs, wheat and barley, vines, fig trees, pomegranates, olive trees, and honey.

Deuteronomy 8:8**ULT**

⁸ a land of wheat and barley, of vines, fig trees, and pomegranates; a land of olive trees and honey.

UST

⁸ It is a land on which wheat and barley grow, a land where there are fig trees and pomegranates, and a land where there are olive trees and honey.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 8:9**ULT**

⁹ It is a land in which you will eat bread without lack, and where you will not go without anything; a land whose stones {are} made of iron, and out of whose hills you may dig copper.

UST

⁹ It is a land where there will be plenty of food for you, where you will not lack anything, a land which has iron ore in its rocks and from which you can dig copper ore from its hills.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 8:10**ULT**

¹⁰ You will eat and be full, and you will bless Yahweh your God for the good land that he has given you.

UST

¹⁰ Every day you will eat until your stomachs are full, and you will thank Yahweh our God for the fertile land that he has given you.

Why will the people bless Yahweh?

They will bless him because of the good land that he has given them.

Deuteronomy 8:11**ULT**

¹¹ Be careful that you do not forget Yahweh your God, by failing to keep his commandments and his rules and statutes that I am commanding you today.

UST

¹¹ But when that happens, be sure not to forget Yahweh our God by disobeying his commandments and rules and regulations that I am giving to you today.

What were the people reminded not to do?

They were reminded not to forget Yahweh and neglect his commandments.

Deuteronomy 8:12**ULT**

¹² Otherwise, {when} you eat and are full, and when you build good houses and live in them, your heart will be lifted up.

UST

¹² Your stomachs will be full every day, and you will build good houses and live in them. But you might forget Yahweh's commandments.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 8:13**ULT**

¹³ Be careful {when} your herds and flocks multiply and when your silver and gold increase, and all that you have is multiplied,

UST

¹³ Indeed, when the number of your cattle and sheep has greatly increased, and when you have accumulated a large amount of silver and gold, and the amount of all your other possessions has greatly increased,

Why might the people forget Yahweh who brought them out of Egypt? (vv13-14)

When their herds and flocks multiply, and their silver and gold increases, their hear may be lifted up and they might forget Yahweh.

Deuteronomy 8:14**ULT**

¹⁴ then your heart becomes lifted up and you forget Yahweh your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage.

UST

¹⁴ be sure that you do not become proud and forget Yahweh our God, who rescued your ancestors from being slaves in Egypt and brought them out from there.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 8:15**ULT**

¹⁵ Do not forget him who led you through the great and terrifying wilderness, with its fiery serpents and scorpions and thirsty ground where there was no water, who brought you water out of the rock of flint.

UST

¹⁵ Do not forget that he led them while they traveled through that huge and terrible desert, where there were poisonous snakes and scorpions. And do not forget that where the ground was very dry and there was no water, he caused water to flow for them out of solid rock.

How did Yahweh provide water and food in the terrible wilderness for the people of Israel? (vv15-16)

Yahweh brought water out of the rock of flint for them and provided manna for them.

Deuteronomy 8:16**ULT**

¹⁶ He fed you in the wilderness with manna that your ancestors had never known, so that he might humble you and test you, to do you good in the end,

UST

¹⁶ Do not forget that in that desert he gave your ancestors manna to eat, food that they had never eaten. He caused them to have, because he wanted to cause them to realize that they needed to trust him and not themselves. And he wanted to test them, to find out what they intended to do, in order that when those difficulties ended, he would do many good things for them.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 8:17**ULT**

¹⁷ but you may say in your heart, 'My power and the might of my hand acquired all this wealth.'

UST

¹⁷ Be sure that you do not think to yourselves, 'I have acquired all these things by my own power and ability.'

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 8:18**ULT**

¹⁸ But you will call to mind Yahweh your God, for it is he who gives you the power to get wealth; that he may establish his covenant that he swore to your fathers, as it is today.

UST

¹⁸ Do not forget that it is Yahweh our God who has enabled you to become rich. He does this because he faithfully does what he solemnly promised our ancestors that he would do.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 8:19**ULT**

¹⁹ It will happen that, if you will forget Yahweh your God and walk after other gods, worship them, and reverence them, I testify against you today that you will surely perish.

UST

¹⁹ I solemnly warn you, that if you forget Yahweh our God and turn to other gods and start to bow down to them and worship them, he will certainly destroy you.

What would cause the people to perish like the nations before them? (vv19-20)

They would perish if they forgot where their wealth came from, walk after other gods, and not listen to the voice of Yahweh.

Deuteronomy 8:20**ULT**

²⁰ Like the nations that Yahweh is making to perish before you, so will you perish, because you would not listen to the voice of Yahweh your God.

UST

²⁰ If you do not obey Yahweh our God, he will certainly destroy you just like he will destroy the people groups that you will fight against.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 9

Deuteronomy 9:1

ULT

¹ Hear, Israel; you {are} about to cross over the Jordan today, to go in to dispossess nations greater and mightier than yourself, and cities that are great and fortified up to heaven,

UST

¹ You people of Israel, listen to me! You will soon cross the Jordan River. In the land that you will enter, there are large cities that have very high walls around them that seem to extend up to the sky. There are people groups in that land that are more numerous and more powerful than you are.

Where are the people of Israel preparing to go?

Israel is about to cross over the Jordan.

Deuteronomy 9:2

ULT

² a people great and tall, the sons of the Anakim, whom you know, and {of whom} you have heard {people say}, 'Who can stand before the sons of Anak?'

UST

² Those people are very tall and strong. Some of them are giants who are descendants of Anak. You know about them, and you have heard people say that no one can defeat the descendants of Anak.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 9:3

ULT

³ Know therefore today that Yahweh your God {is} he who goes over before you {like} a devouring fire; he will destroy them, and he will subdue them before you; so will you drive them out and make them to perish quickly, as Yahweh has said to you.

UST

³ I want you to know that Yahweh our God will go ahead of you. He will be like a raging fire. While you advance, he will defeat and destroy them. As a result, you will quickly be able to drive out some of them and kill the others, which is what Yahweh promised that you would do.

What will happen before Israel crosses Jordan?

Yahweh will go before them and will destroy the nations like a devouring fire.

Deuteronomy 9:4**ULT**

⁴ Do not say in your heart, after Yahweh your God has thrust them out from before you, ‘{It was} because of my righteousness that Yahweh has brought me in to possess this land,’ for {it was} because of the wickedness of these nations {that} Yahweh is driving them out from before you.

UST

⁴ After Yahweh our God has expelled them for you, do not say to yourselves, ‘It is because we are righteous that Yahweh has enabled us to capture this land.’ The truth is that it is because the people in that land are wicked that Yahweh will drive out them as you advance.

What did Moses tell the people not to think in their heart after Yahweh thrust their enemies out of the land?

He told Israel not to think it was because of Israel’s righteousness that Yahweh gave them possession of the land.

Deuteronomy 9:5**ULT**

⁵ {It is} not because of your righteousness or the uprightness of your heart {that} you are going in to possess their land, but it is because of the wickedness of these nations {that} your God is driving them out from before you, and so that he may make come true the word that he swore to your ancestors, to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob.

UST

⁵ I say again that it is not because you are righteous within yourselves or because you do things that are righteous that you will enter and capture that land. It is because those people groups are very wicked that Yahweh our God will expel them as you advance, and because he intends to do what he solemnly promised to your ancestors Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob that he would do.

What is the reason God driving the nations out before Israel crosses the Jordan?

He is driving them out because of their wickedness, and to keep his word that he swore to Israel’s ancestors, Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob.

Deuteronomy 9:6**ULT**

⁶ Know therefore, that Yahweh your God is not giving you this good land to possess because of your righteousness, for you {are} a stubborn people.

UST

⁶ I want you to know that it is not because you are righteous that Yahweh our God is giving you this good land. I say that because you are not righteous; you are a very stubborn people.”

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 9:7**ULT**

⁷ Remember and do not forget how you provoked Yahweh your God to anger in the wilderness; from the day that you left the land of Egypt until you came to this place, you have been rebellious against Yahweh.

UST

⁷ "Never forget what your ancestors did in the desert that caused Yahweh our God to become angry. From the day that we left Egypt until the day that we arrived here, you also have continually rebelled against him.

Why was Yahweh angry with the people of Israel? (vv7-8)

He was angry enough to destroy them because they provoked him and were rebellious against him.

Deuteronomy 9:8**ULT**

⁸ Also at Horeb you provoked Yahweh to anger, and Yahweh was angry {enough} with you to destroy you.

UST

⁸ Even at Mount Sinai your ancestors caused Yahweh to become angry. Because he was very angry, he was ready to get rid of all of them.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 9:9**ULT**

⁹ When I went up the mountain to receive the tablets of stone, the tablets of the covenant that Yahweh made with you, I stayed on the mountain for forty days and forty nights; I neither ate bread nor drank water.

UST

⁹ When I climbed the mountain to receive from him the stone tablets on which he had written the Ten Commandments, I stayed there forty days and nights, and during that time I did not eat or drink anything.

What did Moses eat and drink on the mountain?

He did not eat or drink for forty days and forty nights on the mountain.

Deuteronomy 9:10**ULT**

¹⁰ Yahweh gave to me the two tablets of stone written with his finger; on them was written everything just like all the words that Yahweh announced to you on the mountain out of the middle of the fire on the day of the assembly.

UST

¹⁰ Yahweh gave me the two stone tablets on which he had written the commandments with his own fingers. They were the words that he had spoken to your ancestors from the fire on that mountain, when they were gathered together at the bottom of the mountain.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 9:11**ULT**

¹¹ It happened at the end of those forty days and forty nights that Yahweh gave me the two tablets of stone, the tablets of the covenant.

UST

¹¹ At the end of those forty days and nights, Yahweh gave me those two stone tablets on which he had written those commandments.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 9:12**ULT**

¹² Yahweh said to me, 'Arise, go down quickly from here, for your people, whom you brought out of Egypt, have corrupted themselves. They have quickly turned aside out of the path that I commanded them. They have made for themselves a cast figure.'

UST

¹² But then he said to me, 'Go down the mountain immediately, because the people whom you are leading, the people whom you led out of Egypt, have committed a terrible sin! They have very quickly done what I commanded them not to do. They have made for themselves a cast figure of a calf to worship.'

Why did Yahweh tell Moses to quickly go down from the mountain?

Yahweh told him the people had corrupted themselves by turning away from the path that Yahweh commanded and made themselves an idol.

Deuteronomy 9:13**ULT**

¹³ Furthermore, Yahweh spoke to me and said, 'I have seen this people; {they} are a stubborn people.'

UST

¹³ Then Yahweh said to me, 'I have been watching these people, and I see that they are very stubborn.'

Why did Yahweh say he would blot out Israel and make a mightier nation than they were? (vv13-14)

Yahweh said he had seen that they were a stubborn people.

Deuteronomy 9:14**ULT**

¹⁴ Let me alone, so that I may destroy them and blot out their name from under heaven, and I will make of you a nation mightier and greater than they.'

UST

¹⁴ So do not try to stop me. I am going to destroy all of them, with the result that no one anywhere will remember their names. Then I will enable you to become the ancestor of a nation that will be more numerous and more powerful than they are.'

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 9:15**ULT**

¹⁵ So I turned around and came down the mountain, and the mountain was burning. The two tablets of the covenant {were} in my hands.

UST

¹⁵ So I turned and went down the mountain, carrying in my hands the two stone tablets on which the Ten Commandments were written. Fire was burning all over the mountain.

What had Israel made in their sin? (vv15-16)

They had sinned against Yahweh by molding a calf as an idol.

Deuteronomy 9:16**ULT**

¹⁶ I looked, and behold, you had sinned against Yahweh your God. You had molded for yourselves a calf. You had quickly turned aside out of the path that Yahweh had commanded you.

UST

¹⁶ I looked, and I was shocked to see that your ancestors had committed a great sin against Yahweh. They very quickly had begun to do what Yahweh our God had commanded them not to do. They had requested Aaron to make for them a metal image of a calf to worship.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 9:17**ULT**

¹⁷ I took the two tablets and threw them out of my hands. I broke them before your eyes.

UST

¹⁷ So while they were watching, I lifted up those two stone tablets and threw them on the ground, and they broke into pieces.

What did Moses do after he saw that the people had done evil in the sight of Yahweh? (vv17-18)

He threw the tablets and broke them before their eyes, he laid face down before Yahweh for forty days and nights, and did not eat or drink.

Deuteronomy 9:18**ULT**

¹⁸ Again I lay facedown before Yahweh for forty days and forty nights; I neither ate bread nor drank water, because of all your sin that you had committed, in doing that which was evil in the sight of Yahweh, so as to provoke him to anger.

UST

¹⁸ Then I prostrated myself on the ground in Yahweh's presence as I had done before, and I did not eat or drink anything for forty days and nights. I did that because your ancestors had sinned against Yahweh and caused him to become very angry.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 9:19**ULT**

¹⁹ For I was afraid of the anger and hot displeasure with which Yahweh was angry enough against you to destroy you. But Yahweh listened to me that time also.

UST

¹⁹ I was afraid that because Yahweh was very angry with them, he would get rid of all of them. But again I prayed that he would not do that, and again he listened to me and answered my prayer.

Why did Moses pray for the people and Aaron? (vv19-20)

He prayed because Yahweh was angry and displeased with the people and Aaron, enough to destroy them.

Deuteronomy 9:20**ULT**

²⁰ Yahweh was very angry with Aaron so as to destroy him; I prayed for Aaron also at the same time.

UST

²⁰ Yahweh was also very angry with Aaron for making that golden calf and was ready to kill him. But at the same time I prayed for Aaron also, and Yahweh answered my prayer.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 9:21**ULT**

²¹ I took your sin, the calf that you had made, and burned it, beat it, and ground it very small, until it was as fine as dust. I threw its dust into the stream that came down from the mountain.

UST

²¹ Your ancestors had sinned by requesting Aaron to make a metal statue of a calf. So I took that statue and I melted it in a fire and crushed it and ground it into very tiny pieces. Then I threw those tiny pieces into the stream that flowed down the mountain.

What did Moses do to the calf that the people had made?

Moses burned it, beat it, and ground it very small and threw its dust into the stream that came down from the mountain.

Deuteronomy 9:22**ULT**

²² At Taberah, at Massah, and at Kibroth Hattaavah, you provoked Yahweh to wrath.

UST

²² Your ancestors also caused Yahweh to become very angry by what they did at places that they named Taberah, Massah, and Kibroth Hattaavah.

How did the people provoke Yahweh to wrath? (vv22-24)

They rebelled against the commandment of Yahweh and they did not believe or listen to his voice.

Deuteronomy 9:23**ULT**

²³ When Yahweh sent you from Kadesh Barnea and said, 'Go up and take possession of the land that I have given you,' then you rebelled against the commandment of Yahweh your God, and you did not believe or listen to his voice.

UST

²³ And when we were at Kadesh Barnea, Yahweh said to your ancestors, 'Go up and capture the land that I am about to give to you!' But they rebelled against him. They did not trust him, and they did not obey what he told them to do.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 9:24**ULT**

²⁴ You have been rebellious against Yahweh from the day that I knew you.

UST

²⁴ Your ancestors rebelled against Yahweh from the first day that I knew them, in Egypt, and you have been exactly the same as your ancestors.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 9:25**ULT**

²⁵ So I lay facedown before Yahweh those forty days and forty nights, because he had said that he would destroy you.

UST

²⁵ So, as I said, I lay on the ground in Yahweh's presence for forty days and nights, because Yahweh had said that he would destroy your ancestors.

What was Moses' prayer as he laid face down for forty days and nights? (vv25-26)

He prayed that Yahweh's people and inheritance would not be destroyed.

Deuteronomy 9:26**ULT**

²⁶ I prayed to Yahweh and said, 'O Lord Yahweh, do not destroy your people or your inheritance whom you have redeemed through your greatness, which you have brought out of Egypt with a mighty hand.

UST

²⁶ And I prayed to Yahweh, saying, 'Lord Yahweh, these people belong to you; do not destroy them. They are people whom you rescued and brought out of Egypt by your very great power.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 9:27**ULT**

²⁷ Call to mind your servants Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; do not look at the stubbornness of this people, nor at their wickedness, nor at their sin,

UST

²⁷ Do not forget what you promised to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob. Ignore how stubborn and wicked these people have been, and the sin that they have committed.

What did Moses ask Yahweh not to let the people of the land say? (vv27-28)

He asks Yahweh not to let the people say that Yahweh brought Israel into the wilderness to kill them because he hated them.

Deuteronomy 9:28**ULT**

²⁸ so that the land from where you brought us should say, "Because Yahweh was not able to bring them into the land that he promised to them, and because he hated them, he has brought them out to kill them in the wilderness."

UST

²⁸ If you do not do that, and if you destroy them, the people of Egypt will hear about it and say that you were not able to bring them into the land that you promised to give to them. They will say that you took them into the desert only to kill them there because you hated them.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 9:29**ULT**

²⁹ Yet they {are} your people and your inheritance, whom you brought out by your great strength and by the display of your power.'

UST

²⁹ Do not forget that they are your people. You chose them to belong to you. You brought them out from Egypt by your very great power."

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 10

Deuteronomy 10:1

ULT

¹ At that time Yahweh said to me, 'Carve two tablets of stone like the first, and come up to me on the mountain, and make an ark of wood.'

UST

¹ "Then Yahweh said to me, 'Cut two stone tablets like the first ones. And make a wooden chest to put them in. Then bring the tablets up to me on this mountain.'

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 10:2

ULT

² I will write on the tablets the words that were on the first tablets that you broke, and you will put them in the ark.'

UST

² I will write on those tablets the same words that I wrote on the first tablets, the ones that you broke. Then you can put them in the chest.'

Where did Yahweh tell Moses to place two tablets of stone on which he would write Yahweh's words?

Yahweh told him he to place the two tablets of stone into the chest of wood that Moses would make.

Deuteronomy 10:3

ULT

³ So I made an ark of acacia wood, and I carved two tablets of stone like the first, and I went up the mountain, having the two tablets in my hand.

UST

³ So I made a chest. I used wood from an acacia tree to make it. Then I cut two tablets of stone like the first ones, and I went up the mountain carrying the tablets.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 10:4**ULT**

⁴ He wrote on the tablets, like the first writing, the Ten Commandments which Yahweh had spoken to you on the mountain out of the middle of the fire on the day of the assembly; then Yahweh gave them to me.

UST

⁴ There Yahweh wrote on the tablets the same Ten Commandments that he had written on the first tablet. They are the commandments that he had spoken to your ancestors from the midst of the fire on the mountain, when they had gathered at the bottom of the mountain. Then Yahweh gave the tablets to me.

What did Yahweh write on the tablets of stone when Moses went up the mountain with them?

Yahweh wrote the Ten Commandments on the tablets like the first writing.

Deuteronomy 10:5**ULT**

⁵ I turned and came down from the mountain, and put the tablets in the ark that I had made; there they are, as Yahweh commanded me."

UST

⁵ Carrying the tablets, I turned and went down the mountain. Then, just as he had commanded, I put them in the chest that I had made. And they are still there."

Where did Moses put the two tablets when he returned from the mountain?

He put them into the chest that he had made as Yahweh commanded him.

Deuteronomy 10:6**ULT**

⁶ (The people of Israel journeyed from Beeroth Bene Jaakan to Moserah. There Aaron died, and there he was buried; Eleazar, his son, served in the priest's office in his place.

UST

⁶ (Then, from the wells that belonged to the people of Jaakan, the Israelite people traveled to Moserah. There Aaron died and was buried, and his son Eleazar took his place and became the high priest.

What happened to Aaron in Moserah?

Aaron died and was buried in Moserah.

Deuteronomy 10:7**ULT**

⁷ From there they journeyed to Gudgodah, and from Gudgodah to Jotbathah, a land of streams of water.

UST

⁷ From there, the Israelites traveled to Gudgodah, and from there to Jotbathah, which was a place that had many streams.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 10:8**ULT**

⁸ At that time Yahweh chose the tribe of Levi to carry the ark of the covenant of Yahweh, to stand before Yahweh to serve him, and to bless people in his name, as today.

UST

⁸ At that time, Yahweh chose the tribe of Levi to carry the chest that contained the tablets on which were written the Ten Commandments, and to stand in Yahweh's presence in the sacred tent, to offer sacrifices, and to pray for Yahweh to bless the people. They are still doing those things at the present time.

What tribe had Yahweh chosen to bear the ark of the testimony and to stand before Yahweh?

Yahweh chose the Tribe of Levi to bear the ark and to stand before him to serve him and to bless people in his name.

Deuteronomy 10:9**ULT**

⁹ Therefore Levi has no portion nor inheritance of land with his brothers; Yahweh is his inheritance, as Yahweh your God spoke to him.)

UST

⁹ That is the reason that the tribe of Levi did not receive any land like the other tribes did. What they received was the honor of being Yahweh's priests, which is what he said that they should do.)

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 10:10**ULT**

¹⁰ "I stayed on the mountain as at the first time, forty days and forty nights. Yahweh listened to me that time also; Yahweh did not wish to destroy you.

UST

¹⁰ Moses continued to speak: "I stayed on the mountain forty days and nights, just like I did the first time. I prayed to Yahweh, and he answered my prayers again and said that he would not destroy your ancestors.

How long did Moses stay on the mountain this time?

He stayed on the mountain forty days and forty nights, as at the first time.

Deuteronomy 10:11**ULT**

¹¹ Yahweh said to me, 'Arise, go before the people to lead them on their journey; they will go in and possess the land that I swore to their ancestors to give to them.'

UST

¹¹ Then Yahweh said to me, 'Continue your journey, going in front of the people, to occupy the land that I solemnly promised your ancestors that I would give to you.'

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 10:12**ULT**

¹² Now, Israel, what does Yahweh your God require of you, except to fear Yahweh your God, to walk in all his ways, to love him, and to worship Yahweh your God with all your heart and with all your soul,

UST

¹² "Now, you Israelite people, I will tell you what Yahweh our God says that you do. He requires you to honor him, to conduct your lives as he wants you to, to love him, and to serve him with all that you desire and all that you feel,

What does Moses say that Yahweh requires of Israel? (vv12-13)

Yahweh requires Israel to fear him, walk in all his ways, love him, worship him with all their heart and soul, and to keep his commandments.

Deuteronomy 10:13**ULT**

¹³ to keep the commandments of Yahweh, and his statutes, which I am commanding you today for your own good?

UST

¹³ and to obey all of his commandments which I am giving to you today, so they will help you.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 10:14**ULT**

¹⁴ Behold, to Yahweh your God belongs heaven and the heaven of heavens, the earth, with all that is in them.

UST

¹⁴ Do not forget that Yahweh our God owns even the sky and everything that is in it. He also owns the earth and everything that is on it.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 10:15**ULT**

¹⁵ Only Yahweh took pleasure in your fathers so as to love them, and he chose you, their descendants, after them, more than any of the other peoples, as he does today.

UST

¹⁵ But although he owns all those things, Yahweh also loved your ancestors; from all the people groups on the earth he chose us, their descendants, and we are still his people.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 10:16**ULT**

¹⁶ Therefore circumcise the foreskin of your heart, and be stubborn no longer.

UST

¹⁶ So you must change your inner beings and stop being stubborn.

Why did Moses tell the people to circumcise?

He told them to circumcise the foreskin of their hearts.

Deuteronomy 10:17**ULT**

¹⁷ For Yahweh your God, he is God of gods and Lord of masters, the great God, the mighty one and the fearsome one, who favors no one and takes no bribes.

UST

¹⁷ Yahweh our God is greater than all gods, and he is greater than all rulers. He is very powerful, more than others, and he does not accept bribes.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 10:18**ULT**

¹⁸ He executes justice for the fatherless and widow, and he shows love for the foreigner by giving him food and clothing.

UST

¹⁸ He makes sure that orphans and widows are treated fairly. He loves even foreigners who live among us Israelite people, and he gives them food and clothes.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 10:19**ULT**

¹⁹ Therefore love the foreigner; for you were foreigners in the land of Egypt.

UST

¹⁹ So you must love those foreigners too, because you were once foreigners when you were living in Egypt.

Why should Israel love the foreigner?

Israel should love the foreigner because they were foreigners in the land of Egypt.

Deuteronomy 10:20**ULT**

²⁰ You will fear Yahweh your God; him will you worship. To him you must cling, and by his name will you swear.

UST

²⁰ Be sure to honor Yahweh our God and worship only him. Be faithful to him, and say that he should punish you if you do not do what you promise.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 10:21**ULT**

²¹ He {is} your praise, and he {is} your God, who has done for you these great and fearsome things, which your eyes have seen.

UST

²¹ He is the one whom you must praise. He is our God, and we have seen the great and awesome things that he has done for us.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 10:22**ULT**

²² Your fathers went down into Egypt as seventy persons; now Yahweh your God has made you as many as the stars of the heavens.

UST

²² When our ancestors, Jacob and his family, went down to Egypt, there were only seventy of them. But now Yahweh our God has caused us to be as numerous as the stars in the sky."

How has God blessed the fathers that went down into Egypt?

They went down into Egypt as seventy people and God multiplied them to be as many as the stars of the heavens.

Deuteronomy 11

Deuteronomy 11:1

ULT

¹ Therefore you will love Yahweh your God and always keep his instructions, his statutes, his decrees, and his commandments.

UST

¹ "Because of all that Yahweh your God has done for you, you must love and continually obey all his rules and decrees and commandments.

What four things of Yahweh does Moses tell the people to always keep?

He tells them to always keep Yahweh's instructions, his statutes, his decrees, and his commandments.

Deuteronomy 11:2

ULT

² Notice that {I am} not {speaking} to your children, who have not known nor have they seen the punishment of Yahweh your God, his greatness, his mighty hand, or his outstretched arm,

UST

² It was you and your ancestors, not your children, whom he punished because you disobeyed him, putting you through many difficulties to teach and train you. So starting today, continue to think about how his punishment, his mighty power, and his great strength to do whatever he wants to do to you.

Who did not know or see the punishment of Yahweh and the display of his power in Egypt?

The children of the Israelites did not know or did not see Yahweh's punishment or power in Egypt.

Deuteronomy 11:3

ULT

³ the signs and deeds that he did in the midst of Egypt to Pharaoh, king of Egypt, and to all his land.

UST

³ Remember the many different miracles that he performed in Egypt, miracles that showed how powerful and great he is. Think about what he did to the king of Egypt and to all the land that he ruled.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 11:4**ULT**

⁴ Neither did they see what he did to the army of Egypt, to their horses, or to their chariots, how he made the water of the Sea of Reeds overwhelm them as they pursued after you, and {how} Yahweh has destroyed them until today,

UST

⁴ Your children did not see the army of Egypt, or their horses and their chariots destroyed by Yahweh's power. Your children did not see how Yahweh caused the Sea of Reeds to flood and sweep away the army of Egypt as they were coming after their ancestors. Your children did not understand that Yahweh continues to make Egypt's army weak even to this day.

What did Yahweh use to overwhelm the army of Egypt when they pursued after Israel?

Yahweh made the water of the Red Sea overwhelm the army as they pursued after Israel.

Deuteronomy 11:5**ULT**

⁵ or what he did for you in the wilderness until you came to this place.

UST

⁵ Your children do not know how Yahweh took care of their ancestors in the desert before they all came to this place.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 11:6**ULT**

⁶ They had not seen what Yahweh had done to Dathan and Abiram, the sons of Eliab son of Reuben, how the earth opened its mouth and swallowed them up, their households, their tents, and every living thing that followed them, in the middle of all Israel.

UST

⁶ Think about what he did to Dathan and Abiram, the two sons of Eliab from the tribe of Reuben. While all of your ancestors were watching, the earth split open, and they fell into the opening and disappeared, along with their families and their tents, their servants, and their animals.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 11:7**ULT**

⁷ But your eyes have seen all the great works of Yahweh that he did.

UST

⁷ You and your ancestors have seen all these miracles that Yahweh performed.

What have the eyes of the Israelites seen?

The eyes of the Israelites have seen all the great works that Yahweh did.

Deuteronomy 11:8**ULT**

⁸ Therefore keep all the commandments that I am commanding you today, that you may be strong, and go in and possess the land where you are going over to possess it,

UST

⁸ So obey all the commandments that I am giving you today, in order that you will be strong and able to cross the river and occupy the land that you are about to enter,

What will happen to the people if they keep all the commandments? (vv8-9)

If they keep all the commandments, they will be strong, go in and possess the land, and their days will be prolonged.

Deuteronomy 11:9**ULT**

⁹ and that you may prolong {your} days in the land that Yahweh swore to your fathers to give to them and to their descendants, a land flowing with milk and honey.

UST

⁹ and in order that you will live for a long time in that land, a land that Yahweh solemnly promised your ancestors that he would give to them and to their descendants, a land that is very fertile.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 11:10**ULT**

¹⁰ For the land, where you go in to possess it, is not like the land of Egypt, from where you came, where you sowed your seed and watered {it} with your foot, like a garden of herbs;

UST

¹⁰ The land that you are about to enter and occupy is not like the land of Egypt, where your ancestors lived. In Egypt, after they planted seeds, it was necessary for them to work hard to water the plants that grew.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 11:11**ULT**

¹¹ but the land, where you go over to possess it, {is} a land of hills and valleys, and drinks water of the rain of the heavens,

UST

¹¹ But the land that you are about to enter is a land where there are many hills and valleys, where there is plenty of rain.

How and why is the promised land different from the land of Egypt?

The land is a land of hills and valleys, and drinks water of the rain of the heavens.

Deuteronomy 11:12**ULT**

¹² a land that Yahweh your God cares for; the eyes of Yahweh your God {are} always upon it, from the beginning of the year to the end of the year.

UST

¹² Yahweh takes care of that land. He watches over it every day, from the beginning of each year to the end of each year.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 11:13**ULT**

¹³ It will happen, if you will listen diligently to my commandments that I command you today, to love Yahweh your God and to serve him with all your heart and with all your soul,

UST

¹³ Today I am commanding you to love Yahweh our God and to serve him with your entire inner beings. If you do that,

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 11:14**ULT**

¹⁴ that I will give the rain of your land in its season, the former rain and the latter rain, that you may gather in your grain, your new wine, and your oil.

UST

¹⁴ each year he will send rain on your land at the right times. As a result, you will have grain and grapes to make wine and olives to make olive oil.

What would Yahweh give them if they listen to his commandments, love and serve him with their heart and soul?

Yahweh will give them the former and latter rain, that they may gather their grain, new wine, and oil.

Deuteronomy 11:15**ULT**

¹⁵ I will give grass in your fields for your cattle, and you will eat and be full.

UST

¹⁵ And he will cause grass to grow in your fields for your livestock to eat. You will have all the food that you want.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 11:16**ULT**

¹⁶ Pay attention to yourselves so that your heart is not deceived, and you turn aside and worship other gods and bow down to them;

UST

¹⁶ But I warn you, do not stop worshiping Yahweh our God; do not start to worship other gods,

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 11:17**ULT**

¹⁷ so that the anger of Yahweh is not kindled against you; and so that he does not shut up the heavens so that there will be no rain, and the land will not yield its fruit, and so that you perish quickly from off the good land that Yahweh is giving you.

UST

¹⁷ because if you do that, Yahweh will become very angry with you. He will prevent any rain from falling. As a result, the crops will not grow, and you will soon die from hunger in the good land that Yahweh is about to give to you.

What will Yahweh do if the people turn aside and worship other gods?

He will become angry and shut up the heavens so there will not be any rains.

Deuteronomy 11:18**ULT**

¹⁸ Therefore lay up these words of mine in your heart and soul, bind them as a sign on your hand, and let them be as frontlets between your eyes.

UST

¹⁸ So, keep thinking about what Yahweh has commanded you. Write these words on tiny scrolls and fasten them to your arms, and write them on bands that you fasten to your foreheads to help you to remember them.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 11:19**ULT**

¹⁹ You will teach them to your children and talk about them when you sit in your house, when you walk on the road, when you lie down, and when you get up.

UST

¹⁹ Teach them to your children again and again. Talk about them all the time: When you are in your houses and when you are walking outside; talk about them when you are lying down and when you are doing things.

When should the people of Israel teach their children the commandments of Yahweh?

They should teach their children the commandments when they sit, and walk, and lie down, and get up.

Deuteronomy 11:20**ULT**

²⁰ You will write them on the doorposts of your house and on your city gates,

UST

²⁰ Write them on the doorposts and on the gates of your cities.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 11:21**ULT**

²¹ that your days and the days of your children may be multiplied in the land that Yahweh swore to your ancestors to give them for as long as the heavens are above the earth.

UST

²¹ Do that in order that you and your children will live for such a very long time in the land that Yahweh promised to our ancestors that he would give to them. That land will belong to you and your descendants as long as there is a sky above the earth.

What should the people do so that their days and the days of their children may be multiplied?

They will write the commandments on the doorposts of their house and on their city gates.

Deuteronomy 11:22**ULT**

²² For if you diligently keep all these commandments that I am commanding you, so as to do them, to love Yahweh your God, to walk in all his ways, and to cling to him,

UST

²² Faithfully continue to obey what I am commanding you to do—to love Yahweh our God, and to conduct your lives as he wants you to do, and to be faithful to him.

If the people keep all the commandments of Yahweh and cling to him, what will he do for them? (vv22-23)

Yahweh will drive out all the nations before them and they will dispossess larger and mightier nations than themselves.

Deuteronomy 11:23**ULT**

²³ then Yahweh will drive out all these nations from before you, and you will dispossess nations larger and mightier than yourselves.

UST

²³ If you do that, Yahweh will drive out all the people groups in that land as you advance, people groups that are more numerous and more powerful than you are.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 11:24**ULT**

²⁴ Every place where the sole of your foot will tread will be yours; from the wilderness to Lebanon, from the river, the Euphrates River, to the western sea will be your border.

UST

²⁴ All the ground in that land on which you walk will be yours. Your territory will extend from the desert in the south to the Lebanon Mountains in the north, and from the Euphrates River in the east to the Mediterranean Sea in the west.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 11:25**ULT**

²⁵ No man will be able to stand before you. Yahweh your God will lay the fear of you and the terror of you upon all the land that you tread on, as he has said to you.

UST

²⁵ Yahweh our God will cause all the people in that land to be very afraid of you, which is what he promised, with the result that no people group will be able to stop you.

Why would no man be able to stand before Israel?

Yahweh will put the fear and terror of Israel upon all that land.

Deuteronomy 11:26**ULT**

²⁶ Look, I set before you today a blessing and a curse:

UST

²⁶ Listen carefully: Today I am telling you that Yahweh will either bless you or he will curse you.

What did Moses set before Israel that day?

He set before them a blessing and a curse.

Deuteronomy 11:27**ULT**

²⁷ the blessing, if you obey the commandments of Yahweh your God that I command you today,

UST

²⁷ If you obey the commandments of Yahweh our God that I am giving to you today, he will bless you.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 11:28**ULT**

²⁸ and the curse, if you do not obey the commandments of Yahweh your God, but turn aside from the way that I command you today, to go after other gods that you have not known.

UST

²⁸ But if you do not obey them, and if you stop worshiping him and start worshiping other gods to whom you were never faithful before, he will curse you.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 11:29**ULT**

²⁹ It will happen, when Yahweh your God brings you into the land which you go to possess, that you will set the blessing on Mount Gerizim, and the curse on Mount Ebal.

UST

²⁹ And when Yahweh brings you into the land that you are about to enter and occupy, some of you must stand on top of Mount Gerizim and proclaim what will cause Yahweh to bless you, and the others must stand on top of Mount Ebal and proclaim what will cause Yahweh to curse you."

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 11:30**ULT**

³⁰ {Are} they not beyond the Jordan, west of the western road, in the land of the Canaanites who live in the Arabah, over against Gilgal, beside the oaks of Moreh?

UST

³⁰ (Those two mountains are west of the Jordan River, west of the plain along the Jordan, in the land where the Canaanites live. They live close to the sacred trees near Gilgal.)

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 11:31

ULT

³¹ For you are to cross over the Jordan to go in to possess the land that Yahweh your God is giving you, and you will possess it and live in it.

UST

³¹ "You will soon cross the Jordan River to occupy the land that Yahweh our God is giving to you. When you enter that land and start to live there,

Where must the people go in order to possess the land?

They must cross over the Jordan to possess and live in the land.

Deuteronomy 11:32

ULT

³² You will keep all the statutes and the decrees that I set before you today.

UST

³² be sure to obey all the rules and decrees that I am giving to you today."

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 12

Deuteronomy 12:1

ULT

¹ These {are} the statutes and the decrees that you will keep in the land that Yahweh, the God of your fathers, has given you to possess, all the days that you live on the earth.

UST

¹ "I will now tell you the rules and decrees that you must faithfully obey in the land that Yahweh, the God whom our ancestors worshiped, is giving to you to occupy. You must obey these laws all the time that you are alive.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 12:2

ULT

² You will surely destroy all the places where the nations that you will dispossess worshiped their gods, on the high mountains, on the hills, and under every green tree.

UST

² When you drive out those people groups whose land you will take, you must destroy all the places where they worshiped their gods, places on the tops of mountains and hills and beside large trees.

What places did Moses tell Israel to destroy?

They were to destroy all the places where the nations that Israel dispossessed had worshiped their gods.

Deuteronomy 12:3

ULT

³ You must break down their altars, dash in pieces their stone pillars, and burn their Asherah poles. You must cut down the carved figures of their gods and destroy their name out of that place.

UST

³ You must tear down their altars and smash their pillars. Burn the statues of their goddess Asherah and chop down their carved figures, in order that no one will ever worship them in those places again.

What does Yahweh instruct the people of Israel do to the name of the gods of the nations?

He told Israel to destroy their name out of that place.

Deuteronomy 12:4**ULT**

⁴ You will not worship Yahweh your God like that.

UST

⁴ Do not worship Yahweh like the people in Canaan worship their gods.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 12:5**ULT**

⁵ But to the place that Yahweh your God will choose out of all your tribes to put his name, that will be the place where he lives, and it is there that you will go.

UST

⁵ Instead, you must go to the place that Yahweh will choose. It will be in the area where one of your tribes will live. That is where you must enter Yahweh's presence and worship him.

In what place were the people of Israel to go and bring their burnt offerings, their sacrifices, their tithes, and the offerings.

They were to go to the place that Yahweh their God would choose.

Deuteronomy 12:6**ULT**

⁶ It is there that you will bring your burnt offerings, your sacrifices, your tithes, and the offerings presented by your hand, your offerings for vows, your freewill offerings, and the firstborn of your herds and flocks.

UST

⁶ That is the place where you must bring your sacrifices that the priests will burn whole on the altar, and your other sacrifices that you yourselves present to me, your tithes, other offerings that you promise to give me, the firstborn animals from your cattle and sheep, or any other kind of offering.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 12:7**ULT**

⁷ It is there that you will eat before Yahweh your God and rejoice about everything that you have put your hand to, you and your households, where Yahweh your God has blessed you.

UST

⁷ There, in the presence of Yahweh our God, you and your families will eat the good things that you have worked to produce, and you will be happy, because he has blessed you very, very much.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 12:8**ULT**

⁸ You will not do all the things that we are doing here today; now everyone is doing whatever {is} right in his own eyes;

UST

⁸ When you are in that land, you must not do some of the things that we have been doing. Until now, you have all been worshipping Yahweh the way you want to,

What kinds of things were the people of Israel doing?

They were doing whatever was right in their own eyes.

Deuteronomy 12:9**ULT**

⁹ for you have not yet come to the rest, to the inheritance that Yahweh your God is giving you.

UST

⁹ because you have not yet arrived in the land which he will allow you to permanently possess, where you will be able to live peacefully.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 12:10**ULT**

¹⁰ But {when} you go over the Jordan and live in the land that Yahweh your God is causing you to inherit, and he will give you rest from all your enemies round about, so that you live in safety.

UST

¹⁰ But when you cross the Jordan River, you will start to live in the land that Yahweh our God is giving to you. He will protect you from all your enemies that will surround you, and you will live peacefully.

What kind of rest will Yahweh give to Israel when they go over the Jordan?

He will give them rest from all their enemies round about, so they will live in safety.

Deuteronomy 12:11**ULT**

¹¹ Then to the place where Yahweh your God will choose to cause his name to live there—there you will bring everything I command you: your burnt offerings, your sacrifices, your tithes, and the offerings presented by your hand, and all your choice offerings for vows that you will vow to Yahweh.

UST

¹¹ Yahweh will choose one place where he wants you to worship him. That is the place to which you must bring all the offerings that I command you to bring: The sacrifices that the priests will burn whole on the altar, your other sacrifices, other offerings that you yourselves decide to present, your tithes, and all the special offerings that you will solemnly promise to give to Yahweh.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 12:12**ULT**

¹² You will rejoice before Yahweh your God—you, your sons, your daughters, your male servants, your female servants, and the Levites who {are} within your gate, because he has no portion or inheritance among you.

UST

¹² Rejoice there in the presence of Yahweh, along with your children, your male and female servants, and the descendants of Levi who live in your towns. Do not forget that the descendants of Levi will not have their own land, like you do.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 12:13**ULT**

¹³ Pay attention to yourself that you do not offer your burnt offerings at every place that you see;

UST

¹³ Be sure that you do not offer burnt animals as sacrifices anywhere you want to.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 12:14**ULT**

¹⁴ but it is at the place that Yahweh will choose among one of your tribes that you will offer your burnt offerings, and there you will do everything that I command you.

UST

¹⁴ You must offer them only in the place that Yahweh will choose for you, in an area that belongs to one of your tribes. That is the only place where he wants you to offer sacrifices that the priests will burn whole on the altar, and to do the other things that I am commanding you to do when you worship him.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 12:15**ULT**

¹⁵ However, you may kill and eat animals within all your gates, as you wish, receiving the blessing of Yahweh your God for all that he has given you; the unclean and the clean persons both may eat of it, animals such as the gazelle and the deer.

UST

¹⁵ However, God will permit you to kill and eat the meat of your animals in the places where you live. As often as you want to, you may eat meat from the animals that Yahweh our God will bless you by giving them to you. Those who are at that time clean or unclean may all eat that meat, just like you would eat the meat of a deer or an antelope.

What animals can Israel kill and eat?

Israel can kill and eat animals within all their gates.

Deuteronomy 12:16**ULT**

¹⁶ But you will not eat the blood; you will pour it out on the earth like water.

UST

¹⁶ But you must not eat the blood of any animal; you must let the blood drain onto the ground before you cook the meat.

What was Israel not allowed to eat?

Israel was not allowed to eat the blood, but must pour it out on the earth like water.

Deuteronomy 12:17**ULT**

¹⁷ You may not eat within your gates from the tithe of your grain, your new wine, your oil, or the firstborn of your herd or flock; and you may not eat any of the meat you sacrifice along with any of your vows that you make, nor that of your freewill offerings, nor that of the offering you present with your hand.

UST

¹⁷ In the places where you live, you must not eat the things that you are offering to Yahweh: You must not eat the tithes of your grain or of your wine, or of your olive oil, or the firstborn of your cattle and sheep, or the offerings that you yourselves decide to present to Yahweh, or any other offerings.

Where was Israel told they could not eat their tithes and sacrifices?

They could not eat them within their gates.

Deuteronomy 12:18**ULT**

¹⁸ Instead, you will eat them before Yahweh your God in the place that Yahweh your God will choose—you, your son, your daughter, your male servant, your female servant, and the Levite who {is} within your gates; you will rejoice before Yahweh your God about everything to which you put your hand.

UST

¹⁸ Instead, you and your children and your male and female servants and the descendants of Levi who live in your towns must eat those things in the presence of Yahweh in the place that he chooses. And you should be happy about everything that you have done.

Where were the people of Israel to eat their tithes and sacrifices?

They were to eat them before Yahweh their God in the place that he will choose.

Deuteronomy 12:19**ULT**

¹⁹ Pay attention to yourself so that you do not forsake the Levite as long as you live on your land.

UST

¹⁹ Be sure that you take care of the descendants of Levi all during the time that you live in your land.

What was Israel told not to forget?

They were told to not forget the Levite as long as they live in the land of Israel.

Deuteronomy 12:20**ULT**

²⁰ When Yahweh your God enlarges your borders, as he has promised you, and you say, 'I will eat flesh,' because of your desire to eat meat, you may eat meat, as your soul desires.

UST

²⁰ When Yahweh our God gives you much more land than you will have at first—and he has promised to do this, and when you say, 'I would like some meat to eat,' you are permitted to eat meat whenever you want to.

What can Israel eat when Yahweh their God enlarges their borders as he has promised them?

Israel can eat meat, as their soul desires.

Deuteronomy 12:21**ULT**

²¹ If the place that Yahweh your God chooses to put his name is too far from you, then you will kill some of your herd and your flock that Yahweh has given you, as I have commanded you; you may eat within your gates, as your soul desires.

UST

²¹ If the place that Yahweh our God chooses to be the place for you to worship him is far from where you live, you are permitted to kill some of your cattle or sheep that Yahweh has given to you, and you may eat that meat in the town where you live, just like I have told you to do.

What can Israel eat if the place that Yahweh their God chooses to put his name is too far from them?

If the place that Yahweh Israel's God chooses to put his name is too far from Israel, then Israel may kill some of their flock that Yahweh has given them.

Deuteronomy 12:22**ULT**

²² Like the gazelle and the deer are eaten, so you will eat of it; the unclean and the clean persons may eat of it alike.

UST

²² Those who are either clean or unclean at the time may eat that meat, just like you would eat the meat of a deer or an antelope.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 12:23**ULT**

²³ Only be sure that you do not consume the blood, for the blood is the life; you will not eat the life with the meat.

UST

²³ But be sure that you do not eat the blood of any animal, because it is the blood that sustains life in living beings. You must not eat the life along with the meat.

What is Israel supposed to do with the blood of life? (vv23-24)

Israel should not eat the blood of life, but should pour it out on the earth like water.

Deuteronomy 12:24**ULT**

²⁴ You will not eat it; you will pour it out on the earth like water.

UST

²⁴ Do not eat the blood; instead, let it drain onto the ground.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 12:25**ULT**

²⁵ You will not eat it, so that it may go well with you, and with your children after you, when you will do {what is} right in the eyes of Yahweh.

UST

²⁵ If you obey this command and do what Yahweh says is right for you to do, things will go well for you and for your descendants.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 12:26**ULT**

²⁶ But the things that belong to Yahweh that you have and the offerings for your vows—you will take these and go to the place that Yahweh chooses.

UST

²⁶ But the offerings that Yahweh has told you to set aside for him, and the other offerings that you yourselves decide to give, you must take to the place that he will choose.

What is Israel instructed to take and go to the place that Yahweh chooses?

Israel is to take the consecrated things that they have and the offerings of their vows to the place that Yahweh chooses.

Deuteronomy 12:27**ULT**

²⁷ There you will offer your burnt offerings, the meat and the blood, on the altar of Yahweh your God; the blood of your sacrifices will be poured out on the altar of Yahweh your God, and you will eat the flesh.

UST

²⁷ There the priest will burn those offerings on Yahweh's altar. He will kill the animals, drain out the blood, and throw some of it onto the sides of the altar. And you may eat some of that meat.

Where is Israel to offer their burnt offerings, the meat and the blood, on the altar of Yahweh your God?

Israel is to go to the place that Yahweh chooses to offer their burnt offerings, the meat and the blood, on the altar of Yahweh their God.

Deuteronomy 12:28**ULT**

²⁸ Observe and listen to all these words that I command you, that it may go well with you and with your children after you forever, when you do what is good and right in the eyes of Yahweh your God.

UST

²⁸ Faithfully obey all these things that I have commanded you. If you do that, things will go well forever for you and your descendants, because you will be doing what Yahweh our God says is right for you to do and what pleases him.

What is Israel instructed to do so that it may go well with them and with their children after them forever?

Israel is to observe and listen to all the words that Yahweh commands them and do what is good and right in the eyes of Yahweh their God so that it may go well with them and with their children after them forever.

Deuteronomy 12:29**ULT**

²⁹ When Yahweh your God cuts off the nations from before you, when you go in to dispossess them, and you dispossess them, and live in their land,

UST

²⁹ When you enter the land that you will occupy, as you advance, Yahweh our God will destroy the people groups that live there.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 12:30**ULT**

³⁰ pay attention to yourself that you are not trapped into following them, after they are destroyed from before you—trapped into investigating their gods, into asking, ‘How do these nations worship their gods? I will do the same.’

UST

³⁰ After he does that, be sure that you do not worship the gods that they have been worshiping, because if you do that, it will be like a trap that will catch you. Do not ask anyone about those gods, saying, ‘Tell me how they worshiped their gods, in order that I can worship Yahweh in the same way.’

What does Yahweh instruct Israel to watch out for when God cuts off the nations before them and when Israel goes in to dispossess them and live in their land?

Israel is to pay attention so that they are not trapped into following or investigating the gods of those nations from before them.

Deuteronomy 12:31**ULT**

³¹ You must not worship Yahweh your God in that way, for everything that is an abomination to Yahweh, things that he hates—they have done these with their gods; they even burn their sons and their daughters in fire for their gods.

UST

³¹ Do not try to worship Yahweh our God like they have worshiped their gods, because when they worship them, they do disgusting things, things that Yahweh hates. The worst thing that they do is that they sacrifice their own children and burn them on their altars.

What have the other nations done to their sons and daughters in order to worship the gods?

The other nations have even burned their sons and daughters in fire for these other gods.

Deuteronomy 12:32**ULT**

³² Whatever I command you, observe it. Do not add to it or take away from it.

UST

³² Be sure to do everything that I have commanded you to do. Do not add anything to these commands, and do not take anything away from them.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 13

Deuteronomy 13:1

ULT

¹ If there arises among you a prophet or a dreamer of dreams, and if he gives you a sign or a wonder,

UST

¹ Possibly there will be people among you who say that they are prophets. They may say that they are able to interpret the meaning of dreams or perform various kinds of miracles.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 13:2

ULT

² and if the sign or the wonder comes about, of which he spoke to you and said, 'Let us go after other gods, that you have not known, and let us worship them,'

UST

² They will say those things in order to induce you to worship gods that you have never known about before. But even if what they predict happens,

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 13:3

ULT

³ do not listen to the words of that prophet, or to that dreamer of dreams; for Yahweh your God is testing you to know whether you love Yahweh your God with all your heart and with all your soul.

UST

³ do not pay attention to what they say. Yahweh our God will be testing you to find out if you love him with all your inner being.

Why should the people of Israel not listen to the words of a prophet or dreamer of dreams who gives a sign or a wonder and says "Let us go after other gods, that you have not known and let us worship them."

The people of Israel should not listen because Yahweh is testing the them to know whether they love him with all their heart and with all their soul.

Deuteronomy 13:4**ULT**

⁴ You will walk after Yahweh your God, honor him, keep his commandments, and obey his voice, and you will worship him and cling to him.

UST

⁴ You must conduct your lives as Yahweh our God wants you to, and you must honor him, do what he tells you to do, and trust in him.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 13:5**ULT**

⁵ That prophet or that dreamer of dreams will be put to death, because he has spoken rebellion against Yahweh your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, and who redeemed you out of the house of bondage. That prophet wants to draw you out of the way in which Yahweh your God commanded you to walk. So put away the evil from among you.

UST

⁵ But you must execute anyone who falsely says that he is a prophet, or someone who falsely says that he can interpret dreams, or who tells you to rebel against Yahweh our God, who rescued your ancestors from being slaves in Egypt. People like that are only wanting to cause you to stop living as Yahweh has commanded you to do. Execute them to get rid of this evil among you.

What should the people of Israel do to the prophet or dreamer of dreams who tells them to worship other gods?

They should put to death that prophet or dreamer of dreams.

Deuteronomy 13:6**ULT**

⁶ Suppose that your brother, the son of your mother, or your son, or your daughter, or the wife of your bosom, or your friend who is to you like your own soul, secretly entices you and says, 'Let us go and worship other gods that you have not known, {neither} you nor your ancestors—

UST

⁶ It does not matter if even your brother or your daughter or your wife or some close friend secretly urges you and says 'Let us worship other gods, gods that neither you nor your ancestors have never known about.'

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 13:7**ULT**

⁷ any of the gods of the peoples that {are} round about you, near to you, or far off from you, from the {one} end of the earth to the {other} end of the earth.'

UST

⁷ Some of them may encourage you to worship gods that people groups that live near you worship, or gods that groups who live far away worship.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 13:8**ULT**

⁸ You must not give in to him or listen to him, and you must not permit your eye to pity him, and you must not spare him or conceal him.

UST

⁸ Do not do what they suggest. Do not even listen to them. Do not act mercifully toward them, and do not keep secret what they have done.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 13:9**ULT**

⁹ Instead, you will surely kill him; your hand will be the first on him to put him to death, and afterwards the hand of all the people.

UST

⁹ Execute them! You be the first one to throw stones at them to kill them; then everyone else must throw stones at them, too.

What have the people of Israel been instructed to do to anyone who secretly entices them and says "Let us go and worship other gods that you have not known?"

They must surely kill anyone who entices them to worship other gods.

Deuteronomy 13:10**ULT**

¹⁰ You will stone him to death with stones, because he has tried to draw you away from Yahweh your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage.

UST

¹⁰ Kill such people by throwing stones at them, because they are trying to cause you to stop worshiping Yahweh our God, who rescued your ancestors from being slaves in Egypt.

How should the people of Israel kill the person who tries to draw them away from Yahweh their God?

They should stone that person to death with stones.

Deuteronomy 13:11**ULT**

¹¹ All Israel will hear and fear, and will not continue to do this kind of wickedness among you.

UST

¹¹ When they are executed, all the Israelite people will hear what happened, and they will become afraid, and none of them will do such an evil thing again.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 13:12**ULT**

¹² If you hear anyone say about one of your cities, that Yahweh your God gives you to live in:

UST

¹² When you are living in one of the towns in the land that Yahweh our God is giving to you, you may hear

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 13:13**ULT**

¹³ Some wicked fellows have gone out from among you and have drawn away the inhabitants of their city and said, 'Let us go and worship other gods that you have not known.'

UST

¹³ that some worthless people among you are deceiving the people of their town, saying, 'Let us go and worship other gods.'

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 13:14**ULT**

¹⁴ Then you will examine the evidence, make search, and investigate it thoroughly. When you discover that it is true {and} certain {that} such an abominable thing has been done among you, then you will take action.

UST

¹⁴ Examine the facts about it thoroughly. Suppose you find out that it is true that such a disgraceful thing has happened.

What shall the people of Israel do if they hear anyone say that wicked fellows have gone out from one of their cities and said "Let us go and worship other gods?"

They should make search and investigate it thoroughly, so see if it is true.

Deuteronomy 13:15**ULT**

¹⁵ You will surely attack the inhabitants of that city with the edge of the sword, completely destroy it and all the people who are in it, along with its livestock, with the edge of the sword.

UST

¹⁵ Then kill all the people in that town. And kill all their livestock, too. Destroy the town completely.

What should Israel do to a city if they learn it is true that the inhabitants said to go and worship other gods?

They should attack the inhabitants of that city with the edge of the sword and destroy it completely.

Deuteronomy 13:16**ULT**

¹⁶ You will gather all the spoil from it into the middle of its street and will burn the city, as well as all its spoil—for Yahweh your God. The city will be a heap of ruins forever; it must never be built again.

UST

¹⁶ Gather all the possessions that belonged to the people who lived there and pile them up in the city plaza. Then burn the town and everything in it, as though it were an offering to Yahweh that was completely burned on the altar. The ruins must stay there forever; the town must never be rebuilt.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 13:17**ULT**

¹⁷ None of those things set apart for destruction must stick in your hand. This must be the case, so that Yahweh will turn from the fierceness of his anger, show you mercy, have compassion on you, and make you increase in numbers, as he has sworn to your fathers.

UST

¹⁷ You must not take for yourselves anything that Yahweh has said must be destroyed, because if you do what I say, Yahweh will stop being angry with you, and he will act mercifully toward you. And he will cause you to have many children, which is what he promised our ancestors that he would do.

Why must not happen to the things consigned for destruction?

Those things must not stick to Israel's hand, so that Yahweh will turn from the fierceness of his anger.

Deuteronomy 13:18**ULT**

¹⁸ He will do this because you are listening to the voice of Yahweh your God, to keep all his commandments that I am commanding you today, to do that which is right in the eyes of Yahweh your God.

UST

¹⁸ Yahweh our God will do all those things if you do what he is telling you to do, and if you obey all the commandments that I am giving to you today and do what Yahweh says is right for you to do.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 14

Deuteronomy 14:1

ULT

¹ You {are} the people of Yahweh your God. Do not cut yourselves, nor shave any part of your face for the dead.

UST

¹ We are people who belong to Yahweh our God. So when people die, do not show that you are grieving by gashing yourselves or by shaving the hair on your foreheads like the other people groups do.

What does Moses instruct the people of Yahweh not to do?

They are not to cut themselves, nor shave any part of their face for the dead.

Deuteronomy 14:2

ULT

² For you {are} a nation that is set apart to Yahweh your God, and Yahweh has chosen you to be a people for his own possession, more than all peoples that are on the surface of the earth.

UST

² We belong to Yahweh alone. Yahweh chose us from all the other people groups on the earth to be his special people.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 14:3

ULT

³ You must not eat any abominable thing.

UST

³ Do not eat anything that Yahweh detests.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 14:4**ULT**

⁴ These are the animals that you may eat: the ox, the sheep, and the goat,

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⁴ The animals whose meat you are permitted to eat are cattle, sheep, goats,

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 14:5**ULT**

⁵ the deer, the gazelle, the roebuck, the wild goat, and ibex, and the antelope, and the mountain sheep.

UST

⁵ all kinds of deer, gazelles, wild goats, and mountain sheep.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 14:6**ULT**

⁶ You may eat any animals that parts the hoof, that is, that has the hoof divided in two, {and that} chews the cud.

UST

⁶ Those are animals that have split hooves and that also chew the cud.

What are the two characteristics of the animals that the Israelites are allowed to eat?

Israel may eat any animal that parts the hoof and that also chews the cud.

Deuteronomy 14:7**ULT**

⁷ Nevertheless, you must not eat some animals that chew the cud or that have the hoof divided in two: the camel, the rabbit, and the rock badger; because they chew the cud but do not part the hoof, {they are} unclean to you.

UST

⁷ But there are other animals that chew the cud that you must not eat. Those are camels, rabbits, and rock badgers. They chew the cud, but their hooves are not split. So they are not acceptable for you to eat.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 14:8**ULT**

⁸ The pig is unclean to you as well because he parts the hoof but does not chew the cud; he is unclean to you. Do not eat pig meat, and do not touch their carcasses.

UST

⁸ Do not eat pigs. They are unacceptable for you to eat; their hooves are split, but they do not chew the cud. Do not eat the meat of those animals; do not even touch their dead bodies.

Why is the pig not to be eaten?

The pig is unclean for the Israelites because he parts the hoof but does not chew the cud.

Deuteronomy 14:9**ULT**

⁹ Of these things that {are} in water you may eat: whatever has fins and scales;

UST

⁹ You are permitted to eat any fish that has scales and fins.

What are the characteristics of the things from the water that the Israelites are allowed to eat?

They may eat whatever has both fins and scales.

Deuteronomy 14:10**ULT**

¹⁰ but whatever has no fins and scales you must not eat; they {are} unclean to you.

UST

¹⁰ But anything else that lives in the water that does not have scales and fins, you must not eat, because they must be unacceptable to you.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 14:11

ULT

¹¹ All clean birds you may eat.

UST

¹¹ You are permitted to eat the flesh of any bird that is acceptable to Yahweh.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 14:12

ULT

¹² But these are the birds that you must not eat: the eagle, the vulture, the osprey,

UST

¹² But eagles, vultures, osprey,

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 14:13

ULT

¹³ the red kite and black kite, any kind of falcon.

UST

¹³ buzzards, and all kinds of kites you may not eat.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 14:14

ULT

¹⁴ You must not eat any kind of raven,

UST

¹⁴ You are not permitted to eat all kinds of crows and ravens,

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 14:15

ULT

¹⁵ and the ostrich, and the night hawk, the sea gull, any kind of hawk,

UST

¹⁵ and the ostrich, and the night hawk, the sea gull, no kind of hawk,

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 14:16

ULT

¹⁶ the little owl, the great owl, the white owl,

UST

¹⁶ the little owl, the great owl, the white owl,

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 14:17

ULT

¹⁷ the pelican, the osprey, the cormorant.

UST

¹⁷ pelicans, vultures that eat dead animals, cormorants.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 14:18

ULT

¹⁸ You must not eat the stork, any kind of heron, the hoopoe, and the bat.

UST

¹⁸ And you are not permitted to eat the stork, any kind of heron, the hoopoe, and the bat you must not eat.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 14:19**ULT**

¹⁹ All winged, swarming things are unclean to you; they must not be eaten.

UST

¹⁹ All insects with wings and which swarm are unacceptable to Yahweh; do not eat them.

Are the Israelites allowed to eat winged swarming things?

All winged, swarming things are unclean for the Israelites and must not be eaten.

Deuteronomy 14:20**ULT**

²⁰ You may eat all clean flying things.

UST

²⁰ But other insects with wings are acceptable to eat.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 14:21**ULT**

²¹ You must not eat of anything that dies {of itself}; you may give it to the foreigner who {is} within your towns, that he may eat it; or you may sell it to a foreigner. For you {are} a nation that is set apart to Yahweh your God. You must not boil a young goat in its mother's milk.

UST

²¹ Do not eat any animal that has died naturally. You may allow foreigners who live among you to eat those things, or you may sell them to other foreigners. But you belong to Yahweh our God; those who belong to him are not permitted to eat the flesh of animals whose blood has not been drained out. You must not cook a young sheep or goat in its mother's milk."

May the Israelites eat anything that dies of itself?

They may not eat anything that dies of itself, but they may give it to a foreigner.

Why could the Israelites not do to a young goat?

They must not boil a young goat in its mother's milk.

Deuteronomy 14:22**ULT**

²² You must surely tithe all the yield of your seed, that which comes out from the field year after year.

UST

²² "Once each year you must set apart a tenth of all the crops that are produced in your fields.

What are the Israelites to do with all the yield of their seed?

Israelites must surely tithe all the yield of their seed.

Deuteronomy 14:23**ULT**

²³ You must eat before Yahweh your God, in the place that he will choose as his sanctuary, the tithe of your grain, of your new wine, and of your oil, and the firstborn of your herd and your flock; that you may learn to always honor Yahweh your God.

UST

²³ Take them to the place that Yahweh our God will choose for you to worship him. There you must eat the tenth of your grain, your wine, your olive oil, and the meat of the firstborn male animals of your cattle and your sheep. Do this in order that you may learn to always honor Yahweh, the one who has blessed you by giving you these things.

Where must the Israelites eat the tithe of their grain, of their new wine, and of their oil, and the firstborn of their herd and their flock?

Israel must eat the tithe of their grain, of their new wine, and of their oil, and the firstborn of their herd and their flock in the place that he will choose as his sanctuary.

Deuteronomy 14:24**ULT**

²⁴ If the journey is too long for you so that you are not able to carry it, because the place that Yahweh your God will choose as his sanctuary is too far from you, then, when Yahweh God blesses you,

UST

²⁴ If the place that Yahweh has chosen for you to worship him is very far from your home, with the result that you are not able to take there the tithes of your crops with which Yahweh has blessed you, do this:

What are the Israelites allowed to do with the tithe if the place that Yahweh will choose as his sanctuary is too far away? (vv24-25)

They can convert the offering into money, tie up the money in their hand, and go to the place that Yahweh has chosen if the journey is too long for them so that they can not carry the tithe.

Deuteronomy 14:25**ULT**

²⁵ you will convert the offering into money, tie up the money in your hand, and go to the place that Yahweh your God will choose.

UST

²⁵ Sell the tenth of your crops, wrap the money carefully in a cloth, and take it with you to the place of worship that Yahweh has chosen.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 14:26**ULT**

²⁶ There you will spend the money for whatever you desire: for oxen, or for sheep, or for wine, or for strong drink, or for whatever you desire; you will eat there before Yahweh your God, and you will rejoice, you and your household.

UST

²⁶ There, with that money, you may buy whatever you want to—beef or lamb or wine or fermented drinks. And there, in the presence of Yahweh, you and your families should eat and drink those things and be happy.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 14:27**ULT**

²⁷ The Levite who {is} within your gates—do not forsake him, for he has no portion nor inheritance with you.

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²⁷ But be sure to not neglect to help the descendants of Levi who live in your towns, because they will not own any land.

Who has no inheritance with the Israelites and must not be forsaken?

The Levite who is within their gates has no inheritance and must not be forsaken.

Deuteronomy 14:28**ULT**

²⁸ At the end of every three years you will present all the tithe of your produce in the same year, and you will store {it} up within your gates;

UST

²⁸ At the end of every three years, bring a tithe of all your crops that have been produced in that year and store it in your towns.

What are the Israelites instructed to do at the end of every three years? (vv28-29)

At the end of every three years the Israelites are to present all the tithe of their produce in the same year to the Levite, the foreigner, the fatherless, and the widow.

Deuteronomy 14:29**ULT**

²⁹ and the Levite, because he has no portion nor inheritance with you, and the foreigner, and the fatherless, and the widow who {are} within your gates, will come and eat and be satisfied. Do this so that Yahweh your God may bless you in all the work of your hand that you do.

UST

²⁹ That food will be for the descendants of Levi, because they will not have their own land, and for the foreigners who live among you, and for orphans and widows who live in your towns. They are permitted to come to where the food is stored and take what they need. Do that in order that Yahweh our God will bless you in everything that you do.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 15

Deuteronomy 15:1

ULT

¹ At the end of {every} seven years, you must cancel debts.

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¹ At the end of every seven years, you must cancel all debts.

What must the Israelites do at the end of every seven years?

At the end of every seven years the Israelites must cancel debts.

Deuteronomy 15:2

ULT

² This is the manner of the release: Every creditor will cancel that which he has lent to his neighbor; he will not demand {it} from his neighbor or his brother because Yahweh's cancellation of debts has been proclaimed.

UST

² Do it like this: Each of you who has lent money to a fellow Israelite must cancel that debt. You must not insist that he pay it back. You must do that because Yahweh has declared that the debts must be canceled every seven years.

Why is every debt to be canceled every seven years?

Every creditor will cancel that which he has lent to his neighbor or his brother because Yahweh's cancellation of debt has been proclaimed.

Deuteronomy 15:3

ULT

³ From a foreigner you may demand it; but whatever of yours is with your brother your hand must release.

UST

³ During that year you may require foreigners who live among you to pay what they owe you, but you must not demand that from any fellow Israelite.

From whom can Israelites continue to demand payment at the end of every seven years?

The Israelites can continue to demand payment of a debt from a foreigner.

Deuteronomy 15:4**ULT**

⁴ However, there should be no poor among you (for Yahweh will surely bless you in the land that he gives you {as} an inheritance to possess),

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⁴⁻⁵ Yahweh our God will bless you in the land that he is giving to you. If you obey Yahweh our God and obey all the commandments that I am giving to you today, there will not be any poor people among you.

Why will there be no poor among the Israelites?

Yahweh will surely bless them in the land that he gives to Israel as an inheritance to possess.

Deuteronomy 15:5**ULT**

⁵ if only you diligently listen to the voice of Yahweh your God, to keep all these commandments that I am commanding you today.

UST

⁴⁻⁵ Yahweh our God will bless you in the land that he is giving to you. If you obey Yahweh our God and obey all the commandments that I am giving to you today, there will not be any poor people among you.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 15:6**ULT**

⁶ For Yahweh your God will bless you, as he promised you; you will lend to many nations, but you will not borrow; you will rule over many nations, but they will not rule over you.

UST

⁶ Yahweh our God will bless you like he has promised to do, and you will be able to lend money to people of other people groups, but you will not need to borrow from any of them. You will control the finances of many people groups, but they will not control your finances.

What will happen to the Israelites to demonstrate that Yahweh the God of Israel has blessed them?

Israel will lend to many nations, but will not borrow; Israel will rule over many nations, but the other nations will not rule over Israel.

Deuteronomy 15:7**ULT**

⁷ If there is a poor man among you, one of your brothers, within any of your gates in your land that Yahweh your God is giving you, you must not harden your heart nor shut your hand from your poor brother;

UST

⁷ In the towns that Yahweh our God is giving to you, if there are any Israelites who are poor, do not be selfish and refuse to help them.

What are the Israelites told to do if there is a poor man among them?

The Israelites are told not to harden their heart nor shut their hand from their poor brother.

Deuteronomy 15:8**ULT**

⁸ but you must surely open your hand to him and surely lend him sufficient for his need.

UST

⁸ Instead, be generous and lend them the money that they need.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 15:9**ULT**

⁹ Be careful not to have a wicked thought in your heart, saying, 'The seventh year, the year of release, is near,' so that you will not be stingy in regard to your poor brother and give him nothing; he might cry out to Yahweh about you, and it would be sin for you.

UST

⁹ Be sure that you do not say to yourself, 'The year when debts will be canceled is near, so I do not want to lend anyone any money now, because he will not need to pay it back when that year comes.' It would be evil to even think that. If you act in an unfriendly way toward a needy fellow Israelite, and give him nothing, he will cry out to Yahweh against you, and Yahweh will say that you have sinned by not helping that person.

What should the Israelites be careful to not to do when the seventh year, the year of release is near?

They should not refuse to give to a poor brother at a time when the seventh year, the year of release, is near.

Deuteronomy 15:10**ULT**

¹⁰ You must surely give to him, and your heart must not be sorry when you give to him, because in return for this Yahweh your God will bless you in all your work and in all that you put your hand to.

UST

¹⁰ Give freely to poor people and give generously. If you do that, Yahweh will bless you in everything that you do.

What will Yahweh do for the Israelites in return for giving to the poor at a time when the seventh year is near?

Yahweh will bless the Israelites in all their work and everything to which they put their hand.

Deuteronomy 15:11**ULT**

¹¹ For the poor will never cease to exist in the land; therefore I command you and say, 'You must surely open your hand to your brother, to your needy, and to your poor in your land.'

UST

¹¹ There will always be some poor people in your land, so I command you to give generously to poor people, to your fellow Israelites.

Why is Israel commanded to open their hands to their brother, to the needy and the poor in their land?

the poor will never cease to exist in the land.

Deuteronomy 15:12**ULT**

¹² If your brother, a Hebrew man, or a Hebrew woman, is sold to you and serves you for six years, then in the seventh year you must let him go free from you.

UST

¹² If any of your fellow Israelite men or women sell themselves to one of you to become your slave, you must free them after they have worked for you for six years. When the seventh year comes, you must free them.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 15:13**ULT**

¹³ When you let him go free from you, you must not let him go empty-handed.

UST

¹³ When you free them, do not allow them to go empty-handed.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 15:14**ULT**

¹⁴ You must liberally provide for him out of your flock, out of your threshing floor, and out of your winepress. As Yahweh your God has blessed you, you must give to him.

UST

¹⁴ Instead, give to them generously from the things with which Yahweh has blessed you—sheep, grain, and wine.

What are Israelites instructed to give a Hebrew man or a Hebrew woman who is released to go free in the seventh year?

They must provide for them freely out of the flock, out of the threshing floor and out of the wine press just as Yahweh their God has blessed the Israelite.

Deuteronomy 15:15**ULT**

¹⁵ You must remember that you were a slave in the land of Egypt, and that Yahweh your God redeemed you; therefore I am commanding you today to do this.

UST

¹⁵ Do not forget that your ancestors were once slaves in Egypt and that Yahweh our God freed them. That is the reason that I am now commanding you to do this.

What are the Israelites to remember as they give to the one they set free?

The Israelites are told to remember that they were slaves in the land of Egypt.

Deuteronomy 15:16**ULT**

¹⁶ It will happen that if he says to you, 'I will not go away from you,' because he loves you and your house, and because he is well off with you,

UST

¹⁶ But one of your slaves may say, 'I do not want to leave you.' Perhaps he loves you and your family because you have treated him well.

What is an Israelite to do to a male or female servant who says "I will not go away from you"? (vv16-17)

the Israelite is to take an awl and thrust it through the slave's ear to a door, and he or she will be that Israelite's servant forever.

Deuteronomy 15:17**ULT**

¹⁷ then you must take an awl and thrust {it} through his ear to a door, and he will be your servant for life. You must do the same with your female servant.

UST

¹⁷ If he says that, take him to the door of your house and, while he is standing against the doorway, pierce one of his earlobes with an awl. That will indicate that he will be your slave for the rest of his life. Do the same thing to any female slave who does not want to leave you.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 15:18**ULT**

¹⁸ It must not seem difficult for you to let him go free from you, because he has served you for six years and given twice the value of a hired person. Yahweh your God will bless you in all that you do.

UST

¹⁸ Do not complain when you are required to free your slaves. Keep in mind that they served you for six years, and that you paid them only half as much as you pay the servants that you hire. If you free them, Yahweh our God will bless you in everything that you do.

Why should it not seem difficult for the Israelite to let the slave go free?

It should not be difficult because he has served them for six years and given twice the value of a hired person.

Deuteronomy 15:19**ULT**

¹⁹ All the firstborn males in your herd and your flock you must set apart to Yahweh your God. You will do no work with the firstborn of your herd, nor shear the firstborn of your flock.

UST

¹⁹ Set aside for the honor of Yahweh our God the firstborn male animals from your cattle and sheep. Do not force them to do any work for you, and do not shear the wool of the firstborn animals.

What must the people of Israel do with the firstborn males in their herd and their flock? (vv19-20)

They must eat the firstborn before Yahweh year by year with their household in the place that Yahweh will choose.

Deuteronomy 15:20**ULT**

²⁰ You must eat the firstborn before Yahweh your God year by year in the place that Yahweh will choose, you and your household.

UST

²⁰ You and your family must kill them and eat their meat in the presence of Yahweh at the place that he chooses for you to worship him.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 15:21**ULT**

²¹ If it has any blemish—for example, {if it is} lame or blind, {or has} any blemish whatever—you must not sacrifice it to Yahweh your God.

UST

²¹ But if the animals have any defects, if they are lame or blind, or if they have any other serious defect, you must not sacrifice them to Yahweh our God.

What are the Israelites to do with the firstborn animal if it is lame or blind or has any blemish whatever?

They must not sacrifice it to Yahweh, but instead they should eat it within their gates.

Deuteronomy 15:22**ULT**

²² You will eat {it} within your gates; the unclean and the clean persons alike must eat it, as you would eat a gazelle or a deer.

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²² You may kill and eat the meat of those animals in your towns. Those who have done things that cause them to become unacceptable to God and those who have not done such things are permitted to eat that meat, just like anyone is permitted to eat the meat of a gazelle or a deer.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 15:23**ULT**

²³ Only you must not eat its blood; you must pour its blood out on the ground like water.

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²³ But you must not eat any of the blood; you must drain all the blood on the ground when you kill those animals.

What are the Israelites to do with the blood of the firstborn that is blemished?

They must pour the blood of the firstborn that is blemished on the ground like water.

Deuteronomy 16

Deuteronomy 16:1

ULT

¹ Observe the month of Abib, and keep the Passover to Yahweh your God, for in the month of Aviv Yahweh your God brought you out of Egypt by night.

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¹ Each year honor Yahweh our God by celebrating the Passover Festival in the month of Aviv in early spring. It was on a night in that month that Yahweh rescued your ancestors from Egypt.

Why are the Israelites to observe the month of Abib and keep the Passover for Yahweh their God?

Yahweh he brought Israel out of Egypt by night in the month of Abib.

Deuteronomy 16:2

ULT

² You will sacrifice the Passover to Yahweh your God with some of the flock and the herd in the place that Yahweh will choose as his sanctuary.

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² In order to celebrate that festival, go to the place that Yahweh will choose for you to worship him, and offer there one young animal from your cattle or your sheep to be the Passover sacrifice.

What will the Israelites do to observe the Passover?

The Israelites will sacrifice some of the flock and the herd in the place that Yahweh will choose as his sanctuary.

Deuteronomy 16:3**ULT**

³ You will eat no leavened bread with it; seven days will you eat unleavened bread with it, the bread of affliction; for you came out of the land of Egypt in haste. Do this all the days of your life so that you may call to mind the day when you came out of the land of Egypt.

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³ When you eat the Passover meal, the bread that you eat must not have yeast in it. You must eat this kind of bread, which will be called the bread of suffering, for seven days. This is to help you to remember all during the time that you are alive that when your ancestors left Egypt, where they were suffering because they were slaves, they left very quickly. They did not have time to put in yeast and wait for the dough to swell up.

Why are the Israelites to eat no leavened bread or have yeast among all of their borders for seven days? (vv3-4)

They are to eat no leavened bread or have yeast because they came out of the land of Egypt in haste.

Deuteronomy 16:4**ULT**

⁴ No yeast must be seen among you within all your borders during seven days; nor must {any} of the meat that you sacrifice in the evening on the first day remain until the morning.

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⁴ During that festival, which will last for seven days, you must not have any yeast in any house in your land. Furthermore, the meat of the animal that you sacrifice on the evening of the first day of the Passover Festival must be eaten during that night; do not allow any of it to remain until the next day.

What are the Israelites to do with any meat that they sacrifice in the evening on the first day?

The Israelites are to get rid of any of the meat that they sacrifice on the evening of the first day so that it does not remain until the morning.

Deuteronomy 16:5**ULT**

⁵ You may not sacrifice the Passover within any of your city gates that Yahweh your God is giving you.

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⁵⁻⁶ To honor Yahweh our God, you must offer the Passover sacrifice only at the place that he chooses for you to worship him; do not offer that sacrifice in any other town in the land that Yahweh is giving to you. Offer that sacrifice when the sun is setting, at the same time of day that your ancestors started to leave Egypt.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 16:6**ULT**

⁶ Instead, sacrifice at the place that Yahweh your God will choose as his sanctuary. There you will perform the sacrifice of the Passover in the evening at the going down of the sun, at the time of year that you came out of Egypt.

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⁵⁻⁶ To honor Yahweh our God, you must offer the Passover sacrifice only at the place that he chooses for you to worship him; do not offer that sacrifice in any other town in the land that Yahweh is giving to you. Offer that sacrifice when the sun is setting, at the same time of day that your ancestors started to leave Egypt.

Where are the Israelites to sacrifice the Passover?

They are to sacrifice at the place that Yahweh will choose as his sanctuary.

When will the sacrifice of the Passover be performed?

The sacrifice of the Passover is to be performed in the evening at the going down of the sun, at the time of year that you came out of Egypt.

Deuteronomy 16:7**ULT**

⁷ You must roast it and eat {it} at the place that Yahweh your God will choose; in the morning you will turn and go to your tents.

UST

⁷ Boil the meat and eat it at the place of worship that Yahweh our God chooses. The next morning, you may return to your tents.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 16:8**ULT**

⁸ For six days you will eat unleavened bread; on the seventh day there {will be} a solemn assembly for Yahweh your God; on that day you must do no work.

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⁸ Each day for six days the bread that you eat must have no yeast in it. On the seventh day, you must all gather to worship Yahweh our God. It will be a day of rest, you must not do any work on that day.

What are the Israelites supposed to do on the first six days as they celebrate Passover?

The Israelites are to eat unleavened bread for six days.

What are the Israelites supposed to do on the seventh day as they celebrate Passover?

On the seventh day, they are to have a solemn assembly and do no work.

Deuteronomy 16:9**ULT**

⁹ You will count seven weeks for yourselves; from {the time} you begin {to put} the sickle to the standing grain you must start counting seven weeks.

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⁹ Each year, from the day that you start to harvest your grain, count seven weeks.

How do the Israelites determine the start of the Festival of Weeks for Yahweh? (vv9-10)

The Israelites will count seven weeks from the time they begin to put the sickle to the standing grain.

Deuteronomy 16:10**ULT**

¹⁰ You must keep the Festival of Weeks for Yahweh your God with the contribution of a freewill offering from your hand that you will give, according as Yahweh your God has blessed you.

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¹⁰ Then, to honor Yahweh our God, celebrate the Festival of Pentecost. Do that by bringing to him an offering of grain. Yahweh has blessed you by causing it to grow in your fields during that year. If you had a big harvest, bring a big offering. If you had a small harvest, bring a small offering.

What contribution do the Israelites give on the Festival of Weeks?

They must give Yahweh a free will offering according as Yahweh has blessed them.

Deuteronomy 16:11**ULT**

¹¹ You will rejoice before Yahweh your God—you, your son, your daughter, your male servant, your female servant, the Levite who {is} within your city gates, and the foreigner, the fatherless, and the widow who {are} among you, at the place that Yahweh your God will choose for his sanctuary.

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¹¹ Each married couple should be joyful in the presence of Yahweh. Their children, their servants, the descendants of Levi who are in that town, and the foreigners, orphans, and widows who are living among you, should also be joyful. Bring those offerings to the place of worship that Yahweh will choose.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 16:12**ULT**

¹² You will call to mind that you were a slave in Egypt; you must observe and do these statutes.

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¹² When you celebrate these festivals by obeying these commands, remember that your ancestors were slaves in Egypt.

What must everyone in Israel, including the foreigners, call to mind during the Festival of Weeks?

They must call to mind when they were slaves in Egypt.

Deuteronomy 16:13**ULT**

¹³ You must keep the Festival of Shelters for seven days after you have gathered in the harvest from your threshing floor and from your winepress.

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¹³ Each year, after you have threshed all your grain and pressed the juice from all your grapes, you must celebrate the Festival of Shelters for seven days.

What festival are the Israelites instructed to keep for seven days after they have gathered in the harvest from the Israelite's threshing floor and from their wine press?

They are to keep the Festival of Shelters for seven days after they begin have gathered in their harvest.

Deuteronomy 16:14**ULT**

¹⁴ You will rejoice during your festival—you, your son, your daughter, your male servant, your female servant, the Levite, and the foreigner, and the fatherless and the widow who {are} within your gates.

UST

¹⁴ Each married couple along with their children, their servants, the descendants of Levi who are in that town, and the foreigners, orphans, and widows who are living among you, should be joyful in the presence of Yahweh.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 16:15**ULT**

¹⁵ For seven days you must observe the festival for Yahweh your God at the place that Yahweh will choose, because Yahweh your God will bless you in all your harvest and all the work of your hands, and you must be completely joyful.

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¹⁵ Honor Yahweh our God by celebrating this festival for seven days in the place that he chooses for you to worship him. You should all be joyful, because Yahweh will have blessed your harvest and all the other work that you have done.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 16:16**ULT**

¹⁶ Three times in a year all your males must appear before Yahweh your God at the place that he will choose: at the Festival of Unleavened Bread, at the Festival of Weeks, and at the Festival of Shelters. No one will appear before Yahweh empty-handed;

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¹⁶ So, each year all of you Israelite men must gather to worship Yahweh our God at the place that he will choose, to celebrate three festivals: The Festival of Bread with no Yeast, the Festival of Pentecost, and the Festival of Shelters. No one should come before Yahweh without an offering. Each of you men must bring an offering for Yahweh to these festivals.

At what the three festivals must all the males of Israel appear before Yahweh at the place that Yahweh chooses?

They must appear before him at the Festival of Unleavened Bread, the Festival of Weeks, and at the Festival of Shelters.

Deuteronomy 16:17**ULT**

¹⁷ instead, every man {will give} as he is able, that you might know the blessing that Yahweh your God has given to you.

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¹⁷ The offerings should be in proportion to the blessings that Yahweh has given you during that year.

What is every male Israelite supposed to give to Yahweh instead of coming empty-handed?

Every male Israelite is to give what he is able to Yahweh.

Deuteronomy 16:18**ULT**

¹⁸ You must make judges and officers within all your city gates that Yahweh your God is giving you; they will be taken from each of your tribes, and they must judge the people with righteous judgment.

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¹⁸ Appoint judges and other officials throughout your tribes, in all the towns in the land that Yahweh our God is giving to you. They must judge people fairly.

Where are the Israelites to find their judges and officers?

The judges and officers will be taken from each of their tribes to judge the people with righteous judgement.

Deuteronomy 16:19**ULT**

¹⁹ You must not take justice away by force; you must not show partiality nor take a bribe, for a bribe blinds the eyes of the wise and perverts the words of the righteous.

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¹⁹ They must not judge unjustly. They must not favor one person more than another. The judges must not accept bribes, because if a judge accepts a bribe, even if he is wise and honest, it will be very difficult for him to judge fairly; he will do what the person who gave him the bribe wants him to do and declare that the innocent people must be punished.

Why are the judges and officers not to force justice or show partiality by taking a bribe?

A bribe blinds the eyes of the wise and perverts the words of the righteous

Deuteronomy 16:20**ULT**

²⁰ You must follow after justice, after justice alone, so that you may live and inherit the land that Yahweh your God is giving you.

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²⁰ You must be completely fair and just, in order that you may live long enough to occupy the land that Yahweh our God is giving to you.

What do the judges and officers gain by following justice.

They must follow after justice and justice alone, so that they may live and inherit the land that Yahweh is giving them.

Deuteronomy 16:21**ULT**

²¹ You must not set up for yourselves an Asherah, any sort of pole, beside the altar of Yahweh your God that you will make for yourself.

UST

²¹ When you make an altar to worship Yahweh our God, do not put next to it any wooden pole that represents the goddess Asherah.

What are the Israelites not to set up for themselves? (vv21-22)

They are not to set up an Ashera, or any sort of pole, or any sacred stone pillar.

Deuteronomy 16:22**ULT**

²² Neither must you set up for yourself any sacred stone pillar, which Yahweh your God hates.

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²² And do not set up any stone pillar to worship any idol, because Yahweh hates them.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 17

Deuteronomy 17:1

ULT

¹ You must not sacrifice to Yahweh your God an ox or a sheep in which is any blemish or anything bad, for that would be an abomination to Yahweh your God.

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¹ Do not sacrifice to Yahweh our God any cattle or sheep or goats that have any defects, because Yahweh detests that kind of gift.

Why must the Israelites not sacrifice an ox or a sheep with any blemish or anything bad to Yahweh?

It would be disgusting to Yahweh if they sacrificed an animal with a blemish or anything bad.

Deuteronomy 17:2

ULT

² If there is found among you, within any of your city gates that Yahweh your God is giving you, any man or woman who does what is evil in the sight of Yahweh your God and transgresses his covenant,

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² When you are living in any of the towns in the land that Yahweh our God is giving to you, suppose some man or woman sins by disobeying the covenant that Yahweh has made with you.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 17:3

ULT

³ anyone who has gone and worshiped other gods and bowed down to them, either the sun, the moon, or any of the host of heaven—nothing that I have commanded—

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³ Suppose that person has worshiped and bowed down to other gods, or the sun, or the moon, or the stars. They do what I did not command.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 17:4**ULT**

⁴ and if you are told about this, or if you have heard {of it}, then you must make a careful investigation. If {it is} true {and} certain that such an abomination has been done in Israel, this is what you should do.

UST

⁴ If someone tells you that some person has been doing that, you must investigate it thoroughly to see whether this detestable thing has happened in Israel.

What are the Israelites told to do if they hear that a man or woman within their cities have done what is evil in the sight of Yahweh?

The Israelites are to make careful investigation to know if this is true and certain.

Deuteronomy 17:5**ULT**

⁵ You must bring that man or woman, who has done this evil thing, to your city gates, that very man or woman, and you must stone that person to death.

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⁵ If it has happened, then you must take outside the town the man or woman who has done it. Then you must kill that person by throwing stones at him or her.

What are the Israelites to do with a man or woman who has done such a wicked thing as worshipping other gods and bowing down to them?

The Israelites are to stone them to death.

Deuteronomy 17:6**ULT**

⁶ At the mouth of two witnesses, or three witnesses, will he who must die be put to death; but at the mouth of only one witness he must not be put to death.

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⁶ But you are allowed to execute such people only if at least two witnesses testify that they saw them doing that. They must not be executed if there is only one witness.

How many witnesses are needed to convict a person to death?

Two or three witnesses are needed to to convict a person to death.

Deuteronomy 17:7**ULT**

⁷ The hand of the witnesses must be the first to put him to death, and afterward the hand of all the people; and you will remove the evil from among you.

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⁷ The witnesses should throw stones at the guilty person. Then the other people should throw stones until that person dies. By doing that, you will get rid of this evil practice from among you.

Who must throw the first stones when putting a person to death?

The hand of the witnesses must be the first to throw the stones, followed by the rest of the people of Israel.

Why must the Israelites stone the person to death who has done this wicked thing of worshiping other gods?

This will remove the evil from among them.

Deuteronomy 17:8**ULT**

⁸ If a matter arises that is too hard for you to judge—perhaps a question of murder or accidental death, of one person's right and another person's right, or a question of one kind of harm done, or another kind of matter, matters of controversy within your city gates—then you must go up to the place that Yahweh your God will choose as his sanctuary.

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⁸ Sometimes it will be very difficult for a judge to decide what really happened. He might be trying to decide whether, when someone injured or killed another person, that person did it accidentally or deliberately. Or he might be trying to decide if some person is taking another person to court unfairly. If in any town it is very difficult to know what really happened, and if the judge cannot decide it, you should go to the place that Yahweh our God has chosen for you to worship him.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 17:9**ULT**

⁹ You must go to the priests, the descendants of Levi, and to the judge who will be serving at that time; you will seek their advice, and they will give you the verdict.

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⁹ There you should present the case to the descendants of Levi who are priests, and to the judge who is serving at that time, and they should decide what should be done.

Who is to judge if the Israelites have a matter that is too hard for them to judge?

They must go to the priests and Levites and to the judge who is serving at that time to seek the advice of the priests.

Deuteronomy 17:10**ULT**

¹⁰ Then you must do according to what they order you to do, at the place Yahweh will choose. Be careful to do all that they teach you.

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¹⁰ After they make their decision, you must do what they tell you to do.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 17:11**ULT**

¹¹ Follow the law they teach you, and do according to the decisions they give you. Do not turn aside from what they tell you, {to} the right hand or {to} the left.

UST

¹¹ Accept what they have decided, and do what they say that you should do. Do not try to change in any way what they have decided.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 17:12**ULT**

¹² Anyone who acts arrogantly, in not listening to the priest who is standing to serve before Yahweh your God, or in not listening to the judge—that man will die; you will put away the evil from Israel.

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¹² You must execute anyone who proudly disobeys the judge or the priest who stands there in the presence of Yahweh and decides what should be done. By doing that, you will get rid of this evil practice from among you.

What man must die in order to put away the evil from Israel?

Anyone who acts arrogantly and does not listen to the priest, or does not listen to the judge, must die to put away the evil from Israel.

Deuteronomy 17:13**ULT**

¹³ All the people must hear and fear, and act arrogantly no more.

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¹³ Then after that person is executed, all the people will hear about it, and they will be afraid, and none of them will act that way anymore.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 17:14**ULT**

¹⁴ When you have come to the land that Yahweh your God gives you, and when you take possession of it and begin to live in it, and then you say, 'I will set a king over myself, like all the nations that {are} round about me,'

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¹⁴ I know that after you have occupied the land that Yahweh our God is giving to you, and you are living there, you will say, 'We should have a king to rule over us, like the kings that other nations around us have.'

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 17:15**ULT**

¹⁵ then you must surely set as king over yourself someone whom Yahweh your God will choose. You must set as king over yourself someone from among your brothers. You may not put a foreigner, who is not your brother, over yourself.

UST

¹⁵ Yahweh our God will permit you to have a king, but be sure that you appoint someone whom he has chosen. That man must be an Israelite; you must not appoint someone who is a foreigner to be your king.

Who will the Israelites set up as a king over them at the time when they are in the land?

Israelites will select from among their brothers someone who Yahweh will choose.

Deuteronomy 17:16**ULT**

¹⁶ But he must not multiply horses for himself, nor cause the people to return to Egypt so that he may multiply horses, for Yahweh had said to you, 'You will never return that way again.'

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¹⁶ After he becomes the king, he should not acquire a large number of horses for himself. He should not send people to Egypt to buy horses for him, because Yahweh said to you, 'Never return to Egypt for anything!'

Why must the king of Israel not multiply horses for himself, nor cause the people to return to Egypt so that the king may multiply horses?

He must not to multiply horses or cause the people to return to Egypt because Yahweh has told the Israelites to never return that way again.

Deuteronomy 17:17**ULT**

¹⁷ He must not take many wives for himself, so that his heart does not turn away. He must not accumulate large amounts of silver and gold.

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¹⁷ And he must not have a lot of wives, because if he did that, they would turn him away from worshiping only Yahweh. And he must not acquire a lot of silver and gold.

Why is the king told not to multiply wives for himself?

He is not to multiply wives for himself so that his heart does not turn away from Yahweh.

Deuteronomy 17:18**ULT**

¹⁸ When he sits on the throne of his kingdom, he must write for himself in a scroll a copy of this law, from the law that is before the priests, who are Levites.

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¹⁸ When he becomes your king, he must appoint someone to copy these laws. He must copy them from the scroll that is kept by the priests descended from Levi.

What is the king instructed to keep with him and read all the days of his life, so that he may learn to honor Yahweh his God, and keep and observe all the words of this law and these statutes? (vv18-19)

He must write for himself a copy of this law which is to stay with him and be read by him all the days of his life.

Deuteronomy 17:19**ULT**

¹⁹ The scroll must be with him, and he must read in it all the days of his life, so that he may learn to honor Yahweh his God, so as to keep all the words of this law and these statutes, to observe them.

UST

¹⁹ He must keep this new scroll near him and read from it every day of his life, in order that he may learn to have an awesome respect for Yahweh, and to faithfully obey all the rules and regulations that are written in these laws.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 17:20**ULT**

²⁰ He must do this so that his heart is not lifted up above his brothers, and so that he does not turn away from the commandments, {to} the right hand or {to} the left; for the purpose that he may prolong {his} days in his kingdom, he and his children, among Israel.

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²⁰ If he does that, he will not think that he is more important than his fellow Israelites, and he will completely obey Yahweh's commands. As a result, he and his descendants will rule as kings in Israel for many years."

Why is the king instructed to keep the scroll of the law with him?

He must keep the scroll with him so that his heart is not lifted up above his brothers, and so that he does not turn away from the commandments.

Deuteronomy 18

Deuteronomy 18:1

ULT

¹ The priests, who are Levites, and all the tribe of Levi, will have no portion nor inheritance with Israel; they must eat the offerings of Yahweh made by fire as their inheritance.

UST

¹ "The priests, who are all from the tribe of Levi, will not receive any land in Israel. Instead, they will receive some of the food that other people offer to be burned on the altar to be sacrificed to Yahweh and some of the other sacrifices that will be offered to Yahweh.

Why would the Levite priests have to eat the offerings of Yahweh as their inheritance? (vv1-2)

The Levite priests would have to eat the offerings because they would have no inheritance among their brothers.

Deuteronomy 18:2

ULT

² They must have no inheritance among their brothers; Yahweh is their inheritance, as he said to them.

UST

² They will not be allotted any land like the other tribes will be. What they will receive is the honor of being Yahweh's priests, which is what he said that they should have.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 18:3

ULT

³ This is the share given to the priests, given to them from the people who offer a sacrifice, whether {it be} an oxen or a sheep: the shoulder, the two cheeks, and the inner parts.

UST

³ When the people bring an ox or a sheep to be sacrificed, they must give to the priests the shoulder, the cheeks, and the stomach of those animals.

What was to be given to the priests from the sacrifices of the people? (vv3-4)

The priests were to be given the shoulder, two cheeks, and inner parts of the oxen and sheep and the first fruits of grain, new wine, oil, and fleece of the sheep from the sacrifices of the people.

Deuteronomy 18:4**ULT**

⁴ The firstfruits of your grain, of your new wine, and of your oil, and the first of the fleece of your sheep, you must give him.

UST

⁴ You must also give to them the first part of the grain that you harvest, and the first part of the wine that you make, and the first part of the olive oil that you make, and the first part of the wool that you shear from your sheep.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 18:5**ULT**

⁵ For Yahweh your God has chosen him out of all your tribes to stand to serve in the name of Yahweh, him and his sons forever.

UST

⁵ You must do this because Yahweh our God has chosen the tribe of Levi from all of your tribes, in order that it would be ones from that tribe who would always be the priests who would serve him.

Why were the priests supposed to receive these portions from the sacrifices of the people?

They were to receive these portions because Yahweh chose them to stand to serve in the name of Yahweh.

Deuteronomy 18:6**ULT**

⁶ If a Levite comes from any of your towns out of all Israel from where he is living, and desires with all his soul to come to the place Yahweh will choose,

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⁶ If any man from the tribe of Levi who has been living in one of the towns in Israel wants to come from there to the place of worship that Yahweh has chosen, and to start living there,

When can a Levite serve in the place that Yahweh will choose as his sanctuary? (vv6-7)

A Levite can serve in the place that Yahweh will choose as his sanctuary when he comes out of any of the city gates of Israel with the desire of his soul to serve Yahweh.

Deuteronomy 18:7**ULT**

⁷ then he must serve in the name of Yahweh his God as all his brothers the Levites {do}, who stand there before Yahweh.

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⁷ he is permitted to serve Yahweh there as a priest, just like the other men from the tribe of Levi who have been serving there.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 18:8**ULT**

⁸ They must have similar portions to eat, besides of what comes of the sale of his family's inheritance.

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⁸ He must be given the same amount of food that the other priests receive. He is permitted to keep the money that his relatives receive for selling some of their possessions and send to him.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 18:9**ULT**

⁹ When you have come into the land that Yahweh your God is giving you, you must not learn to observe the abominations of those nations.

UST

⁹ When you enter the land that Yahweh our God is giving you, you must not imitate the disgusting things that the people groups who are there now do.

What were some of the disgusting practices followed by the nations? (vv9-11)

Some of the disgusting practices were making their children pass through the fire, using divination, practicing augury, using sorcery and talking with the dead or spirits.

Deuteronomy 18:10**ULT**

¹⁰ There must not be found among you {anyone} who sacrifices his son or his daughter in the fire, anyone who uses divination or tells fortunes, or reads signs found in a cup, or engages in witchcraft,

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¹⁰ You must not sacrifice any of your children by burning them on your altars. Do not try to use supernatural power to discover what will happen in the future. Do not try to use magic to find out what will happen in the future. Do not interpret omens to find out what will happen. Do not practice sorcery. Do not put spells on people.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 18:11**ULT**

¹¹ any charmer, anyone who conjurs up spirits, {or} one who casts spells, or who talks with spirits of the dead.

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¹¹ Do not try to talk with spirits of dead people. Do not do magic.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 18:12**ULT**

¹² For whoever does these things is an abomination to Yahweh; it is because of these abominations that Yahweh your God is driving them out from before you.

UST

¹² Yahweh hates people who do any of those disgusting things. And as you advance through that land, he is going to drive out the people groups because they do those disgusting things.

Why will Yahweh drive out the nations from the land? (vv12-14)

Yahweh will drive out the nations from the land because they listen to those who practice sorcery and divination.

Deuteronomy 18:13**ULT**

¹³ You must be blameless before Yahweh your God.

UST

¹³ But you must always be faithful to Yahweh and avoid doing any of those disgusting things.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 18:14**ULT**

¹⁴ For these nations that you will dispossess listen to those who practice sorcery and divination; but as for you, Yahweh your God has not allowed you to do so.

UST

¹⁴ The people groups that you are about to expel from the land that you will occupy consult soothsayers and those who practice divination. But as for you, Yahweh our God does not allow you to do that.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 18:15**ULT**

¹⁵ Yahweh your God will raise up for you a prophet from among you, one of your brothers, like me. You must listen to him.

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¹⁵ Some day he will send from among you a prophet like me. He will tell you what will happen in the future, and you must obey him.

Who did Yahweh promise to raise up from among the people?

Yahweh promised he would raise up a prophet like Moses in the future from Israel.

Deuteronomy 18:16**ULT**

¹⁶ This is what you asked from Yahweh your God at Horeb on the day of the assembly, saying, 'Let us not hear again the voice of Yahweh our God, nor see this great fire anymore, or we will die.'

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¹⁶ On the day that your ancestors were gathered at the bottom of Mount Sinai, they pleaded with me saying, 'We do not want Yahweh to speak to us again, and we do not want to see this huge fire that is burning on the mountain!' Your ancestors said that because they were afraid that they would die if Yahweh spoke to them again.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 18:17**ULT**

¹⁷ Yahweh said to me, 'What they have said is good.'

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¹⁷ Then Yahweh said to me, 'What they have said is true.'

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 18:18**ULT**

¹⁸ I will raise up a prophet for them from among their brothers, just like you. I will put my words in his mouth, and he will speak to them all that I command him.

UST

¹⁸ So I will send from among them a prophet like you. I will tell him what to say, and then he will tell people everything that I tell him to say.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 18:19**ULT**

¹⁹ It will happen that if anyone does not listen to the words of mine that he speaks in my name, I will require {it} of him.

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¹⁹ He will speak for me. And I will punish anyone who does not heed what he says.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 18:20**ULT**

²⁰ But the prophet who speaks a word arrogantly in my name, a word that I have not commanded him to speak, or who speaks in the name of other gods, that very prophet must die.'

UST

²⁰ But if any person says that he is a prophet and dares to speak a message which he falsely says comes from me but which I did not tell him to speak, or anyone who speaks a message that he says other gods have revealed to him, he must be executed for doing that.'

What would cause a prophet to die?

A prophet will die if he speaks a word arrogantly in Yahweh's name, a word that Yahweh has not commanded him to speak, or he speaks in the name of other gods.

Deuteronomy 18:21**ULT**

²¹ This is what you must say in your heart: 'How will we recognize a message that Yahweh has not spoken?'

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²¹ But perhaps you will say to yourself, 'How can we know if a message that someone tells us does not come from Yahweh?'

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 18:22**ULT**

²² You will recognize a message that Yahweh has spoken when a prophet speaks in the name of Yahweh. If that thing does not occur nor happen, then that is something that Yahweh has not spoken and the prophet has spoken it arrogantly, and you must not be afraid of him.

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²² The answer is that when someone speaks a message about what will happen in the future, a message that he says was revealed by Yahweh, if what he says does not happen, you will know that the message did not come from Yahweh. That person has wrongly claimed that it was revealed to him by Yahweh. So you do not need to be afraid of anything that he says.

What does it mean if a prophecy spoken in Yahweh's name does not happen?

If a prophecy does not happen, then the prophecy is something that Yahweh has not spoken.

Deuteronomy 19

Deuteronomy 19:1

ULT

¹ When Yahweh your God cuts off the nations, those whose land Yahweh your God is giving you, and when you come after them and live in their cities and houses,

UST

¹ After Yahweh our God has destroyed the people groups from the land that he is giving to you, and after you have driven them out from their cities and you start to live in their houses,

Why did Yahweh instruct the people to select three cities in the middle of the land? (vv1-3)

He instructed the people to select three cities so that everyone who kills another person could flee there.

Deuteronomy 19:2

ULT

² you must select three cities for yourself in the middle of your land that Yahweh your God is giving you to possess.

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²⁻³ you must divide into three parts the land that he is giving to you. Then select a city in each part. You must make good roads in order that people can get to those cities easily. Someone who kills another person can escape to one of those cities to be safe.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 19:3

ULT

³ You must build a road and divide the borders of your land into three parts, the land that Yahweh your God is causing you to inherit, so that everyone who kills another person may flee there.

UST

²⁻³ you must divide into three parts the land that he is giving to you. Then select a city in each part. You must make good roads in order that people can get to those cities easily. Someone who kills another person can escape to one of those cities to be safe.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 19:4**ULT**

⁴ This is the instruction concerning the one who kills another and flees from there in order to save his own life—the one who unintentionally kills his neighbor without hating him at the time of the accident.

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⁴ This is the rule about someone who has killed another person. If someone accidentally kills another person who was not his enemy, he may escape to one of those cities and be safe.

What provision does Yahweh make for the person who kills his neighbor unawares, and did not previously hate him? (vv4-5)

Yahweh provided three cities of refuge to which the man could flee and live.

Deuteronomy 19:5**ULT**

⁵ For example, if a man goes into the forest with his neighbor to cut wood and the ax head slips off of the handle and strikes his neighbor and kills him—then that man must flee to one of these cities and save his life.

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⁵ For example, if two men go into the forest to cut some wood, if the axe head comes off the handle while one of them is chopping down a tree and the ax head strikes and kills the other man, the man who was using the ax will be allowed to run to one of those cities and be safe there, because the people of that city will protect him.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 19:6**ULT**

⁶ Otherwise the avenger of blood might go after the one who took a life, and in the heat of his anger overtake him, if the distance is too great, strike him and kill him, even though that man did not deserve to die, since he had not hated his neighbor in the past.

UST

⁶ Because he accidentally killed someone, and because the man was not his enemy, he can try to run to one of those cities. If there were only one city, it may be a long distance to that city. Then if the relative of the man who was killed to get revenge, is very angry, he may be able to catch the other person before he arrives at that city.

Why should the one who kills another flee to a city of refuge? (vv6-7)

He should flee so that the deceased relative does not pursue in anger, catch, and kill him.

Deuteronomy 19:7**ULT**

⁷ Therefore I command you to select three cities for yourself.

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⁷ Therefore, I give you this command, that you select three cities for this purpose.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 19:8**ULT**

⁸ If Yahweh your God enlarges your borders, as he has sworn to your ancestors to do, and gives you all the land that he promised to give to your ancestors;

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⁸⁻⁹ If you do everything that I am today commanding you to do, and if you love Yahweh our God, and if you conduct your lives as he wants you to do, Yahweh our God will give you much more land than you will have when you first occupy it, which is what he promised to do. He will give you all the land which he promised your ancestors that he would give to you. When he gives you that land, you must select three more cities to which people may escape.

What would be the conditions for adding three more cities of refuge? (vv8-9)

If Yahweh enlarged their borders, then they must add three more cities of refuge.

Deuteronomy 19:9**ULT**

⁹ if you keep all these commandments to do them, which I am commanding you today—commandments to love Yahweh your God and to always walk in his ways, then you must add three more cities for yourself, besides these three.

UST

⁸⁻⁹ If you do everything that I am today commanding you to do, and if you love Yahweh our God, and if you conduct your lives as he wants you to do, Yahweh our God will give you much more land than you will have when you first occupy it, which is what he promised to do. He will give you all the land which he promised your ancestors that he would give to you. When he gives you that land, you must select three more cities to which people may escape.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 19:10**ULT**

¹⁰ Do this so that innocent blood is not shed in the midst of the land that Yahweh your God is giving you {as} an inheritance, so that no bloodguilt may be on you.

UST

¹⁰ Do this in order that people who are innocent will not die, and you will not be guilty for allowing them to be executed, in the land that Yahweh is giving to you.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 19:11**ULT**

¹¹ But if anyone hates his neighbor, lies in wait for him, rises up against him, and mortally wounds him so that he dies, and if he then flees into one of these cities—

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¹¹ But suppose someone hates his enemy and hides and waits for that person to come along the road. Then when he passes by, suddenly he attacks him and murders him. If the attacker flees to one of those cities to be protected there,

What should happen if a person hates his neighbor, lies in wait for him, mortally wounds him, and then flees to one of the cities of refuge? (vv11-13)

The elders of this man's city must bring him back and turn him over to the responsible relative so that he may die as punishment for the blood guilt from Israel.

Deuteronomy 19:12**ULT**

¹² then the elders of his city must send and bring him back from there, and turn him over into the hand of the responsible relative, so that he may die.

UST

¹² the elders of the city where the murdered man lived must not protect the attacker. They must send someone to the city to which the other man escaped, and bring him to to get revenge, so that he may execute that man.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 19:13**ULT**

¹³ Your eye must not pity him; instead, you must eradicate {the bloodguilt} from Israel, that it may go well with you.

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¹³ You must not pity those who murder other people! Instead, you must execute them, in order that the people in the land of Israel will not be punished for murdering innocent people, and in order that things will go well for you.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 19:14**ULT**

¹⁴ You must not remove your neighbor's landmark that they set in place a long time ago, in your inheritance that you will inherit, in the land that Yahweh your God is giving you to possess.

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¹⁴ When you are living in the land that Yahweh our God is giving to you, do not move the markers of your neighbors' property boundaries that were placed there long ago.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 19:15**ULT**

¹⁵ One sole witness must not rise up against a man for any iniquity, or for any sin, in any matter that he sins; at the mouth of two witnesses, or at the mouth of three witnesses, must any matter be confirmed.

UST

¹⁵ If someone is accused of committing a crime, one person who says, 'I saw him do it' is not enough to find him guilty. There must be at least two people who say, 'We saw him do it.' If there is only one witness, the judge must not believe that what he says is true.

How many witnesses are needed for a matter to be confirmed?

It is necessary for two or three witnesses to speak for a matter to be confirmed.

Deuteronomy 19:16**ULT**

¹⁶ Suppose that an unrighteous witness rises up against any man to testify against him of wrongdoing.

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¹⁶ Or suppose that someone tries to do wrong to another person by falsely accusing him.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 19:17**ULT**

¹⁷ Then both men, the ones between whom the controversy exists, must stand before Yahweh, before the priests and the judges who serve in those days.

UST

¹⁷ Then both of them must go to the place where the people worship, to talk to the priests and judges who are serving at that time.

What should be done when controversy exists between two men? (vv17-18)

Then both men, the ones between whom the controversy exists, must stand before Yahweh, before the priests and the judges who serve in those days. The judges must make diligent inquiries; see, if the witness is a false witness and has testified falsely against his brother.

Deuteronomy 19:18**ULT**

¹⁸ The judges must make diligent inquiries; see, {if} the witness is a false witness and has testified falsely against his brother,

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¹⁸ The judges must investigate the case carefully. If the judges determine that one of them has accused the other falsely,

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 19:19**ULT**

¹⁹ then must you do to him, as he had wished to do to his brother; and you will remove the evil from among you.

UST

¹⁹ that person must be punished in the same way that the other one would have been punished if the judges had decided that he was guilty. By punishing such people, you will get rid of this evil practice from among you.

What must be done if the testimony of a witness is found to be false?

If the testimony of a witness is found to be false, then they must do to him as he had wished to do to his brother.

Deuteronomy 19:20**ULT**

²⁰ Then those who remain will hear and fear, and will from then on commit no longer any such evil among you.

UST

²⁰ And when that person is punished, everyone will hear what has happened, and they will be afraid, and no one will dare to act that way anymore.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 19:21**ULT**

²¹ Your eyes must not pity; life will pay for life, eye for eye, tooth for tooth, hand for hand, foot for foot.

UST

²¹ You must not pity people who are punished like that. The rule should be that a person who has murdered someone else must be executed; one of a person's eyes must be gouged out if he has gouged out someone else's eye, one tooth of a person who has knocked out the tooth of another person must be knocked out; one hand of a person who has cut off the hand of another person must likewise be cut off; one foot of a person who has cut off the foot of another person must also be cut off.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 20

Deuteronomy 20:1

ULT

¹ When you march out to battle against your enemies, and see horses, chariots, {and} a people more numerous than you, you must not be afraid of them; for Yahweh your God {is} with you, he who brought you up out of the land of Egypt.

UST

¹ When your soldiers go to fight your enemies, and you see that they have many horses and chariots and that their army is much bigger than yours, do not be afraid of them, because Yahweh our God, who brought your ancestors safely out of Egypt, will be with you.

Why must the people of Israel not be afraid when they march out to battle against their enemies?

The people of Israel must not be afraid because Yahweh their God, who brought them out of the land of Egypt, will be with them.

Deuteronomy 20:2

ULT

² When you are about to enter into battle, the priest must approach and speak to the people.

UST

² When you are ready to start the battle, the high priest must stand in front of the troops.

What must happen when the people of Israel draw near to the battle? (vv2-4)

The priest must speak to the people and tell them not to be afraid, but Yahweh is with them to fight for them.

Deuteronomy 20:3

ULT

³ He must say to them, 'Listen, Israel, you are going to battle against your enemies. Do not let your hearts faint. Do not fear or tremble. Do not be afraid of them.

UST

³ He must say to them, 'You Israelite men, listen to me! Today you are going to fight against your enemies. Do not be timid or afraid,

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 20:4**ULT**

⁴ For Yahweh your God {is} the one who is going with you to fight for you against your enemies and to save you.'

UST

⁴ because Yahweh our God will go with you. He will fight your enemies for you, and he will enable you to defeat them.'

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 20:5**ULT**

⁵ The officers must speak to the people and say, 'What man {is} there who has built a new house and has not dedicated it? Let him go and return to his house, so that he does not die in battle and another man dedicates it.

UST

⁵ Then the army officers must say to the troops, 'If anyone among you has just built a new house and has not dedicated it to God, he should go home and dedicate the house. If he does not do that, if he dies in the battle, someone else will dedicate the house and live in it.

What should a man do if he has built a new house and not yet dedicated it?

He should return to his house so he does not die in battle and another man dedicate it.

Deuteronomy 20:6**ULT**

⁶ Is there anyone who has planted a vineyard and has not enjoyed its fruit? Let him go home, so he will not die in battle and another man enjoy its fruit.

UST

⁶ If anyone among you has planted a vineyard and has not yet harvested any grapes from it, he should go home. If he stays here and dies in the battle, someone else will harvest the grapes and enjoy the wine made from them.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 20:7**ULT**

⁷ What man {is} there who is engaged to marry a woman but has not yet married her? Let him go home so that he does not die in battle and another man marries her.'

UST

⁷ If anyone among you has become engaged to marry a woman but has not married her yet, he should go home. If he stays here and dies in the battle, someone else will marry her.'

What should a man do if he is engaged to a woman and not yet married her?

He should return and marry her so he does not die in battle and another man marry her.

Deuteronomy 20:8**ULT**

⁸ The officers must speak further to the people and say, 'What man is there {who is} fearful or fainthearted? Let him go and return to his house, so that his brother's heart does not melt like his own heart.'

UST

⁸ Then the officers must also say, 'If anyone among you is afraid or timid, he should go home, in order that he does not cause his fellow soldiers to also stop being courageous.'

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 20:9**ULT**

⁹ When the officers have finished speaking to the people, they must appoint commanders over them.

UST

⁹ When the officers have finished speaking to the troops, they must appoint commanders over them.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 20:10**ULT**

¹⁰ When you march up to attack a city, make those people {an offer of} peace.

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¹⁰ When you go up to a city that is far away to attack it, first tell the people there that if they surrender, you will not attack them.

What will happen if the people in a faraway city accept an offer of peace when Israel attacks it? (vv10-11)

All the people in the city must become forced labor and serve Israel.

Deuteronomy 20:11**ULT**

¹¹ If they accept your offer and open their gates to you, all the people {who are} found in it must become forced labor for you and must serve you.

UST

¹¹ If they open the gates of the city and surrender, they will all become your slaves to work for you.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 20:12**ULT**

¹² But if it makes no offer of peace to you, but instead makes war against you, then you must besiege it,

UST

¹² But if they refuse to surrender peacefully and decide instead to fight against you, your troops must surround the city and break through the walls.

What must happen if the city does not accept the offer of peace, but instead makes war against Israel? (vv12-13)

Israel must attack it and when Yahweh gives Israel victory they must kill every man in the town.

Deuteronomy 20:13**ULT**

¹³ and when Yahweh your God gives you victory and puts them under your control, you must kill every man in the town.

UST

¹³ Then, when Yahweh our God enables you to capture the city, you must kill all the men in the city.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 20:14**ULT**

¹⁴ But the women, the little ones, the cattle, and everything that is in the city, and all its spoil, you will take as booty for yourself. You will consume the booty of your enemies, whom Yahweh your God has given to you.

UST

¹⁴ But you are allowed to take for yourselves the women, the children, the livestock, and everything else that you want to take from the city. You will be allowed to enjoy all the things that belonged to your enemies, the things that Yahweh our God has given to you.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 20:15**ULT**

¹⁵ You must act in this way toward all the cities {that are} very far from you, cities that are not of the cities of these following nations.

UST

¹⁵ You should do that in all the cities that are far from the land in which you will settle.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 20:16**ULT**

¹⁶ In the cities of these peoples that Yahweh your God is giving you {as} an inheritance, you must save alive nothing that breathes.

UST

¹⁶ But in the cities that are in the land that Yahweh our God is giving to you forever, you must kill all the people and all the animals.

Why must the people of Israel utterly destroy everything that breathes in the cities of the land which Yahweh will give them as an inheritance? (vv16-18)

They must destroy everything so that the people of the land do not teach them to act in any of disgusting ways and sin against Yahweh.

Deuteronomy 20:17**ULT**

¹⁷ Instead, you must completely destroy them: the Hittite, and the Amorite, the Canaanite, the Perizzite, the Hivite, and the Jebusite, as Yahweh your God has commanded you.

UST

¹⁷ You must get rid of them completely. Get rid of the Heth, the Amor the Canaan, the Periz, the Hiv, and the Jebus people groups; that is what Yahweh our God commanded you to do.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 20:18**ULT**

¹⁸ Do this so that they do not teach you to act in any of their abominable ways, as they have done with their gods. If you do, you will sin against Yahweh your God.

UST

¹⁸ If you do not do that, they will teach you to sin against Yahweh our God and do the disgusting things that they do when they worship their gods.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 20:19**ULT**

¹⁹ When you will besiege a city for a long time, as you wage war against it to capture it, you must not destroy its trees by wielding an ax against them. For you may eat from them, so you must not cut them down. For is the tree of the field a man whom you should besiege?

UST

¹⁹ When you surround a city for a long time, trying to capture it, do not cut down the fruit trees outside the city. You are allowed to eat the fruit from the trees, but do not destroy the trees, because they certainly are not your enemies.

What should Israel do with the trees in the cities which they have attacked? (vv19-20)

Israel should not cut down the trees that are used for food, but they can cut down the trees that are not used for food to build bulwarks against a city.

Deuteronomy 20:20**ULT**

²⁰ Only the trees that you know are not trees for food, you may destroy and cut down; you will build siege works against the city that makes war with you, until it falls.

UST

²⁰ You are permitted to cut down the other trees and use the wood to make ladders and towers to enable you to go over the walls and capture the city."

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 21

Deuteronomy 21:1

ULT

¹ If someone is found killed in the land that Yahweh your God is giving you to possess, lying in the field, {and} it is not known who has attacked him;

UST

¹ "Suppose someone has been murdered in a field in the land that Yahweh our God is giving to you, and you do not know who killed that person.

What should happen if someone who has been killed is found lying in a field and it is not known who attacked him? (vv1-2)

The elders and judges should measure to determine the nearest city to the killed man.

Deuteronomy 21:2

ULT

² then your elders and your judges must go out, and they must measure to the cities that are around him who has been killed.

UST

² If that happens, your elders and judges must go out to where that person's corpse was found and measure the distance from there to each of the nearby towns.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 21:3

ULT

³ Then the elders of the town nearest to the dead man's body must take a heifer from the herd, one that has never been put to work, {and} that has not borne the yoke.

UST

³ Then the elders in the closest town must select a young cow that has never been used for doing work.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 21:4**ULT**

⁴ Then they must lead the heifer down to a valley with running water, a valley that has been neither plowed nor sown, and there in the valley they must break the heifer's neck.

UST

⁴ They must take it to a place near a stream where the ground has never been plowed or planted. There they must break its neck.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 21:5**ULT**

⁵ The priests, descendants of Levi, must come forward, for Yahweh your God has chosen them to serve him and give blessing in the name of Yahweh and to decide every case of dispute and assault by their word.

UST

⁵ The priests must go there also, because Yahweh our God has chosen them from the tribe of Levi to serve him and to be his representatives when they bless people. And he has also chosen them to settle disputes in which someone has been injured.

How did Yahweh want the people of Israel to respond to the words of his priests?

Yahweh wanted them to accept the advice of his priests as the verdict in every dispute and in cases of assault.

Deuteronomy 21:6**ULT**

⁶ All the elders of the city that is the nearest to the killed {man} must wash their hands over the heifer whose neck was broken in the valley;

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⁶ The elders from the closest town must wash their hands over the young cow whose neck was broken, there in the valley,

What ritual must the elders of the city nearest to the killed man perform so that this bloodshed will be forgiven? (vv6-7)

The elders of the city must wash their hands over the heifer whose neck was broken and say, "Our hands have not shed this blood nor have our eyes seen it."

Deuteronomy 21:7**ULT**

⁷ and they must answer to the case and say, 'Our hands have not shed this blood, neither have our eyes seen {it}.'

UST

⁷ and they must say, 'We did not murder this person, and we did not see who did it.'

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 21:8**ULT**

⁸ Forgive, Yahweh, your people Israel, whom you have redeemed, and do not put {guilt} for innocent bloodshed in the midst of your people Israel.' Then the bloodshed will be forgiven them.

UST

⁸ Yahweh, forgive us, your Israelite people whom you rescued from Egypt. Do not consider us to be guilty. Instead, forgive us.'

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 21:9**ULT**

⁹ In this way you will put away the innocent blood from your midst, when you do {what is} right in the eyes of Yahweh.

UST

⁹ By doing that, you will be doing what Yahweh considers to be right, and you will not be considered to be guilty for murdering that person.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 21:10**ULT**

¹⁰ When you go out to do battle against your enemies and Yahweh your God gives you victory and puts them under your control, and you take them away as captives,

UST

¹⁰ When you who are soldiers go to fight against your enemies, and Yahweh our God enables you to defeat them, and they become your prisoners,

What did Moses tell the people of Israel to do when they went out to battle against their enemies and Yahweh gave them victory?

They were told to take their enemies away as captives.

Deuteronomy 21:11**ULT**

¹¹ if you see among the captives a beautiful woman, and you have a desire for her and wish to take her for yourself as a wife,

UST

¹¹ one of you may see among them a beautiful woman that he likes, and he may want to marry her.

How was an Israelite man to respond to the women who were taken captive? (vv11-12)

If a man saw a beautiful woman who he wanted to take for his wife, then he was to bring her home where she would shave her head and cut her nails.

Deuteronomy 21:12**ULT**

¹² then you will bring her home to your house; she will shave her head and cut her nails.

UST

¹² He should take her to his home, and there she must shave all the hair off her head and cut her fingernails to signify that now she does not belong to her people group anymore, but now she is becoming an Israelite.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 21:13**ULT**

¹³ Then she will take off the clothes she was wearing when she was taken captive and she will remain in your house and mourn for her father and her mother a full month. After that you may lie with her and be her husband, and she will be your wife.

UST

¹³ She must take off the clothes that she was wearing when she was captured, and put on Israelite clothes. She must stay in that man's house and mourn for a month because of leaving her parents. After that, he will be allowed to marry her.

How long was the captive woman allowed to mourn for her mother and father?

She would remain in mourning for her father and mother for a month before she would become the wife of the man.

Deuteronomy 21:14**ULT**

¹⁴ But if you take no delight in her, then you may let her go where she wishes. But you must not sell her at all for money, and you must not treat her like a slave, because you have humiliated her.

UST

¹⁴ Later, if he no longer is pleased with her, he will be permitted to allow her to leave him. But because she was shamed and was forced to sleep with him, he will not be allowed to treat her like a slave and sell her to anyone else.

How was an Israelite man to treat a captive that he had taken as a wife if he did not delight in her?

He must let her go rather than sell her for money.

Deuteronomy 21:15**ULT**

¹⁵ If a man has two wives and one is loved and the other is hated, and they have both borne him children—both the beloved wife and the hated wife—if the firstborn son is of her that is hated,

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¹⁵ Suppose that a man has two wives, but he likes one of them and dislikes the other one. And suppose that they both give birth to sons, and that the oldest son is the child of the woman that he does not like.

If a man has two wives, and he hates the one who has borne him his firstborn son, how must he distribute what he owns to his heirs? (vv15-17)

This man must acknowledge the firstborn son of the hated wife by giving him a double portion of all that he possesses.

Deuteronomy 21:16**ULT**

¹⁶ then on the day that the man causes his sons to inherit what he possesses, he may not make the son of the beloved wife the firstborn before the son of the hated wife, the son who {is} actually the firstborn.

UST

¹⁶ On the day when that man decides which of his possessions each son will obtain after he dies, he must not favor the son of the wife that he loves by giving him the larger share that should go to the firstborn son.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 21:17**ULT**

¹⁷ Instead, he must acknowledge the firstborn, the son of the hated wife, by giving him a double portion of all that he possesses; for that son {is} the beginning of his strength; the right of the firstborn belongs to him.

UST

¹⁷ He must give two-thirds of his possessions to the older son, the son of the wife whom he does not like. That son is his firstborn son, and he must be given the largest share.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 21:18**ULT**

¹⁸ If a man has a stubborn and rebellious son who will not obey the voice of his father or the voice of his mother, and {who}, even though they correct him, will not listen to them;

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¹⁸ Suppose there is a boy who is very stubborn and is always rebelling against his parents, and who will not heed what they say to him. And suppose that they punish him but he still does not pay attention to what they tell him.

Who must a man take his stubborn and rebellious son to if the son will not obey the voice of his father or mother?

The man and his wife must bring the son to the elders at the gate of the city.

Deuteronomy 21:19**ULT**

¹⁹ then his father and his mother must lay hold on him and bring him out to the elders of his city and to the gate of his city.

UST

¹⁹ If that happens, his parents must take him to the gate of the city where they live and have him stand in front of the elders of the city.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 21:20**ULT**

²⁰ They must say to the elders of his city, 'This son of ours is stubborn and rebellious; he will not obey our voice; he is a glutton and a drunkard.'

UST

²⁰ Then the parents must say to the elders of that city, 'This son of ours is stubborn and always rebelling against us. He will not pay attention to what we tell him. He eats too much, and he gets drunk.'

What must the father and mother of the rebellious son say to the elders of his city?

The father and mother of the rebellious son must tell the elders, "This son of ours is stubborn and rebellious, a glutton and a drunkard and will not obey our voice".

Deuteronomy 21:21**ULT**

²¹ Then all the men of his city must stone him to death with stones; and you will remove the evil from among you. All Israel will hear of it and fear.

UST

²¹ Then all the elders of that city must execute him by throwing stones at him. By doing that, you will get rid of this evil practice from among you. And everyone in Israel will hear about what happened and they will be afraid to do what he did.

Why must the elders of the city respond by stoning the son to death?

They must stone the son to death to eradicate the evil from within them, and cause all Israel to hear of it and fear.

Deuteronomy 21:22**ULT**

²² If a man has committed a sin worthy of death and he is put to death, and you hang him on a tree,

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²² If someone is executed for having committed a crime for which he deserves to die, and you hang his corpse on a post,

**What must happen if a man commits a sin worthy of death and is hanged on a tree?
(vv22-23)**

The man's body must not remain all night on the tree, but must be buried the same day so the land will not be defiled.

Deuteronomy 21:23**ULT**

²³ then his body must not remain all night on the tree. Instead, you must surely bury him the same day; for whoever is hanged {is} cursed by God. Obey this commandment so that you do not defile the land that Yahweh your God is giving you {as} an inheritance.

UST

²³ you must not allow his corpse to remain there all night. You must bury it on the day that he died, because if you keep the corpse on a post, God will curse the land. You must bury the corpse that day, in order that you do not defile the land that Yahweh our God is giving to you.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 22

Deuteronomy 22:1

ULT

¹ You must not watch your fellow Israelite's ox or his sheep go astray and hide yourself from them; you must surely bring them back to him.

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¹ If you see an Israelite's ox or sheep that has strayed away, do not act as though you did not see it. Take it back to its owner.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 22:2

ULT

² If your fellow Israelite is not near to you, or if you do not know him, then you must bring the animal home to your house, and it must be with you until he looks for it, and then you must restore it to him.

UST

² But if the owner does not live near you, or if you do not know who he is, take the animal to your house. It can stay with you until the owner comes, searching for it. Then you must give the animal to him.

What did Moses tell the people of Israel to do when they would see an animal of a fellow Israelite go astray?

They must not bring the animal to their own house, but return it to their fellow Israelite.

Deuteronomy 22:3

ULT

³ You must do the same with his donkey; you must do the same with his garment; you must do the same with every lost thing of your fellow Israelite's, anything that he has lost and you have found; you must not hide yourself.

UST

³ You must do that same thing if you see a donkey, a piece of clothing, or anything else that someone has lost. Do not refuse to do what you should do. Do not pretend to know nothing about the matter.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 22:4**ULT**

⁴ You must not see your fellow Israelite's donkey or his ox fallen down in the road and hide yourself from them; you must surely help him to lift it up again.

UST

⁴ And if you see a fellow Israelite's donkey or cow that has fallen down on the road, do not act as though you did not see it. Help the owner to lift the animal up so that it can stand on its feet again.

What did Moses tell the people of Israel to do when they would see an animal of a fellow Israelite fallen down in the road?

They must help their fellow Israelite lift it up again.

Deuteronomy 22:5**ULT**

⁵ A woman must not wear what pertains to a man, and neither must a man put on women's clothing; for whoever does these things is an abomination to Yahweh your God.

UST

⁵ Women must not wear men's clothes, and men must not wear women's clothes. Yahweh our God hates people who do things like that.

What behavior does Yahweh find disgusting?

Yahweh is disgusted when a woman wears men's clothing or a man puts on women's clothing.

Deuteronomy 22:6**ULT**

⁶ If a bird's nest happens to be in front of you on the road, in any tree or on the ground, with young ones or eggs in it, and the mother sitting on the young or on the eggs, you must not take the mother along with the young.

UST

⁶ If you happen to find a bird's nest in a tree or on the ground, and the mother bird is sitting in the nest on its eggs or with the baby birds, do not take the mother bird and kill it.

What should the people of Israel do if they find a mother in a bird's nest with her young or sitting on the eggs? (vv6-7)

They must let the mother go, but the young they may take for themselves.

Deuteronomy 22:7**ULT**

⁷ You must surely let the mother go, but the young you may take for yourself. Obey this command so that it may go well with you, and {that} you may prolong {your} days.

UST

⁷ You are permitted to take the baby birds, but you must allow the mother bird to fly away. Do this in order that things will go well for you and that you will live for a long time.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 22:8**ULT**

⁸ When you build a new house, then you must make a railing for your roof so that you do not bring blood on your house if anyone falls from there.

UST

⁸ If you build a new house, you must put a railing around the roof. In this way, you will not be guilty of having caused someone's death if a person falls from it and dies.

What was required when an Israelite would build a house?

It was required that he would make a railing for the roof so he would not bring blood on his house if anyone would fall from there.

Deuteronomy 22:9**ULT**

⁹ You must not plant your vineyard with two kinds of seed, so that the whole harvest is not confiscated by the holy place, the seed that you have sown and the yield of the vineyard.

UST

⁹ Do not plant any crop in the area where your grapevines are growing. If you do, the priests in Yahweh's sanctuary will seize both the seed and the harvest of that vineyard.

Why were the Israelites instructed to not plant their vineyards with two kinds of seeds?

The Israelites were not to plant with two kinds of seeds so that the whole harvest would not be confiscated by the sanctuary.

Deuteronomy 22:10**ULT**

¹⁰ You must not plow with an ox and a donkey together.

UST

¹⁰ Do not hitch together an ox and a donkey for plowing your fields.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 22:11**ULT**

¹¹ You must not wear fabric made of wool and linen together.

UST

¹¹ Do not wear clothing that is made by weaving together wool and linen.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 22:12**ULT**

¹² You must make yourself fringes on the four corners of the cloak with which you clothe {yourself}.

UST

¹² Twist threads together to make tassels and sew them on the four bottom corners of your cloak.

What must you put on the four corners of the cloak with which you clothe yourself?

You must make yourself fringes on the four corners of the cloak with which you clothe yourself.

Deuteronomy 22:13**ULT**

¹³ Suppose a man takes a wife, and he goes in to her, and then hates her,

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¹³ Suppose a man marries a young woman and sleeps with her and later decides that he does not want her anymore,

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 22:14**ULT**

¹⁴ and then accuses her of shameful things and puts a bad reputation on her, and says, 'I took this woman, but when I came near to her, I {found} no proof of virginity in her.'

UST

¹⁴ and suppose that he says false things about her, and claims that she was not a virgin when he married her.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 22:15**ULT**

¹⁵ Then the father and mother of the girl must take proof of her virginity to the elders at the city gate.

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¹⁵ If that happens, the young woman's parents must take the sheet that was on the bed when the man and their daughter were married, which still has bloodstains on it, and show it to the elders of the city at the gate of the city.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 22:16**ULT**

¹⁶ The girl's father must say to the elders, 'I gave my daughter to this man as a wife, and he hates her.'

UST

¹⁶ Then the father of the young woman must say to the elders, 'I gave my daughter to this man to be his wife. But now he says that he does not want her anymore.'

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 22:17**ULT**

¹⁷ See, he has accused her of shameful things and said, "I did not find in your daughter the proof of virginity." But here is the proof of my daughter's virginity.' Then they will spread the garment out before the elders of the city.

UST

¹⁷ And he has falsely said that she was not a virgin when he married her. But look! Here is what proves that my daughter was a virgin! Look at the bloodstains on the sheet where they slept the night that they were married! And he will show the sheet to the elders.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 22:18**ULT**

¹⁸ The elders of that city must take that man and punish him;

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¹⁸ Then the elders of that city must take that man and whip him.

What must happen if a man has made a false accusation against his wife? (vv18-19)

The elders of the city must punish him by fining him one hundred shekels of silver which would be given to the father of the wife and the man could never send his wife away.

Deuteronomy 22:19**ULT**

¹⁹ and they must fine him one hundred {shekels} of silver, and give them to the father of the girl, because the man has caused a bad reputation for a virgin of Israel. She must be his wife; he may not send her away during all his days.

UST

¹⁹ They shall require that he pay a fine of one hundred pieces of silver and give the money to the father of the young woman, because the man has brought shame on an Israelite young woman. Also, that woman must continue to live with him; she is his wife. He is not allowed to divorce her during the rest of his life.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 22:20**ULT**

²⁰ But if this thing is true, that the proof of virginity was not found in the girl,

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²⁰ But if what the man said is true, and there is nothing to prove that she was a virgin when he married her,

What should happen if the proof of the wife's virginity is not found? (vv20-21)

If the proof of her virginity is not found, then she must be brought out and stoned to death because she has committed a disgraceful action.

Deuteronomy 22:21**ULT**

²¹ then they must bring out the girl to the door of her father's house, and the men of her city must stone her to death with stones, because she has committed a disgraceful action in Israel, to act as a harlot in her father's house; and you will remove the evil from among you.

UST

²¹ they must take that young woman to the door of her father's house. Then the men of that city must execute her by throwing stones at her. They must do that because she has done something in Israel that is very disgraceful, by sleeping with some man while she was still living in her father's house. By executing her like that, you will get rid of this evil practice from among you.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 22:22**ULT**

²² If a man is found lying with a woman {who is} married to another man, then they must both die, the man who was lying with the woman and the woman herself; and you will remove the evil from among you.

UST

²² If a man is caught while he is sleeping with another man's wife, both of them must be executed. By doing that, you will get rid of this evil practice from Israel.

What must happen if a man is found lying with a woman married to another man?

Both the man and the woman must be stoned to death to erase the evil.

Deuteronomy 22:23**ULT**

²³ If there is a girl who is a virgin, engaged to a man, and another man finds her in the city and lies with her,

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²³ Suppose in some town a man sees a young woman who is promised to be married to another man, and he is caught sleeping with her.

Why are the people of Israel instructed to stone to death both a girl who is a virgin engaged to a man and another man if they are found lying together? (vv23-24)

They are instructed to stone both of them because the girl did not cry out when she was in the city and the man humiliated the wife of a fellow Israelite.

Deuteronomy 22:24**ULT**

²⁴ take both of them to the city gate, and stone them to death. You must stone the girl, because she did not cry out, even though she was in the city. You must stone the man, because he violated his neighbor's wife; and you will remove the evil from among you.

UST

²⁴ You must take both of them to the gate of that town, where the town leaders decide important matters. There you must execute them both by throwing stones at them. You must execute the young woman because she did not shout for help even though she was in the town. And the man must be executed because he slept with someone who was already promised to be married. By doing that, you will get rid of this evil practice from among you

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 22:25**ULT**

²⁵ But if the man finds the engaged girl in the field, and if he seizes her and lies with her, then only the man who lies with her must die.

UST

²⁵ But suppose out in the open countryside a man meets a young woman who is engaged to be married, and he forces her to sleep with him. If that happens, only that man must be executed.

What must happen if the man would force the girl to lie with him when they are out in a field? (vv25-27)

If this happens out in a field, then the man must die, but nothing must be done to the girl because he found her out in the field and there was no one there to save her.

Deuteronomy 22:26**ULT**

²⁶ But to the girl you must do nothing; {there is} no sin {worthy} of death in the girl. For this case is like when a man attacks his neighbor and kills him.

UST

²⁶ You must not punish the young woman, because she did not do anything for which she deserves to be executed. This case is like when one man attacks another man in the countryside and murders him,

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 22:27**ULT**

²⁷ For he found her in the field; the engaged girl cried out, {but there} was no one to save her.

UST

²⁷ because the man who forced her to sleep with him saw her when she was in the open countryside, and even though she called out for help, there was no one there who could rescue her.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 22:28**ULT**

²⁸ If a man finds a girl {who is} a virgin but who is not engaged, and if he seizes her and lies with her, and if they are discovered,

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²⁸ If a man forces a young woman who is not engaged to be married to sleep with him, and if someone sees him while he is doing that,

What must happen if a man lies with a girl who is a virgin, but who is not engaged and they are discovered? (vv28-29)

Then the man must give fifty shekels of silver to the girl's father and take the girl as his wife rather than sending her away.

Deuteronomy 22:29**ULT**

²⁹ then the man who lay with her must give fifty {shekels} of silver to the girl's father, and she must become his wife, because he has violated her. He may not send her away during all his days.

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²⁹ that man must pay fifty pieces of silver to the young woman's father, and he must marry her, because he shamed her by forcing her to sleep with him. He is not allowed to divorce her during the rest of his life.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 22:30**ULT**

³⁰ A man must not take his father's wife as his own; he must not take away his father's marriage rights.

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³⁰ A man must not take what belongs to his father by sleeping with any of his father's wives.

Why must a man not take his father's wife as his own?

A man must not take his father's wife as his own because he would be taking away his father's marriage rights.

Deuteronomy 23

Deuteronomy 23:1

ULT

¹ No man injured by crushing or cutting off may enter the assembly of Yahweh.

UST

¹ Any male person whose reproductive organs have been destroyed may not be included as one of Yahweh's people.

Who would not be allowed to enter into the assembly of Yahweh? (vv1-2)

Any male whose private parts have been crushed or cut off, or the illegitimate child is not allowed to enter into the assembly of Yahweh.

Deuteronomy 23:2

ULT

² No illegitimate child may belong to the assembly of Yahweh; as far as to the tenth generation of his {descendants}, none of them may belong to the assembly of Yahweh.

UST

² No illegitimate person or descendant of an illegitimate person, extending to the tenth generation, shall be included as one of Yahweh's people.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 23:3

ULT

³ An Ammonite or a Moabite may not belong to the assembly of Yahweh; as far as to the tenth generation of his {descendants}, none of them may belong to the assembly of Yahweh.

UST

³ No one from the Ammon or Moab people groups shall be included as one of Yahweh's people, extending to the tenth generation.

Why must neither an Ammonite nor a Moabite enter into the assembly of Yahweh? (vv3-4)

They can enter into the assembly because they did not meet the Israelites with bread and water on the road when they came out of Egypt and they hired Balaam to curse them.

Deuteronomy 23:4**ULT**

⁴ This is because they did not meet you with bread and with water on the road when you had come out of Egypt, and because they hired against you Balaam son of Beor from Pethor in Aram Naharaim, to curse you.

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⁴ One reason for this is that their leaders refused to give your ancestors food and water when they were traveling from Egypt to Canaan. Another reason is that they paid Balaam son of Beor from the town of Pethor in Mesopotamia, to curse you Israelites.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 23:5**ULT**

⁵ But Yahweh your God would not listen to Balaam; instead, Yahweh your God turned the curse into a blessing for you, because Yahweh your God loved you.

UST

⁵ But Yahweh our God did not pay attention to Balaam; instead, he caused Balaam to bless your ancestors, because Yahweh loved them.

What evidence showed that Yahweh did not listen to Balaam?

Yahweh turned the curse of Balaam into a blessing for Israel.

Deuteronomy 23:6**ULT**

⁶ You must never seek their peace or prosperity, during all your days.

UST

⁶ As long as Israel is a nation, you must not do anything to cause things to go well for those two people groups to enable them to prosper.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 23:7**ULT**

⁷ You must not detest an Edomite, for he {is} your brother; you must not abhor an Egyptian, because you were a foreigner in his land.

UST

⁷ But do not despise anyone from the Edom people group, because they are descendants of your ancestor Isaac, just like you are. And do not despise people from Egypt, because they treated your ancestors well when they first lived in Egypt.

Why were Edomites and Egyptians allowed to enter into the assembly of Yahweh? (vv7-8)

An Edomite was allowed to be in the assembly because he was a fellow Israelite and an Egyptian was allowed in the assembly since Israel was once a foreigner in his land.

Deuteronomy 23:8**ULT**

⁸ The descendants of the third generation that are born to them may belong to the assembly of Yahweh.

UST

⁸ The grandchildren of people from Edom and Egypt who live among you now may be included among Yahweh's people.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 23:9**ULT**

⁹ When you march out as an army against your enemies, then you must keep yourselves from every evil thing.

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⁹ When your soldiers are living in camp in time of war, they must avoid doing things that would make them unacceptable to God.

How could a man in the Israelite army who had become unclean because of what had happened to him at night become clean again so he could come back inside the camp? (vv9-11)

He could bathe himself in water in the evening and then be allowed to come back inside the camp.

Deuteronomy 23:10**ULT**

¹⁰ If there is among you any man who is unclean because of what happened to him at night, then he must go out of the army's camp; he must not come back into the camp.

UST

¹⁰ If any soldier becomes unacceptable to God because semen comes out of his body during the night, the next morning he must go outside the camp and stay there during that day.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 23:11**ULT**

¹¹ When evening comes, he must bathe himself in water; when the sun goes down, he will come back inside the camp.

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¹¹ But in the evening of that day, he must bathe himself, and at sunset he will be allowed to come back into the camp.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 23:12**ULT**

¹² You must have a place also outside the camp to which you will go;

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¹² Your soldiers must have a toilet area outside the camp where you can go when you need to.

Why did Yahweh give instructions to the people of Israel about where and how to relieve themselves? (vv12-14)

Yahweh was walking in the midst of their camp, so the camp must be holy in order that Yahweh would not see any unclean thing and turn away from them.

Deuteronomy 23:13**ULT**

¹³ and you will have something among your tools to dig with; when you squat down to relieve yourself, you must dig with it and then put back the earth and cover up what has come out from you.

UST

¹³ When you go to fight against your enemies, carry a stick along with your weapons, in order that when you need to defecate, you can dig a hole with the stick, and then cover up the hole when you have finished defecating.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 23:14**ULT**

¹⁴ For Yahweh your God walks in the midst of your camp to give you victory and to give your enemies into your hand. Therefore your camp must be holy, so that he may not see any unclean thing among you and turn away from you.

UST

¹⁴ You must keep the camp acceptable to Yahweh our God, because he is with you in your camp to protect you and to enable you to defeat your enemies. Do not do anything disgraceful that would cause Yahweh to turn away from you.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 23:15**ULT**

¹⁵ You must not give back to his master a slave who has escaped from his master.

UST

¹⁵ If slaves who escape from their masters come to you and request you to protect them, do not send them back to their masters.

How were the instructions Yahweh gave about slaves unusual? (vv15-16)

A slave who escaped from his master was not to be returned, but allowed to live with them in whatever town he chose.

Deuteronomy 23:16**ULT**

¹⁶ Let him live with you, in whatever town he chooses. Do not oppress him.

UST

¹⁶ Allow them to stay among you, in whatever town they choose, and do not mistreat them.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 23:17**ULT**

¹⁷ There must be no cultic prostitute among any of the daughters of Israel, neither must there be a cultic prostitute among the sons of Israel.

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¹⁷ Do not allow any Israelite man or woman to become prostitutes at the temple.

Why did Yahweh not allow any prostitutes or sodomites among the Israelites nor allow their wages to be used as a vow in his house? (vv17-18)

Yahweh was disgusted with anything connected with the evil behavior of the prostitutes or sodomites.

Deuteronomy 23:18**ULT**

¹⁸ You must not bring the wages of a prostitute or the wages of a dog into the house of Yahweh your God for any vow; for both {these are} abominations to Yahweh your God.

UST

¹⁸ Also, do not allow any people who earned money from being a prostitute to bring any of that money into the temple of Yahweh our God, even if they solemnly promised to pay that money to him. Yahweh hates those who are prostitutes.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 23:19**ULT**

¹⁹ You must not lend on interest to your fellow Israelite—interest of money, interest of food, or the interest of anything that is lent on interest.

UST

¹⁹ When you lend money or food or anything else to a fellow Israelite, do not charge them interest.

How was the policy of lending money different when it involved foreigners instead of fellow Israelites? (vv19-20)

They were never to lend on interest to their fellow Israelites, but they were allowed to lend on interest to foreigners.

Deuteronomy 23:20**ULT**

²⁰ To a foreigner you may lend on interest; but to your fellow Israelite you must not lend on interest, so that Yahweh your God may bless you in all that you put your hand to, in the land which you are going in to possess.

UST

²⁰ You are allowed to charge interest when you lend money to foreigners who live in your land, but not when you lend money to Israelites. Do this in order that Yahweh our God will bless you in everything that you do in the land that you are about to enter and occupy.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 23:21**ULT**

²¹ When you make a vow to Yahweh your God, you must not be slow in fulfilling it, for Yahweh your God will surely require it of you; it would be sin for you not to fulfill it.

UST

²¹ When you solemnly promise to give something to Yahweh your God or to do something for him, do not delay in doing it. Yahweh expects you to do what you promised, and if you do not do it, you will be committing a sin.

How important was it for an Israelite to fulfill a vow he made to Yahweh? (vv21-23)

An Israelite was not to be slow in fulfilling a vow he made to Yahweh, but he was to observe what he freely promised with his mouth so that he would not be sinning against Yahweh.

Deuteronomy 23:22**ULT**

²² But if you will refrain from making a vow, it will be no sin for you.

UST

²² But if you do not solemnly promise to do something, that is not sinful.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 23:23**ULT**

²³ That which has gone out from your lips you must observe and do; according as you have vowed to Yahweh your God, anything that you have freely promised with your mouth.

UST

²³ But if you voluntarily promise to do something, you must do it.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 23:24**ULT**

²⁴ When you go into your neighbor's vineyard, you may eat as many grapes as you desire, but do not put {any} in your basket.

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²⁴ When you walk through someone else's vineyard, you are allowed to pick and eat as many grapes as you want, but you must not put any in a container and take them away.

How generous were the instructions from Yahweh about what the Israelites could eat from their neighbor's vineyard and fields? (vv24-25)

They could eat their fill of grapes from their neighbor's vineyard as long as they did not put any in containers and they could pluck the ears of grain from their neighbor's field as long as they did not use a sickle.

Deuteronomy 23:25

ULT

²⁵ When you go into your neighbor's ripe grain, you may pluck the heads of grain with your hand, but do not put a sickle to your neighbor's ripe grain.

UST

²⁵ When you walk along a path in someone else's field of grain, you are allowed to pluck some of the grain and eat it, but you must not cut any grain with a sickle and take it with you.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 24

Deuteronomy 24:1

ULT

¹ When a man takes a wife and marries her, if she finds no favor in his eyes because he has found some unsuitable thing in her, then he must write her a certificate of divorce, put {it} into her hand, and send her out of his house.

UST

¹ Suppose a man marries a woman and later decides that he does not want her because there is something offensive, and he sends her away from his house. And suppose he writes a paper in which he says that he is divorcing her, and he gives the paper to her and sends her away from his house

How does Yahweh make it possible for a man to divorce his wife? (vv1-2)

If a man has found some unsuitable thing in his wife, he can write her a bill of divorcement, put it in her hand, and send her out of his house where she can go and become another man's wife.

Deuteronomy 24:2

ULT

² When she has gone out of his house, she may go and be another man's {wife}.

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² Then suppose that she goes away. She is allowed to marry another man.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 24:3

ULT

³ {If} the second husband hates her and writes her a certificate of divorce, puts {it} into her hand, and sends her out of his house; or if the second husband dies, the man who took her to be his wife—

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³ Suppose that that man later also decides that he does not like her, and that he also writes a paper in which he says that he is divorcing her, and he sends her away from his house. Or, suppose that the second husband dies.

What does Yahweh not allow if the second husband writes her a bill of divorce and sends her out of the house or if he dies? (vv3-4)

Yahweh does not allow for the first husband who sent her away to take her again to be his wife.

Deuteronomy 24:4**ULT**

⁴ {then} her former husband, the one who had first sent her away, may not take her again to be his wife, after she has become impure; for that would be an abomination to Yahweh. You must not cause the land to become guilty, the land that Yahweh your God is giving you {as} an inheritance.

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⁴ If either of those things happen, her first husband must not marry her again. He must consider that she has become unacceptable to Yahweh. Yahweh would consider it to be disgusting if he married her again. You must not sin by doing that in the land that Yahweh our God is giving to you.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 24:5**ULT**

⁵ When a man takes a new wife, he will not go to war with the army, neither may he be commanded to go on any forced duty; he will be free to be at home for one year and will cheer his wife whom he has taken.

UST

⁵ When a man has just become married, he must not be required to become a soldier in the army or be required to do any other work for the government. He must be exempt from such work for one year after being married. He should stay at home and make his wife happy for that year.

What are the benefits for a man who has taken a new wife?

He does not have to go to war or be commanded to go on forced duty, but he can stay home for one year to make his new wife happy.

Deuteronomy 24:6**ULT**

⁶ No man may take a mill or an upper millstone as a pledge, for that would be taking a person's life as a pledge.

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⁶ Anyone who lends money to someone else is allowed to require that person to give him something to guarantee that he will pay back the money that he borrowed, but he must not take from him his millstone because that would be taking from the other person the millstone that his family needs to make flour for baking bread to stay alive.

Why was no man allowed to take a mill or an upper millstone as a pledge?

No man was allowed to take them, for he would be taking a man's livelihood as a pledge.

Deuteronomy 24:7**ULT**

⁷ If a man is found kidnapping any of his brothers from among the people of Israel, and treats him as a slave and sells him, that thief must die; and you will remove the evil from among you.

UST

⁷ If someone kidnaps a fellow Israelite to make that person his slave or to sell him to become someone else's slave, you must execute the person who did that. By doing that, you will get rid of this evil from among you.

What are the circumstances when a man would be declared a thief and must die?

A man would be declared a thief who must die if he would kidnap any of his Israelite brothers and treat him as a slave or sell him.

Deuteronomy 24:8**ULT**

⁸ Take heed regarding any plague of leprosy, so that you carefully observe and follow every instruction given to you which the priests, the Levites, teach you; as I commanded them, so you will act.

UST

⁸ If you are suffering from leprosy, be sure to do everything that the priests, who are from the tribe of Levi, tell you to do. Obey carefully the instructions that I have given to them.

What word of caution from Yahweh about leprosy did Moses pass on to the people of Israel? (vv8-9)

Moses told the people of Israel to carefully observe and follow every instruction which Yahweh gave to the priests and Levites regarding any plague of leprosy.

Deuteronomy 24:9**ULT**

⁹ Call to mind what Yahweh your God did to Miriam as you were coming out of Egypt.

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⁹ Do not forget what Yahweh our God did to Miriam, when she became a leper, as your ancestors were coming out of Egypt.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 24:10**ULT**

¹⁰ When you make your neighbor any kind of loan, you must not go into his house to fetch his pledge.

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¹⁰ When you lend something to someone, do not go into his house to take the cloak that he says that he will give you to guarantee that he will return what he has borrowed.

What restrictions were given when a loan was made to a neighbor? (vv10-11)

When a loan was made to a neighbor, they were not to go into the house to get the pledge, but stand outside and wait for the man who received the loan to bring out the pledge.

Deuteronomy 24:11**ULT**

¹¹ You will stand outside, and the man to whom you have lent will bring the pledge outside to you.

UST

¹¹ Stand outside his house, and the man to whom you are lending something will bring the cloak out to you.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 24:12**ULT**

¹² If he is a poor man, you must not lie down to sleep with his pledge in your possession.

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¹² But if he is poor, do not keep that cloak overnight.

What must happen if the man who gives the pledge is a poor man? (vv12-13)

If the man is a poor man, the man who gives him the loan must not sleep with the pledge in his possession, but restore him the pledge by the time the sun goes down so he may sleep in his cloak.

Deuteronomy 24:13**ULT**

¹³ You must surely restore to him the pledge by the time the sun goes down, so that he may sleep in his cloak and bless you; it will be righteousness for you before Yahweh your God.

UST

¹³ When the sun sets, take the cloak back to him, in order that he may wear it while he sleeps. If you do that, he will ask God to bless you, and Yahweh our God will be pleased with you.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 24:14**ULT**

¹⁴ You must not oppress a hired servant who is poor and needy, whether he is of your fellow Israelites, or of the foreigners who are in your land within your city gates;

UST

¹⁴ Do not mistreat any servants whom you have hired who are poor and needy, whether they are Israelites or foreigners who are living in your town.

What must the people of Israel do to not oppress a hired servant who is poor and needy? (vv14-15)

They must give him his wages every day because he is poor and is counting on it.

Deuteronomy 24:15**ULT**

¹⁵ Each day you must give him his wage; the sun must not go down on this unsettled matter, for he is poor and is counting on it. Do this so that he does not cry out against you to Yahweh, and so that it not be a sin that you have committed.

UST

¹⁵ Every day, before sunset, you must pay them the money that they have earned. They are poor and they need to get their pay. If you do not pay them right away, they will cry out against you to Yahweh, and he will punish you for having sinned like that.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 24:16**ULT**

¹⁶ The parents must not be put to death for {their} children, neither must the children be put to death for {their} parents. Instead, everyone must be put to death for his own sin.

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¹⁶ Parents must not be executed for crimes that their children have committed, and children must not be executed for crimes that their parents have committed. People should be executed only for the crimes that they themselves have committed.

How did Yahweh make it clear that everyone was responsible for their own sins?

Yahweh told the people of Israel that the parents must not be put to death for the sins of their children and the children must not be put to death for the sins of their parents.

Deuteronomy 24:17**ULT**

¹⁷ You must not use force to take away the justice that is due the foreigner or the fatherless, nor take the widow's cloak as a pledge.

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¹⁷ You must do for foreigners who live among you and for orphans the things that the laws state that must be done for them. And if you lend something to a widow, do not take her coat from her as a guarantee that she will return it.

Why were the people of Israel reminded about their time of slavery in Egypt and how Yahweh rescued them from there? (vv17-18)

They were reminded so they would not force away the justice due the foreigner or the fatherless, nor take the widow's cloak as a pledge.

Deuteronomy 24:18**ULT**

¹⁸ Instead, you must call to mind that you were a slave in Egypt, and that Yahweh your God rescued you from there. Therefore I instruct you to obey this command.

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¹⁸ Do not forget that you had great troubles when you were slaves in Egypt, and that Yahweh our God rescued you from there. That is why I am commanding you to help others who have troubles.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 24:19**ULT**

¹⁹ When you reap your harvest in your field, and if you have forgotten an omer of grain in the field, you must not go back to get it; it must be for the foreigner, for the fatherless, or for the widow, so that Yahweh your God may bless you in all the work of your hands.

UST

¹⁹ When you harvest your crops, if you have forgotten that you left one bundle in the field, do not go back to get it. Leave it there for foreigners, orphans, and widows. If you do that, Yahweh will bless you in everything that you do.

What were the people of Israel commanded to do when they harvested their field or shook their olive tree? (vv19-20)

When the people of Israel harvested their field they were not to go back for a forgotten sheaf in the field or to shake their olive tree a second time, but to leave them for the foreigner, the fatherless, and the widow.

Deuteronomy 24:20**ULT**

²⁰ When you shake your olive tree, you must not go over the branches again; it will be for the foreigner, for the fatherless, or for the widow.

UST

²⁰ And when you have harvested all your olives from the trees once, do not go back to pick the ones that are still on the trees.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 24:21**ULT**

²¹ When you gather the grapes of your vineyard, you must not glean {it} again. What is left over will be for the foreigner, for the fatherless, and for the widow.

UST

²¹ Similarly, when you pick the grapes in your vineyard, do not go back a second time to try to find more. Leave them for the foreigners, orphans, and widows among you.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 24:22

ULT

²² You must call to mind that you were a slave in the land of Egypt; therefore I instruct you to obey this command.

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²² Do not forget that Yahweh acted kindly toward you when you were slaves in Egypt. That is why I am commanding you to be kind to those who are needy.”

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 25

Deuteronomy 25:1

ULT

¹ If there is a dispute between men and they go to court, and {the judges} judge them, then they will acquit the righteous and condemn the wicked.

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¹ "If two Israelites have a dispute and they go to a court, the judge will probably decide that one is innocent and that the other one is guilty.

How will a judge resolve a dispute between two men in court?

He will acquit the righteous and condemn the wicked to be beaten in his presence.

Deuteronomy 25:2

ULT

² If the guilty man deserves to be beaten, then the judge will make him lie down and be beaten in his presence with the ordered number of blows, as was his crime.

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² If the judge says that the guilty person must be punished, he shall command him to lie with his face on the ground and be whipped. The number of times he is struck with a whip will depend on what kind of crime he committed.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 25:3

ULT

³ The judge may give him forty blows, but he may not exceed that number; for if he should exceed that number and beat him with many more blows, then your fellow Israelite would be humiliated before your eyes.

UST

³ It is permitted that he be struck as many as forty times, but no more than that. If he is struck more than forty times, he would be humiliated publicly.

Why will a judge limit number of blows a wicked man will receive?

He will order number of blows to not exceed forty blows so the wicked will not be humiliated.

Deuteronomy 25:4**ULT**

⁴ You must not muzzle the ox when he treads out “the grain”.

UST

⁴ When your ox is walking on the grain to separate it from the chaff, do not prevent it from eating some of grain.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 25:5**ULT**

⁵ If brothers live together and one of them dies, not having any son, then the wife of the dead man must not be {married} off to someone else outside {the family}. Instead, her husband’s brother shall go in to her and take her to himself as a wife, and do the duty of a husband’s brother to her.

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⁵ If two brothers live on the same property, and one of them who has no son dies, the man’s widow should not marry someone who is not a member of his family. The dead man’s brother must marry her and sleep with her. It is his duty to do that.

What safeguard did Yahweh institute so that the name of a man would not perish from Israel? (vv5-6)

If a brother died without having a son, his brother must take the dead man’s widow as his wife so that the firstborn she bears will succeed in the name of that man’s dead brother.

Deuteronomy 25:6**ULT**

⁶ This is so that the firstborn that she bears will succeed in the name of that man’s dead brother, so that his name will not perish from Israel.

UST

⁶ If she later gives birth to a son, that son is to be considered the son of the man who died, in order that the dead man’s name will not disappear from Israel.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 25:7**ULT**

⁷ But if the man does not wish to take his brother's wife for himself, then his brother's wife must go up to the gate to the elders and say, 'My husband's brother refuses to raise up for his brother a name in Israel; he will not perform the duty of a husband's brother to me.'

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⁷ But if the dead man's brother does not want to marry that woman, she must stand at the city gate. She must say to the city leaders, 'My husband's brother refuses to marry me in order that I may give birth to a son who will prevent the dead man's name from disappearing in Israel.'

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 25:8**ULT**

⁸ Then the elders of his city must call him and speak to him. But suppose that he insists and says, 'I do not wish to take her.'

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⁸ Then the elders must summon that man and talk to him. Perhaps he will still refuse to marry that widow.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 25:9**ULT**

⁹ Then his brother's wife must come up to him in the presence of the elders, take off his sandal from his foot, and spit in his face. She must answer him and say, 'This is what is done to the man who does not build up his brother's house.'

UST

⁹ In that case, she must go up to him while the elders are watching, and take off one of his sandals to symbolize that he would not receive any of her property, spit in his face, and say to him, 'This is what happens to the man who refuses to do what is needed to allow his dead brother to have a son in order that our family name does not disappear.'

What punishment did Yahweh give to the people of Israel if the man's brother did not wish to take his brother's wife? (vv9-10)

The brother's wife will in the presence of the elders take off his sandal, spit in his face, and tell him that this is what is done when a man does not build up his brother's house.

Deuteronomy 25:10**ULT**

¹⁰ His name will be called in Israel, 'The house of him whose sandal has been taken off.'

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¹⁰ After that happens, that man's family will be known as 'the family of the man whose sandal was pulled off.'

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 25:11**ULT**

¹¹ If men fight with each other, and the wife of one comes to rescue her husband out of the hand of him who struck him, and if she stretches out her hand and takes him by the private parts,

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¹¹ When two men are fighting with each other, and the one man's wife comes up to help her husband by grabbing hold of the other man's private parts,

What would cause a wife to have one of her hands cut off? (vv11-12)

If two men were fighting and the wife of one of the men grabs the private part of the other man in an attempt to rescue her husband, then her hand must be cut off.

Deuteronomy 25:12**ULT**

¹² then you must cut off her hand; your eye must have no pity.

UST

¹² do not act mercifully toward her; cut off her hand.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 25:13**ULT**

¹³ You must not have in your bag different weights, a large and a small.

UST

¹³⁻¹⁴ When you are buying or selling things, do not try to cheat people by having two kinds of weights, one which you use when you buy something and one which you use when you sell something, or two kinds of measuring baskets, one which you use when you buy something and one which you use when you sell something.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 25:14**ULT**

¹⁴ You must not have in your house different measures, a large and a small.

UST

¹³⁻¹⁴ When you are buying or selling things, do not try to cheat people by having two kinds of weights, one which you use when you buy something and one which you use when you sell something, or two kinds of measuring baskets, one which you use when you buy something and one which you use when you sell something.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 25:15**ULT**

¹⁵ A perfect and just weight you must have; a perfect and just measure you must have, so that your days may be long in the land that Yahweh your God is giving you.

UST

¹⁵ Always use correct weights and correct measuring baskets, in order that Yahweh our God will allow you to live a long time in the land that he is giving to you.

What kind of unrighteous act is disgusting to Yahweh? (vv15-16)

It is disgusting to Yahweh when a man has a large and a small weight to measure rather than a perfect and just weight.

Deuteronomy 25:16**ULT**

¹⁶ For all who do such {things}, all that act unrighteously, {are} an abomination to Yahweh your God.

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¹⁶ Yahweh hates all those who act dishonestly, and he will punish them.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 25:17**ULT**

¹⁷ Call to mind what Amalek did to you on the road as you came out of Egypt,

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¹⁷ Continue to remember what the Amalek people group did to your ancestors when they were coming out of Egypt.

**Why must the people of Israel blot out the remembrance of Amalek from under heaven?
(vv17-19)**

Amalek did not honor God when Amalek met Israel on the road and attacked those who were faint and weary at the rear as they came out of Egypt.

Deuteronomy 25:18**ULT**

¹⁸ how he met you on the road and attacked those of you at the rear, all who {were} feeble in your rear, when you were faint and weary; he did not honor God.

UST

¹⁸ They attacked your ancestors as they were traveling, when they were weak and exhausted. Those people were not afraid of God at all, so they attacked your ancestors from the rear and killed all those who were unable to walk as fast as the others.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 25:19**ULT**

19 Therefore, when Yahweh your God has given you rest from all your enemies round about, in the land that Yahweh your God is giving you to possess {as} an inheritance, you must not forget {that} you must blot out the remembrance of Amalek from under heaven.

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19 Therefore, when Yahweh our God has given you the land that he promised to give you, and when he has enabled you to rest from fighting all your enemies around you, kill all the Amalek people group, with the result that no one will remember them anymore. Do not forget to do this!

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 26

Deuteronomy 26:1

ULT

¹ When you have come into the land that Yahweh your God is giving you {as} an inheritance, and when you possess it and live in it,

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¹ After you occupy the land that Yahweh our God is giving to you, and you have settled there,

What must the people of Israel do when they possess the land which Yahweh has given them? (vv1-2)

The people of Israel must take some of the first of all the harvest of the land in a basket and go to the place Yahweh has chosen as his sanctuary.

Deuteronomy 26:2

ULT

² then you must take some of the first of all the harvest of the land that you have brought in from the land that Yahweh your God is giving you. You must put {it} in a basket and go to the place that Yahweh your God will choose as his sanctuary.

UST

² each of you must take some of the first crops that you harvest, put it in a basket, and take it to the place that Yahweh will have chosen for you to worship there.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 26:3

ULT

³ You must go to the priest who will be serving in those days and say to him, 'I acknowledge today to Yahweh your God that I have come to the land that Yahweh swore to our ancestors to give us.'

UST

³ Go to the high priest who is serving at that time and say to him, 'By giving you this first part of my harvest today, I am declaring to Yahweh our God that I have picked it in the land that he solemnly promised to our ancestors to give to us.'

What must the people of Israel say to the priest when they give him the basket?

The people of Israel must say to him, "I acknowledge today to Yahweh that I have come to the land that he swore to give to our ancestors."

Deuteronomy 26:4**ULT**

⁴ The priest must take the basket out of your hand and set it down before the altar of Yahweh your God.

UST

⁴ Then the priest must take the basket of food from your hand and put it on the altar where sacrifices are offered to Yahweh our God.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 26:5**ULT**

⁵ You must say before Yahweh your God, 'My ancestor {was} a wandering Aramean. He went down into Egypt and stayed there, and his people were few in number. There he became a great, mighty, and populous nation.

UST

⁵ Then in Yahweh's presence you must say this: 'My ancestor Jacob was a man from Aram and powerful nation. He took his family to Egypt. They were a small group when they went there, but they lived there and their descendants became a very large and powerful nation.

What must the people of Israel say was their father?

The people of Israel must say their father was a wandering Aramean.

Deuteronomy 26:6**ULT**

⁶ The Egyptians treated us badly and afflicted us. They made us do the work of slaves.

UST

⁶ Then the people of Egypt acted very harshly toward them, and they forced them to become their slaves and to work very hard.

How did the Egyptians treat the Israelites when they were in Egypt?

They treated the Israelites badly and afflicted them, making them do the work of slaves.

Deuteronomy 26:7**ULT**

⁷ We cried out to Yahweh, the God of our fathers, and he heard our voice and saw our affliction, our labor, and our oppression.

UST

⁷ Then our ancestors cried out to you, Yahweh our God, and you heard them. You saw that they were suffering, and that they were forced to work very hard, and were being oppressed.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 26:8**ULT**

⁸ Yahweh brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand, with an outstretched arm, with great fearsomeness, with signs, and with wonders;

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⁸ Then by your great power and by performing many kinds of miracles, and other terrifying things, you brought them out of Egypt.

How did Yahweh bring Israel out of Egypt? (vv8-9)

He brought them out with a mighty hand, with a display of his power, with great fearsome power, with signs, and with wonders.

Deuteronomy 26:9**ULT**

⁹ and he has brought us to this place and has given us this land, a land that flows with milk and honey.

UST

⁹ You brought us to this land and gave it to us, a land that is very fertile.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 26:10**ULT**

¹⁰ Now look, I have brought the first of the harvest of the land that you, Yahweh, have given me.' You must set it down before Yahweh your God and worship before him;

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¹⁰ So now, Yahweh, I have brought to you the first part of the harvest from the land that I received.' Then you must set the basket down in Yahweh's presence and worship him there.

What is the purpose for setting down the basket before Yahweh? (vv10-11)

The purpose is to worship Yahweh and rejoice in all the good that he has done for Israel, their house, the Levite, and the foreigner among them.

Deuteronomy 26:11**ULT**

¹¹ and you must rejoice in all the good that Yahweh your God has done for you, for your house—you, and the Levite, and the foreigner who {is} among you.

UST

¹¹ And you must celebrate by eating a meal together to thank Yahweh our God for all the good things that he has given to you and to your family. And you must invite the descendants of Levi and the foreigners who are living among you to also rejoice and eat with you.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 26:12**ULT**

¹² When you have finished giving all the tithe of your harvest in the third year, that is, the year of tithing, then you must give it to the Levite, to the foreigner, to the fatherless, and to the widow, so that they may eat within your city gates and be filled.

UST

¹² Every third year, you must bring to the descendants of Levi and to the foreigners who are living among you and the orphans and the widows a tithe of your crops, in order that in every town they will have plenty to eat.

What must the people of Israel do after they have finished giving all the tithe from their harvest?

The people of Israel must give it to the Levite, to the foreigner, to the fatherless, and to the widow so they may eat and be filled.

Deuteronomy 26:13**ULT**

¹³ You must say before Yahweh your God, 'I have brought out of {my} house the things that belong to Yahweh, and have given them to the Levite, to the foreigner, to the fatherless, and to the widow, according to all your commandments that you have given me. I have not transgressed any of your commandments, neither have I forgotten them.'

UST

¹³ Then you must say to Yahweh, 'I have brought to you, from my house, all of the tenth from my harvest this year, the tenth that I have set aside for you. I am giving it to the descendants of Levi, to the foreigners, the orphans, and the widows, as you commanded us to do. I have not disobeyed any of your commands about the tenth portion, and I have not forgotten any of your commands about it.'

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 26:14**ULT**

¹⁴ I have not eaten {any} of it in my mourning, nor have I put it somewhere else when I was impure, nor have I given {any} of it in honor of the dead. I have listened to the voice of Yahweh my God; I have obeyed everything you have commanded me to do.

UST

¹⁴ I declare that I have not eaten any food from the tenth portion while I was mourning for someone who died. And I have not taken any of it out of my house while I was in any condition unacceptable to you; I have not offered any of it to spirits of dead people. Yahweh, I have obeyed you and done everything that you have commanded us concerning the tenth portion.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 26:15**ULT**

¹⁵ Look down from the holy place where you live, from heaven, and bless your people Israel, and the land that you have given us, as you had sworn to our fathers, a land flowing with milk and honey.'

UST

¹⁵ So please look down from your holy place in heaven, and bless us, your Israelite people. Also bless this very fertile land which you have given to us, which is what you promised our ancestors that you would do.'

What do the people of Israel want Yahweh to do for them?

The people of Israel want Yahweh to look down from heaven and bless them in the land which he has given to them.

Deuteronomy 26:16**ULT**

¹⁶ Today Yahweh your God is commanding you to obey these statutes and decrees; you will therefore keep them and do them with all your heart and with all your soul.

UST

¹⁶ Today Yahweh our God is commanding you to obey all these rules and decrees. So obey them faithfully, with all your inner being.

What is Yahweh commanding the people of Israel to do?

He is commanding the people of Israel to obey his statutes and decrees with all their heart and soul.

Deuteronomy 26:17**ULT**

¹⁷ You have declared today that Yahweh is your God, and that you will walk in his ways and keep his statutes, his commandments, and his decrees, and that you will listen to his voice.

UST

¹⁷ Today you have declared that he is your God, and that you will conduct your lives as he wants you to do, and that you will obey all his commands and rules and decrees, and that you will do all that he tells you to do.

What have the people of Israel acknowledged before Yahweh?

They have acknowledged that Yahweh is their God and that they will walk in his ways, keep his commandments, and listen to his voice.

Deuteronomy 26:18**ULT**

¹⁸ Today Yahweh has declared that you are a people who are his own possession, as he had promised you, and that {you} are to keep all his commandments,

UST

¹⁸ And today Yahweh has declared that you are his people, which is what he promised that you would be, and he commands you to obey all his commands.

What has Yahweh acknowledged to the people of Israel? (vv18-19)

Yahweh has acknowledged that Israel is his own possession and he will set them high above all the other nations in respect to praise, reputation, and honor so they will be a people that is holy to him.

Deuteronomy 26:19

ULT

¹⁹ and he will set you high above all the other nations that he has made, and you will receive praise, fame, and honor. You will be a people that is set apart to Yahweh your God, just as he said.”

UST

¹⁹ If you do that, he will cause you to become greater than any other nation that he has established, and he will enable you to praise him and honor him. You are a special people to Yahweh, set apart and holy to him, just as he promised.”

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 27

Deuteronomy 27:1

ULT

¹ Moses and the elders of Israel commanded the people and said, "Keep all the commandments that I command you today.

UST

¹ Moses, along with the other Israelite leaders, said this to the people: "Obey all the commandments that I am giving to you today.

What did Moses and the elders of Israel command the people of Israel to keep?

Moses and the elders of Israel told the people to keep all the commandments that Moses commanded them that day.

Deuteronomy 27:2

ULT

² On the day when you will pass over the Jordan to the land that Yahweh your God is giving you, you must set up some large stones and plaster them with plaster.

UST

² Soon you will cross the Jordan River and enter the land that Yahweh, your God, promised to give to you. There, set up some large stones and cover them with plaster.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 27:3

ULT

³ You must write on them all the words of this law when you have passed over; that you may go into the land that Yahweh your God is giving you, a land flowing with milk and honey, as Yahweh, the God of your ancestors, has promised you.

UST

³ Write on those stones all these laws and teachings, when you enter that very fertile land that Yahweh, the God whom our ancestors worshiped, promised to give to you.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 27:4**ULT**

⁴ When you have passed over the Jordan, set up these stones that I am commanding you about today, on Mount Ebal, and plaster them with plaster.

UST

⁴ When you have crossed the Jordan River, set up some large stones on Mount Ebal, just as I told you, and cover them with plaster.

What must the people of Israel do after they pass over the Jordan to the land which Yahweh would give them?

They must set up some large stones with plaster and write on them all the words of the law.

Deuteronomy 27:5**ULT**

⁵ There you must build an altar to Yahweh your God, an altar of stones; but you must raise no iron {tool} to work the stones.

UST

⁵ And build a stone altar there to offer sacrifices to Yahweh, but do not do any work on those stones with iron tools.

What must the people of Israel build on Mount Ebal?

The people of Israel must build an altar of stone to Yahweh without using iron tools to offer burned offerings to him.

Deuteronomy 27:6**ULT**

⁶ You must build the altar of Yahweh your God of unworked stones; you must offer burnt offerings on it to Yahweh your God,

UST

⁶ The altar that you make to burn sacrifices to Yahweh our God must be made with uncut stones.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 27:7**ULT**

⁷ and you will sacrifice fellowship offerings and will eat there; you will rejoice before Yahweh your God.

UST

⁷ And there you must sacrifice offerings to restore fellowship with Yahweh, and you must eat your share of those offerings and rejoice in the presence of Yahweh.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 27:8**ULT**

⁸ You will write on the stones all the words of this law very plainly.”

UST

⁸ And, when you write these laws on those stones, you must write them very clearly.”

What were the people of Israel to write on the stones they had plastered?

They were to write on the stones very plainly all the words of the law.

Deuteronomy 27:9**ULT**

⁹ Moses and the priests, the Levites, spoke to all Israel and said, “Be silent and listen, Israel: Today you have become the people of Yahweh your God.

UST

⁹ Then Moses, along with the priests, said to all the Israelite people, “You Israelite people, be quiet and listen to what I am saying. Today you have become the people who belong to Yahweh, our God.

Why was it important for the people of Israel to hear the voice of Yahweh and obey his commandments that day? (vv9-10)

It was important because on that day they became the people of Yahweh.

Deuteronomy 27:10**ULT**

¹⁰ You must therefore obey the voice of Yahweh your God and obey his commandments and statutes that I am commanding you today."

UST

¹⁰ So you must do what he tells you, and obey all the rules and regulations that I am giving to you today."

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 27:11**ULT**

¹¹ Moses commanded the people the same day and said,

UST

¹¹ On that same day Moses said to the Israelite people,

Why were six of the tribes of Israel commanded to stand on Mount Gerizim? (vv11-12)

Moses told the people that six of the tribes of Israel must stand on Mount Gerizim to bless the people.

Deuteronomy 27:12**ULT**

¹² "These tribes must stand on Mount Gerizim to bless the people after you have passed over the Jordan: Simeon, Levi, Judah, Issachar, Joseph, and Benjamin.

UST

¹² "After you have crossed over the Jordan River, the tribes of Simeon, Levi, Judah, Issachar, Joseph, and Benjamin must stand on Mount Gerizim and request Yahweh to bless the people.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 27:13**ULT**

¹³ These are the tribes that must stand on Mount Ebal to pronounce curses: Reuben, Gad, Asher, Zebulun, Dan, and Naphtali.

UST

¹³ And the tribes of Reuben, Gad, Asher, Zebulun, Dan, and Naphtali must stand on Mount Ebal and listen to the things that Yahweh will do when he curses the people.

Why were six of the tribes of Israel commanded to stand on Mount Ebal?

Six of the tribes of Israel were commanded to stand on Mount Ebal to pronounce curses.

Deuteronomy 27:14**ULT**

¹⁴ The Levites will answer and say to all the men of Israel in a loud voice:

UST

¹⁴ The descendants of Levi must shout these words loudly:

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 27:15**ULT**

¹⁵ 'May the man be cursed who makes a carved or cast figure, an abomination to Yahweh, the work of the hands of a craftsman, and who sets it up in secret.' Then all the people must answer and say, 'Amen.'

UST

¹⁵ 'Yahweh will curse anyone who carves a figure from wood or stone or casts a figure from metal, and secretly sets it up and worships it. Yahweh considers that those things are detestable.' And all the people must reply, 'Amen.'

What is one thing that is disgusting to Yahweh?

One thing that is disgusting to Yahweh is a carved or cast figure made by a craftsman who sets it up in secret.

Deuteronomy 27:16**ULT**

¹⁶ 'May the man be cursed who dishonors his father or his mother.' Then all the people must say, 'Amen.'

UST

¹⁶ 'Yahweh will curse anyone who dishonors his father or his mother.' And all the people must reply, 'Amen.'

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 27:17**ULT**

¹⁷ 'May the man be cursed who removes his neighbor's landmark.' Then all the people must say, 'Amen.'

UST

¹⁷ 'Yahweh will curse anyone who removes someone else's markers of property boundaries.' And all the people must reply, 'Amen.'

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 27:18**ULT**

¹⁸ 'May the man be cursed who makes the blind to wander away from the road.' Then all the people must say, 'Amen.'

UST

¹⁸ 'Yahweh will curse anyone who leads a blind person to go in the wrong direction.' And all the people must reply, 'Amen.'

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 27:19**ULT**

¹⁹ 'May the man be cursed who uses force to take away the justice due to a foreigner, fatherless, or widow.' Then all the people must say, 'Amen.'

UST

¹⁹ 'Yahweh will curse anyone who deprives foreigners or orphans or widow of the things that the laws state must be done for them.' And all the people must reply, 'Amen.'

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 27:20**ULT**

²⁰ 'May the man be cursed who lies with his father's wife, because he has taken away his father's rights.' Then all the people must say, 'Amen.'

UST

²⁰ 'Yahweh will curse anyone who shows no respect for his father by sleeping with any of his father's wives.' And all the people must reply, 'Amen.'

Why is a man cursed if he lies with his father's wife?

A man is cursed if he sleeps with his father's wife, because he has taken away his father's rights.

Deuteronomy 27:21**ULT**

²¹ 'May the man be cursed who lies with any kind of beast.' Then all the people must say, 'Amen.'

UST

²¹ 'Yahweh will curse anyone who sleeps with any animal.' And all the people must reply, 'Amen.'

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 27:22**ULT**

²² 'May the man be cursed who lies with his sister, the daughter of his father, or with the daughter of his mother.' Then all the people must say, 'Amen.'

UST

²² 'Yahweh will curse anyone who sleeps with his sister or with his half-sister.' And all the people must reply, 'Amen.'

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 27:23**ULT**

²³ 'May the man be cursed who lies with his mother-in-law.' Then all the people must say, 'Amen.'

UST

²³ 'Yahweh will curse anyone who sleeps with his mother-in-law.' And all the people must reply, 'Amen.'

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 27:24**ULT**

²⁴ 'May the man be cursed who kills his neighbor secretly.' Then all the people must say, 'Amen.'

UST

²⁴ 'Yahweh will curse anyone who secretly murders someone else.' And all the people must reply, 'Amen.'

What did the Levites say would happen to the man who secretly kills his neighbor or takes a bribe to kill an innocent person? (vv24-25)

That the man would be cursed.

Deuteronomy 27:25**ULT**

²⁵ 'May the man be cursed who takes a bribe to kill an innocent person.' Then all the people must say, 'Amen.'

UST

²⁵ 'Yahweh will curse anyone who, because someone else has given him a bribe, murders someone who is innocent.' And all the people must reply, 'Amen.'

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 27:26**ULT**

²⁶ 'May the man be cursed who does not confirm the words of this law, that he will obey them.' Then all the people must say, 'Amen.'

UST

²⁶ 'Yahweh will curse anyone who by disobeying these laws refuses to declare that those laws are good.' And all the people must reply, 'Amen.'"

Why did the Levites say a man should confirm the words of this law by obeying them?

A man should obey the words of this law so he would not be cursed.

Deuteronomy 28

Deuteronomy 28:1

ULT

¹ If you listen carefully to the voice of Yahweh your God so as to keep all his commandments that I am commanding you today, Yahweh your God will set you above all the other nations of the earth.

UST

¹ "If you do what Yahweh our God tells you to do and faithfully obey everything that I am today commanding you to do, he will cause you to become greater than any other nation on the earth.

What did the people of Israel have to do in order to be blessed by Yahweh and to be set above all the other nations of the earth? (vv1-2)

The people of Israel needed to listen carefully to the voice of Yahweh and keep all his commandments.

Deuteronomy 28:2

ULT

² All these blessings will come on you and overtake you, if you listen to the voice of Yahweh your God.

UST

² If you obey Yahweh, all these blessings will come to you.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 28:3

ULT

³ Blessed will you be in the city, and blessed will you be in the field.

UST

³ He will bless everything that you do when you are in the cities and he will bless every thing that you do when you are working in the fields.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 28:4**ULT**

⁴ Blessed {will be} the fruit of your body, and the fruit of your ground, and the fruit of your beasts, the increase of your cattle, and the young of your flock.

UST

⁴ He will bless you by giving you many children and by giving you abundant crops, and plenty of cattle and sheep.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 28:5**ULT**

⁵ Blessed {will be} your basket and your kneading trough.

UST

⁵ He will bless you by giving you plenty of grain to make bread.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 28:6**ULT**

⁶ Blessed {will you be} when you come in, and blessed {will you be} when you go out.

UST

⁶ He will bless you everywhere—when you go out of your houses and when you come into your houses.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 28:7**ULT**

⁷ Yahweh will cause your enemies who rise up against you to be struck down before you; they will come out against you one way but will flee before you seven ways.

UST

⁷ Yahweh will enable you to defeat the armies of your enemies; they will attack you from one direction, but they will run away from you in seven directions.

What will Yahweh do for the people of Israel if they will obey his commandments?

Yahweh will cause their enemies to be struck down before them.

Deuteronomy 28:8**ULT**

⁸ Yahweh will command the blessing to come on you in your barns and in all that you put your hand to; he will bless you in the land that he is giving you.

UST

⁸ Yahweh will bless you by filling your barns with grain, and he will bless all the work that you do; he will bless you in the land that he is giving to you.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 28:9**ULT**

⁹ Yahweh will establish you as a people that is set apart for himself, as he has sworn to you, if you keep the commandments of Yahweh your God, and walk in his ways.

UST

⁹ If you obey all the commandments that Yahweh our God has given to you and if you live your lives by following his commandments, he will make you his own, his holy people, which is just as he promised.

What will Yahweh make the people of Israel become if they will obey his commandments?

He will establish them as a people holy to himself.

Deuteronomy 28:10**ULT**

¹⁰ All the peoples of the earth will see that you are called by the name of Yahweh, and they will be afraid of you.

UST

¹⁰ Then all the people groups on the earth will realize that you belong to Yahweh, and they will be afraid of you.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 28:11**ULT**

¹¹ Yahweh will make you very prosperous in the fruit of your body, in the fruit of your cattle, in the fruit of your ground, in the land that he swore to your fathers to give you.

UST

¹¹ And Yahweh will cause you to prosper very much. He will give you many children, many cattle, and abundant crops in the land that he solemnly promised to our ancestors that he would give to you.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 28:12**ULT**

¹² Yahweh will open to you his storehouse of the heavens to give the rain for your land at the right time, and to bless all the work of your hand; you will lend to many nations, but you will not borrow.

UST

¹² At the time that rain is needed, Yahweh will send it from where he stores it in the sky, and he will bless all your work, with the result that you will be able to lend money to many other nations, but you will not need to borrow money from them.

What will Yahweh open for the people of Israel if they will obey his commandments?

Yahweh will open to them his storehouse of the heavens to give the rain for their land at the right time, and to bless all the work of their hand.

Deuteronomy 28:13**ULT**

¹³ Yahweh will make you the head, and not the tail; you will be only above, and you will never be beneath, if you listen to the commandments of Yahweh your God that I am commanding you today, so as to observe and to do {them},

UST

¹³ If you faithfully obey all of the commands of Yahweh our God that I am giving you today, Yahweh will cause your nation to be superior to other nations, not inferior to them; you will always be prosperous and you will never be needy.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 28:14**ULT**

¹⁴ and if you do not turn away from any of the words that I am commanding you today, {to} the right hand or {to} the left, so as to go after other gods to serve them.

UST

¹⁴ Yahweh will do all these things for you if you do not stop obeying what I am commanding you today, and if you never worship other gods.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 28:15**ULT**

¹⁵ But if you do not listen to the voice of Yahweh your God, so as to keep all his commandments and his statutes that I am commanding you today, then all these curses will come on you and overtake you.

UST

¹⁵ But if you do not do what Yahweh our God is telling you to do, and if you do not faithfully obey all his rules and regulations that I am giving to you today, he will bring these curses upon you and he will let them have their full force against you.

What will happen to the people of Israel if they will not listen to the voice of Yahweh and keep all his commandments?

All the curses will come upon them and overtake them.

Deuteronomy 28:16**ULT**

¹⁶ Cursed {will you be} in the city, and cursed {will you be} in the field.

UST

¹⁶ He will curse you when you are in the cities and he will curse you when you are working in the fields.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 28:17**ULT**

¹⁷ Cursed {will be} your basket and your kneading trough.

UST

¹⁷ He will curse you by not giving you much grain to make bread.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 28:18**ULT**

¹⁸ Cursed {will be} the fruit of your body, the fruit of your ground, the increase of your cattle, and the young of your flock.

UST

¹⁸ He will curse you by giving you only a few children, by giving you poor crops, and by not giving you many cattle and sheep.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 28:19**ULT**

¹⁹ Cursed {will you be} when you come in, and cursed {will you be} when you go out.

UST

¹⁹ He will curse you everywhere—when you go out of your houses and when you come into your houses.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 28:20**ULT**

²⁰ Yahweh will send on you curses, confusion, and rebukes in all that you put your hand to, until you are destroyed, and until you perish quickly because of your wicked actions by which you will have forsaken me.

UST

²⁰ If you do evil things and reject Yahweh, he will curse you by causing you to be confused, and to be frustrated in all that you do, until your enemies quickly and completely destroy you.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 28:21**ULT**

²¹ Yahweh will make the plague cling to you until he destroys you from off the land that you are going in to possess.

UST

²¹ Yahweh will send terrible diseases on you, until not one of you remains alive in the land that you are about to enter and occupy.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 28:22**ULT**

²² Yahweh will attack you with infectious diseases, with fever, with inflammation, and with drought and blistering heat, and with scorching winds and mildew. These will pursue you until you perish.

UST

²² Yahweh will afflict you with diseases that shrivel your bodies, with fever, with inflammation. It will be extremely hot, and it will not rain. There will be scorching winds, and he will cause your crops to rot. All these things will strike you until you die.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 28:23**ULT**

²³ Your skies that are over your head {will be} bronze, and the earth that is under you will be iron.

UST

²³ No rain will fall from the sky, with the result that the ground will be as hard as iron.

What will the skies and the earth become to the Israelites if they do not obey the commandments?

The skies will be bronze and the earth will be iron.

Deuteronomy 28:24**ULT**

²⁴ Yahweh will make the rain of your land into powder and dust; from the heavens it will come down on you, until you are destroyed.

UST

²⁴ Instead of sending rain, Yahweh will send strong winds to blow sand and dust over your land, until your land is ruined.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 28:25**ULT**

²⁵ Yahweh will cause you to be struck down before your enemies; you will go out one way against them but will flee before them seven ways. You will be tossed to and fro among all the kingdoms of the earth.

UST

²⁵ Yahweh will enable your enemies to defeat you; your soldiers will attack them from one direction, but will run away from them in seven directions, and when the people of other nations see what is happening to you, they will say that it is horrible.

What will happen Israel when they fight their enemies if they do not obey the commandments?

They will be struck down before their enemies, and flee seven ways before them.

Deuteronomy 28:26**ULT**

²⁶ Your dead body will be food to all the birds of the heavens and to the beasts of the earth; there will be no one to frighten {them} away.

UST

²⁶ You will die, and birds and wild animals will come and eat your corpses, and there will not be anyone to scare them away.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 28:27**ULT**

²⁷ Yahweh will attack you with the boils of Egypt and with ulcers, scurvy, and itch, from which you cannot be healed.

UST

²⁷ Yahweh will cause you to have boils on your skin, like he caused the people of Egypt to have many years ago. He will cause you to have tumors, open sores, and your skin will itch, but there will be nothing that will cure those diseases.

With what will Yahweh attack the people of Israel if they are disobedient? (vv27-28)

He will attack them with boils, ulcers, scurvy, and itch, and also with madness, blindness, and mental confusion.

Deuteronomy 28:28**ULT**

²⁸ Yahweh will attack you with madness, with blindness, and with mental confusion.

UST

²⁸ Yahweh will cause some of you to become insane; he will cause some of you to become blind, and he will cause some of your minds to become confused.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 28:29**ULT**

²⁹ You will grope about at noonday like the blind grope in the darkness, and you will not prosper in your ways; you will be always oppressed and robbed, and there will be no one to {save} you.

UST

²⁹ Because you will not be able to see where you are going, at midday you will grope around with your hands, like people do in the darkness. You will not prosper in anything that you do. You will continually be oppressed and robbed, and there will not be anyone to help you.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 28:30**ULT**

³⁰ You will become engaged to a woman, but another man will seize her and rape her. You will build a house but not live in it; you will plant a vineyard but not enjoy its fruit.

UST

³⁰ Some of you men will be engaged to marry a young woman, but someone else will forcibly sleep with her. You will build houses, but you will never live in them. You will plant grapevines, but you will not eat the grapes; someone else will eat them.

What will happen if an Israelite is engaged to a woman, or builds a house or vineyard?

He will not sleep with the woman, or live in the house, or enjoy the fruit of the vineyard.

Deuteronomy 28:31**ULT**

³¹ Your ox {will be} slain before your eyes, but you will not eat its meat; your donkey will be forcibly taken away from before you and will not be restored to you. Your sheep {will be} given to your enemies, and you will have no one to aid you.

UST

³¹ Your enemies will butcher your cattle while you watch them, and you will not get any of the meat to eat. They will drag away your donkeys while you watch them do it, and they will not give them back to you. They will take away your sheep; and there will not be anyone to help you rescue them.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 28:32**ULT**

³² Your sons and your daughters {will be} given to other peoples; your eyes will look for them the entire day, but will fail with longing for them. There will be no strength in your hand.

UST

³² While you watch, your sons and daughters will be given to foreigners to become their slaves. Every day you will watch for your children to return, but you will watch in vain.

What will happen to the sons and daughters of the Israelites?

Their sons and daughters will be given to other peoples, and they will look for them but not find them.

Deuteronomy 28:33**ULT**

³³ The harvest of your land and of all your labors—a nation that you do not know will eat it up; you will always be oppressed and crushed,

UST

³³ People from a foreign nation will take all the crops that you worked hard to produce, and they will constantly treat you harshly and cruelly.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 28:34**ULT**

³⁴ so that you will become insane by what you have to see happen.

UST

³⁴ The result will be that all these terrible things that you see will cause you to become insane.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 28:35**ULT**

³⁵ Yahweh will attack you in the knees and legs with severe boils from which you cannot be cured, from the bottom of your feet to the top of your head.

UST

³⁵ Yahweh will cause your legs to be covered with painful boils that cannot be healed, and you will have boils from the bottom of your feet to the top of your head.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 28:36**ULT**

³⁶ Yahweh will take you and the king whom you will place over yourself to a nation that you have not known, neither you nor your ancestors; there you will worship other gods of wood and stone.

UST

³⁶ Yahweh will cause your king and the rest of you to be taken to another country, to a place in which you and your ancestors have never lived, and there you will worship and serve gods that are made of wood or stone.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 28:37**ULT**

³⁷ You will become a source of horror, a proverb, and a byword, among all the peoples where Yahweh will lead you away.

UST

³⁷ When the people groups in nearby countries see what has happened to you, they will be shocked; they will taunt you and make fun of you in every place where Yahweh drives you.

What will the people of Israel become among all the peoples?

They will become a source of horror, a proverb, and a byword, among all the peoples.

Deuteronomy 28:38**ULT**

³⁸ You will take much seed out into the field, but will gather little seed in, for the locusts will consume it.

UST

³⁸ You will plant plenty of seeds in your fields, but you will reap only a small harvest, because locusts will eat the crops.

How will the disobedience of the people of Israel affect the crops which they plant?

(vv38-39)

They will plant much seed, and vineyards, but they will not enjoy the fruit of their labors because the worms and the locusts will take over.

Deuteronomy 28:39**ULT**

³⁹ You will plant vineyards and cultivate {them}, but you will neither drink any {of} the wine, nor even gather in the {grapes}, for worms will eat them.

UST

³⁹ You will plant grapevines and take care of them, but you will not pick any grapes to make wine, because worms will eat the vines.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 28:40**ULT**

⁴⁰ You will have olive trees within all your territory, but you will not rub any of the oil on {yourself}, for your olive trees will drop their fruit.

UST

⁴⁰ Olive trees will grow everywhere in your land, but you will not get any olive oil to rub on your skin because the olives will drop on the ground before they are ripe.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 28:41**ULT**

⁴¹ You will have sons and daughters, but they will not remain yours, for they will go into captivity.

UST

⁴¹ You will have sons and daughters, but they will not stay with you, because they will be captured and taken away.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 28:42**ULT**

⁴² All your trees and the fruit of your ground—the locusts will take them over.

UST

⁴² Swarms of locusts will eat your crops and the leaves of all your trees.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 28:43**ULT**

⁴³ The foreigner who {is} among you will rise up above you higher and higher; you yourself will come down lower and lower.

UST

⁴³ Foreigners who live in your land will become more and more powerful, and you will become less and less powerful.

How will the foreigner be more important than the people of Israel? (vv43-44)

The foreigner will lend to them and become the head while the people of Israel will not be able to lend and become the tail.

Deuteronomy 28:44**ULT**

⁴⁴ He will lend to you, but you will not lend to him; he will be the head, and you will be the tail.

UST

⁴⁴ They will have money to lend to you, but you will not have any money to lend to them. They will be superior to you, and you will be inferior to them.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 28:45**ULT**

⁴⁵ All these curses will come on you and will pursue and overtake you until you are destroyed. This will happen because you did not listen to the voice of Yahweh your God, so as to keep his commandments and his regulations that he commanded you.

UST

⁴⁵ All these disasters will happen to you and continue to happen to you until you are destroyed, if you do not do what Yahweh your God told you to do, and do not obey all the rules and regulations that he gave to you.

What will happen because the people of Israel did not listen to the voice of Yahweh and keep his commandments? (vv45-46)

All the curses will come on them and overtake them until they are destroyed.

Deuteronomy 28:46**ULT**

⁴⁶ These curses will be on you as signs and wonders, and on your descendants forever.

UST

⁴⁶ These disasters will solemnly warn you and your descendants forever what happens to groups who disobey Yahweh.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 28:47**ULT**

⁴⁷ Because you did not worship Yahweh your God with joyfulness and gladness of heart when you were in prosperity,

UST

⁴⁷ Because Yahweh blessed you abundantly in many ways, you should have served him very joyfully, but you did not do that.

Why will the people of Israel serve the enemies of Yahweh? (vv47-48)

They will serve the enemies of Yahweh because they did not worship Yahweh with joyfulness and gladness of heart when they were in prosperity.

Deuteronomy 28:48**ULT**

⁴⁸ therefore will you serve the enemies that Yahweh will send against you; you will serve them in hunger, in thirst, in nakedness, and in poverty. He will put a yoke of iron on your neck until he destroys you.

UST

⁴⁸ Therefore, you will work for the enemies whom Yahweh will send to attack you. You will be hungry and thirsty; you will not have clothes to wear; and you will lack everything else that you need. And Yahweh will cause you to become slaves and work hard until he destroys you.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 28:49**ULT**

⁴⁹ Yahweh will bring a nation against you from far away, from the ends of the earth, like an eagle flies to its victim, a nation whose language you do not understand;

UST

⁴⁹ Yahweh will bring against you an army from very far away, soldiers who speak a language that you do not understand. They will swoop down on you quickly like an eagle.

What did Moses prophesy about the people of Israel? (vv49-51)

Yahweh would bring a nation from far away to attack them with no respect for the aged or young, as well as taking all the food from them and their cattle.

Deuteronomy 28:50**ULT**

⁵⁰ a nation with a fierce face that does not respect the aged and does not show favor to the young.

UST

⁵⁰ They will be fierce looking. They will not act mercifully toward anyone, not even young children and old people.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 28:51**ULT**

⁵¹ They will eat the young of your cattle and the fruit of your land until you are destroyed. They will leave for you no grain, new wine, or oil, no young of your cattle or of your flock, until they have caused you to perish.

UST

⁵¹ They will kill and eat your livestock, and they will eat your crops, and you will starve. They will not leave for you any grain or wine or olive oil or cattle or sheep; and you will all die from hunger.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 28:52**ULT**

⁵² They will besiege you in all your city gates, until your high and fortified walls come down everywhere in your land, walls in which you had trusted. They will besiege you within all your city gates throughout all the land that Yahweh your God had given you.

UST

⁵² Your enemies will surround your towns throughout the land that Yahweh your God is about to give to you, and they will break down the high and strong walls around your towns, walls which you trusted would protect you.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 28:53**ULT**

⁵³ You will eat the fruit of your own body, the flesh of your sons and of your daughters, whom Yahweh your God gave you, in the siege and in the distress with which your enemies will put upon you.

UST

⁵³ When your enemies are surrounding your towns, you will be extremely hungry, with the result that you will eat the flesh of your own sons and daughters that Yahweh your God has given to you.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 28:54**ULT**

⁵⁴ The man who is tender and very delicate among you—he will be envious of his brother and his own dear wife, and of whatever children he has left.

UST

⁵⁴⁻⁵⁵ When your enemies have surrounded your towns, even the most gentle and sensitive men among you will want food very desperately, with the result that they will kill their own children and eat their flesh, because they will not have anything else to eat. They will not even share any of it with their brothers or wives whom they love very much or with any of their other children who are still alive.

During the siege of the city what will the man who is tender and delicate among them not give to his brother or his own dear wife or whatever children he has left? (vv54-55)

He will not give to any of them the flesh of his own children that he is going to eat.

Deuteronomy 28:55**ULT**

⁵⁵ So he will not give to any of them the flesh of his own children that he is going to eat, because he will have nothing left for himself in the siege and in the distress which your enemy will put upon you within all your city gates.

UST

⁵⁴⁻⁵⁵ When your enemies have surrounded your towns, even the most gentle and sensitive men among you will want food very desperately, with the result that they will kill their own children and eat their flesh, because they will not have anything else to eat. They will not even share any of it with their brothers or wives whom they love very much or with any of their other children who are still alive.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 28:56**ULT**

⁵⁶ The tender and delicate woman among you, who would not venture to put the bottom of her foot on the ground for delicateness and tenderness—she will be envious of her own dear husband, of her son, and of her daughter,

UST

⁵⁶⁻⁵⁷ Even the most gentle and kind women among you, who are very rich with the result that they have never been forced to walk anywhere, will do the same thing. When your enemies have surrounded your towns, those women will be extremely hungry, with the result that after they give birth to a child, they will secretly kill the baby and eat its flesh and also eat the afterbirth. And they will not share any of it with their husbands whom they love very much or with any of their other children.

During the siege of the city what will a woman do with her own newborn and the children whom she will bear? (vv56-57)

During the siege of the city a woman will eat her own newborn and the children whom she will bear.

Deuteronomy 28:57**ULT**

⁵⁷ and of her own newborn that comes out from between her legs, and of the children whom she will bear. She will eat them in private for lack of anything else, during the siege and in the distress which your enemy will put upon you within your city gates.

UST

⁵⁶⁻⁵⁷ Even the most gentle and kind women among you, who are very rich with the result that they have never been forced to walk anywhere, will do the same thing. When your enemies have surrounded your towns, those women will be extremely hungry, with the result that after they give birth to a child, they will secretly kill the baby and eat its flesh and also eat the afterbirth. And they will not share any of it with their husbands whom they love very much or with any of their other children.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 28:58**ULT**

⁵⁸ If you do not keep all the words of this law that are written in this book, so as to honor this glorious and fearful name, Yahweh your God,

UST

⁵⁸ If you do not faithfully obey all of the laws that I am writing, and if you do not have the utmost respect for Yahweh our glorious God,

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 28:59**ULT**

⁵⁹ then Yahweh will make your plagues terrible, and those of your descendants; they will be great plagues, of long duration, and severe diseases, of long duration.

UST

⁵⁹ he will punish you by sending on you and on your descendants great afflictions and plagues which will last for many years.

What will happen if the people of Israel do not honor the name of Yahweh by keeping the words in the book of the law?

They will experience terrible plagues and severe diseases.

Deuteronomy 28:60**ULT**

⁶⁰ He will bring on you again all the diseases of Egypt that you were afraid of; they will cling to you.

UST

⁶⁰ He will bring on you the plagues that he sent on the people of Egypt, and you will never be healed.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 28:61**ULT**

⁶¹ Also every sickness and plague that {is} not written in the book of this law, those also Yahweh will bring on you until you are destroyed.

UST

⁶¹ He will also send on you many other sicknesses and diseases that I have not talked about in these laws, until you all will die.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 28:62**ULT**

⁶² You will be left few in number, although you were like the stars of the heavens in number, because you did not listen to the voice of Yahweh your God.

UST

⁶² You became as numerous as the stars in the sky, but only a few of you will remain alive, if you do not obey Yahweh your God.

How many of the few people of Israel will be left after Yahweh punishes them?

They will be few in number and will be scattered from one end of the earth to the other end.

Deuteronomy 28:63**ULT**

⁶³ As Yahweh once rejoiced over you in doing you good, and in multiplying you, so he will rejoice over you in making you perish and in destroying you. You will be plucked off the land that you are going into to possess.

UST

⁶³ Yahweh was very happy to do good things for you and to cause you to become very numerous, but now he will be happy to ruin you and get rid of you. Those of you who do not die from these plagues will be snatched away from the land that you will soon be entering to possess.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 28:64**ULT**

⁶⁴ Yahweh will scatter you among all peoples from the one end of the earth to the other end of the earth; there you will worship other gods that you have not known, neither you nor your ancestors, gods of wood and stone.

UST

⁶⁴ Yahweh will scatter you among many people groups, all over the earth, and in those places you will worship other gods that are made of wood or stone, gods which you and your ancestors have never known.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 28:65**ULT**

⁶⁵ Among these nations will you find no ease, and there will be no rest for the bottoms of your feet; instead, Yahweh will give you there a trembling heart, failing eyes, and a soul that mourns.

UST

⁶⁵ In those areas you will not have any peace. You will feel hopeless and be discouraged.

Will the people of Israel find rest when they are scattered among the nations?

They will find no ease, and there will be no rest for the bottoms of their feet.

Deuteronomy 28:66**ULT**

⁶⁶ Your life will hang in doubt before you; you will fear every night and day and will have no certainty at all in your life.

UST

⁶⁶ You will always be afraid that your enemies will kill you. You will be very fearful, all day and all night.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 28:67**ULT**

⁶⁷ In the morning you will say, 'I wish {it were} evening!' and in the evening you will say, 'I wish it were morning!' because of the fear in your hearts and the things your eyes will have to see.

UST

⁶⁷ Because you will be very fearful and because you will very distressed because of the terrible things that you see, each morning you will say 'I wish it were evening already!' and each evening you will say 'I wish it were morning already!'

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 28:68**ULT**

⁶⁸ Yahweh will bring you into Egypt again by ships, by the route about which I had said to you, 'You will not see Egypt again.' There you will offer yourselves for sale to your enemies as male and female slaves, but no one will purchase {you}."

UST

⁶⁸ Yahweh will send some of you back to Egypt in ships, even though he promised that you would never be forced to go there again. There in Egypt you will try to sell yourselves to become slaves of your enemies in order to have food to eat, but no one will buy you."

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 29

Deuteronomy 29:1

ULT

¹ These {are} the words that Yahweh commanded Moses to tell the people of Israel in the land of Moab, words that were added to the covenant that he had made with them at Horeb.

UST

¹ These are the covenantal commands of Yahweh that the Israelites were required to obey. When they were in the region of Moab on the east side of the Jordan River, Moses commanded them to keep these regulations. These regulations became part of the covenant that Yahweh had made with them at Mount Sinai.

With whom did Yahweh make a covenant?

Yahweh made a covenant with Israel in the land of Moab.

What previous covenant had Yahweh made with the people of Israel?

Yahweh previously made a covenant with Israel at Horeb.

Deuteronomy 29:2

ULT

² Moses called to all Israel and said to them, "You have seen everything that Yahweh did before your eyes in the land of Egypt to Pharaoh, to all his servants, and to all his land—

UST

² Moses summoned all the Israelite people and said to them, "You saw for yourselves what Yahweh did to the king of Egypt and to his officials and to his entire country.

Of what did Moses remind all the people of Israel?

Moses reminded all the people of Israel of everything that Yahweh had done before their eyes in the land of Egypt to Pharaoh, to all his servants, and to all his land.

Deuteronomy 29:3

ULT

³ the great sufferings that your eyes saw, the signs, and those great wonders.

UST

³ You saw all the plagues that Yahweh sent on them, and all the various miracles that he performed.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 29:4**ULT**

⁴ But until today Yahweh has not given you a heart to know, eyes to see, or ears to hear.

UST

⁴ But to this day, Yahweh has not enabled you to understand the meaning of all that you have seen and heard.

Why did Moses say that the people of Israel needed to be reminded of the great sufferings that their eyes had seen, the signs and those great wonders?

Moses said that until today Yahweh had not given them a heart to know, eyes to see, or ears to hear about those things.

Deuteronomy 29:5**ULT**

⁵ I have led you for forty years in the wilderness; your clothes did not wear out on you, and your sandals did not wear out on your feet.

UST

⁵ For forty years Yahweh has led you while you traveled through the desert. During that time, your clothes and your sandals have not worn out.

Why did Yahweh lead Israel for forty years in the wilderness where their clothes and sandals did wear out and they did not eat any bread or drink any wine or alcoholic drinks? (vv5-6)

He did those things so that they might know that he is Yahweh their God.

Deuteronomy 29:6**ULT**

⁶ You did not eat any bread, and you did not drink any wine or other alcoholic drinks, so that you might know that I {am} Yahweh your God.

UST

⁶ You did not have bread to eat or wine or other fermented drinks to drink, but Yahweh took care of you, in order that you would know that he is your God.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 29:7**ULT**

⁷ When you came to this place, Sihon, the king of Heshbon, and Og, the king of Bashan, came out against us to fight, and we struck them down.

UST

⁷ And when we came to this place, Sihon, the king who ruled in the city of Heshbon, and Og, the king who ruled the region of Bashan, came out with their armies to attack us, but we defeated them.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 29:8**ULT**

⁸ We took their land and gave it as an inheritance to the Reubenites, to the Gadites, and to the half tribe of Manasseh.

UST

⁸ We took their land and divided it among the tribes of Reuben and Gad, and half of the tribe of Manasseh.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 29:9**ULT**

⁹ Therefore keep the words of this covenant and do them, so that you may prosper in everything that you do.

UST

⁹ So obey faithfully all of this covenant, in order that you will prosper in everything that you do.

Why did Israel need to do in order to prosper in everything?

They needed to keep the words of this covenant and do them and so that they might prosper in everything that they did.

Deuteronomy 29:10**ULT**

¹⁰ You stand today, all of you, before Yahweh your God; your chiefs, your tribes, your elders, and your officers—all the men of Israel,

UST

¹⁰ Today all of us are standing in the presence of Yahweh our God—I, the leaders of all your tribes, your elders, your officials, all you Israelite men,

Before whom were all of the Israelites standing? (vv10-11)

All of the Israelites were standing before Yahweh their God.

Deuteronomy 29:11**ULT**

¹¹ your little ones, your wives, and the foreigner who {is} among you in your camp, from him who cuts your wood to him who draws your water.

UST

¹¹ your wives, your children, and the foreigners who live among us and cut wood for us and carry water for us.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 29:12**ULT**

¹² You are here in order to enter into the covenant of Yahweh your God and into the oath that Yahweh your God is making with you today,

UST

¹² You are all here today to agree to accept this covenant with Yahweh, and to bind yourselves to it.

Why were the Israelites standing before Yahweh their God?

They were standing before Yahweh in order to enter into the covenant of Yahweh and into the oath that Yahweh was making with them on that day.

Deuteronomy 29:13**ULT**

¹³ so that he may make you today into a people for himself, and {that} he may be God for you, as he spoke to you, and as he swore to your ancestors, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob.

UST

¹³ He is making this agreement with you in order to make sure that you are his people, and that he is your God. This is what he promised to do for you, and what he solemnly promised to your ancestors Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, that he would do.

What did Yahweh want to do for the people of Israel through this covenant?

He wanted to make the people of Israel into a people for himself.

Deuteronomy 29:14**ULT**

¹⁴ For it is not only with you that I am making this covenant and this oath—

UST

¹⁴ This covenant is not only with you.

What people were included in the covenant and oath that Yahweh was making with Israel that day in Moab? (vv14-15)

Everyone standing that day in Moab and also those who were not there with them were included in the covenant and oath that Yahweh was making with Israel.

Deuteronomy 29:15**ULT**

¹⁵ with everyone standing here with us today before Yahweh our God—but also with those who are not here with us today.

UST

¹⁵ God is making this agreement with us who are here today and also with our descendants who are not yet born.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 29:16**ULT**

¹⁶ You know how we lived in the land of Egypt, and how we came through the midst of the nations through which you passed.

UST

¹⁶ You remember the things that our ancestors suffered in Egypt, and how they traveled through the land that belonged to other nations after they came out of Egypt.

About what were the people of Israel being reminded again?

They were being reminded how they had lived in the land of Egypt and how they had come through the midst of the nations through which they had passed.

Deuteronomy 29:17**ULT**

¹⁷ You have seen their disgusting idols made of wood and stone, silver and gold, that {were} among them.

UST

¹⁷ In those countries they saw those disgusting idols made of wood and stone and decorated with silver and gold.

Why were the people being reminded of the disgusting things they had seen when they left Egypt? (vv17-18)

They were being reminded of the disgusting things they had seen so that there would not be any among them whose heart would turn away from Yahweh, worship the gods of those nations and so that there would not be any root producing gall and wormwood among them.

Deuteronomy 29:18**ULT**

¹⁸ Make sure there is not among you any man, woman, clan, or tribe whose heart is turning away today from Yahweh our God, so as to go worship the gods of those nations. Make sure there is not among you any root that produces gall and wormwood.

UST

¹⁸ So be sure that no man or woman or family or tribe that is here today turns away from Yahweh our God, to worship any of the gods of those people groups. If you do that, you will bring disaster on yourselves.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 29:19**ULT**

¹⁹ When that person hears the words of this curse, he will bless himself in his heart and say, 'I will have peace, though I walk in the stubbornness of my heart.' This would destroy the wet together with the dry.

UST

¹⁹ Be sure that no one here today who hears the words of this covenant says to himself, 'Everything will go well with me, even if I stubbornly do what I want to.' If you do that, the result will be that Yahweh will eventually destroy all of you, both good people and evil people.

What should the person who hears the words of the curse not say in his heart?

The person who hears the words of the curse should not say that he will have peace though he walks in the stubbornness of his heart.

Deuteronomy 29:20**ULT**

²⁰ Yahweh will not pardon him, but instead, the anger of Yahweh and his jealousy will smolder against that man, and all the curses that are written in this book will come on him, and Yahweh will blot out his name from under heaven.

UST

²⁰ Yahweh will not forgive anyone who is stubborn like that. Instead, he will be extremely angry with that person, and all the curses that I have told you about will happen to that person, until Yahweh destroys that person and his family forever.

What would happen to the man who says that he will have peace though he walks in the stubbornness of his heart?

Yahweh will not pardon him, Yahweh's anger and jealousy will smolder against him, all the curses written in the book will come on him and Yahweh will blot out his name from under heaven.

Deuteronomy 29:21**ULT**

²¹ Yahweh will set him apart for disaster out of all the tribes of Israel, in keeping with all the curses of the covenant that are written in this book of the law.

UST

²¹ From all the tribes of Israel, Yahweh will choose that individual to suffer all the disasters that I have listed in the covenant—all the bad things that will happen to anyone whom Yahweh curses for disobeying the laws that I have written in this scroll.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 29:22**ULT**

²² The generation to come, your children who will rise up after you, and the foreigner who comes from a distant land, will speak when they see the plagues on this land and the diseases with which Yahweh has made it sick—

UST

²² In future years, your descendants and people from other countries will see the disasters and the illnesses that Yahweh has caused to happen to you.

What will the generation to come ask when they see the plagues on this land and the diseases with which Yahweh has made it sick?

They will ask why Yahweh did this to this land and what does the heat of this great anger mean.

Deuteronomy 29:23**ULT**

²³ and when they see that the whole land has become sulfur and burning salt, where nothing {is} sown or bears fruit, where no vegetation grows, like the overthrow of Sodom and Gomorrah, Admah and Zeboyim, that Yahweh destroyed in his anger and wrath—

UST

²³ They will see that all your land has been ruined by burning sulfur and salt. Nothing will have been planted. Not even weeds will be there. Your land will resemble the cities of Sodom and Gomorrah, and the cities of Admah and Zeboyim, which Yahweh destroyed when he was very angry with those people.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 29:24**ULT**

²⁴ they will say together with all the other nations, 'Why has Yahweh done this to this land? What {does} the heat of this great anger {mean}?'

UST

²⁴ And the people from those other nations will ask, 'Why did Yahweh do this to this land? Why was he so angry with the people who lived here?'

What will the generation to come ask when they see the plagues on this land and the diseases with which Yahweh has made it sick?

They will ask why Yahweh did this to this land and what does the heat of this great anger mean.

Deuteronomy 29:25**ULT**

²⁵ Then {people} will say, 'It is because they abandoned the covenant of Yahweh, the God of their ancestors, that he made with them when he brought them out of the land of Egypt,

UST

²⁵ Then other people will reply, 'It is because they refused to obey the covenant that they had made with Yahweh, the God whom their ancestors worshiped, when he brought them out of Egypt.

How will people reply when the generation to come ask why Yahweh did this to the land? (vv25-26)

The people will say that it is because they abandoned the covenant of Yahweh and because they went and worshiped other gods and bowed down to them, gods that they had not known and that he had not given to them.

Deuteronomy 29:26**ULT**

²⁶ and because they went and served other gods and bowed down to them, gods that they had not known and that he had not given to them.

UST

²⁶ Instead, they wroshipped other gods that they had never worshiped before, gods that Yahweh had not told them to worship.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 29:27**ULT**

²⁷ Therefore the anger of Yahweh has been kindled against this land, so as to bring on it all the curses that are written in this book.

UST

²⁷ So Yahweh became very angry with the people of this land, and he has caused to happen to them all the disasters that their leader warned them about.

What will the people say was kindled against this land?

The people will say that the anger of Yahweh was kindled against this land.

Deuteronomy 29:28**ULT**

²⁸ Yahweh has uprooted them from their land in anger, in wrath, and in great fury, and has thrown them into another land, as today.'

UST

²⁸ Yahweh became extremely angry with them and took them out of their land, and threw them into another land, and they are still there.'

What will the people say that Yahweh will do with those who he has uprooted from their land in anger?

The people will say that Yahweh, in anger, wrath and great fury has thrown them into another land.

Deuteronomy 29:29**ULT**

²⁹ The secret matters belong alone to Yahweh our God; but the {things that are} revealed {belong} forever to us and to our descendants, so that {we} may do all the words of this law.

UST

²⁹ There are some things that Yahweh our God has kept secret, but he has revealed his law to us, and he expects us and our descendants to obey it forever.

To whom do the secret matters belong?

The secret matters belong to Yahweh alone.

To whom do things that are revealed belong?

the things that are revealed belong forever to the people of Israel and to their descendants so that they may do all the words of the law.

Deuteronomy 30

Deuteronomy 30:1

ULT

¹ When it comes to pass that all these things have come on you—the blessings and the curses that I have set before you—and when you bring them back to your mind among all the other nations where Yahweh your God has driven you,

UST

¹ I have now told you about the ways that Yahweh our God will bless you if you obey him and the ways that he will curse you if you disobey him. But if you choose not to obey his laws, some day you will be living in the countries to which he will have scattered you, and you will remember what I told you.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 30:2

ULT

² and when you return to Yahweh your God and listen to his voice, following all that I am commanding you today—you and your children—with all your heart and with all your soul,

UST

² Then, if you and your children begin to worship Yahweh our God and faithfully obey all that I have today commanded you to do,

What must the people of Israel do so that Yahweh will reverse their captivity and have compassion on them and return and gather them from all the peoples where Yahweh had scattered them? (vv2-3)

They must return to Yahweh and obey his voice, follow all that he has commanded them with all their heart and with all their soul.

Deuteronomy 30:3

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³ then Yahweh your God will reverse your captivity and have compassion on you, and he will return and gather you from all the peoples where Yahweh your God has scattered you.

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³ he will again act mercifully toward you. He will bring you back from the nations to which he scattered you, and he will cause you to be prosperous again.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 30:4**ULT**

⁴ If {any} of your exiled people are in the farthest {places} under the heavens, from there Yahweh your God will gather you, and from there he will bring you.

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⁴ Even if you have been scattered to the most distant places on the earth, Yahweh our God will gather you from there and bring you back to your land.

From where will Yahweh gather Israel's exiled people?

Yahweh will gather Israel's exiled people from the farthest places under the heavens.

Deuteronomy 30:5**ULT**

⁵ Yahweh your God will bring you into the land that your forefathers possessed, and you will possess it again; he will do you good and will multiply you more than he did your forefathers.

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⁵ He will enable you to possess again the land where your ancestors lived. And he will cause you to be more prosperous and more numerous than you are now.

To what place will Yahweh bring the exiled Israelites?

Yahweh will bring them into the land that their forefathers possessed.

Deuteronomy 30:6**ULT**

⁶ Yahweh your God will circumcise your heart and the heart of your descendants, so you will love Yahweh your God with all your heart and with all your soul, so that you may live.

UST

⁶ Yahweh our God will change your inner beings, with the result that you will love him with all that you desire and with all that you feel. And then you will continue to live in that land.

Why will Yahweh circumcise the hearts of the Israelites and their descendants?

Yahweh will circumcise their hearts so that they will love Yahweh their God with all their heart and with all of their soul and so that they could live.

Deuteronomy 30:7**ULT**

⁷ Yahweh your God will put all these curses on your enemies and on those who hate you, those who persecuted you.

UST

⁷ Yahweh our God will send all the disasters that I have told you about on your enemies and on those who oppressed you.

On whom will Yahweh put the curses that had been on the people of Israel?

Yahweh will put the curses on their enemies and on those who hate the people of Israel and have persecuted them.

Deuteronomy 30:8**ULT**

⁸ You will return and obey the voice of Yahweh, and you will do all his commandments that I am commanding you today.

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⁸ As you did before, you will do what Yahweh wants you to do, and you will obey all the commands that I have given to you today.

What will happen when the people of Israel return to Yahweh?

They will obey the voice of Yahweh and will do all his commandments that Moses commanded them.

Deuteronomy 30:9**ULT**

⁹ Yahweh your God will make you abundant in all the work of your hand, in the fruit of your body, in the fruit of your cattle, and in the fruit of your ground, for prosperity; for Yahweh will again rejoice over you for prosperity, as he rejoiced over your fathers.

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⁹ Yahweh our God will cause you to be very prosperous in all that you do. You will have many children and many cattle, and you will produce abundant crops. He will again be happy to enable you to prosper, just like he was happy to enable your ancestors to prosper.

What will Yahweh do when he makes the people of Israel abundant in all the work of their hand, in the fruit of their body, in the fruit of their cattle and in the fruit of their ground, for prosperity?

Yahweh will rejoice over the people of Israel as he rejoiced over their fathers.

Deuteronomy 30:10**ULT**

¹⁰ He will do this if you will obey the voice of Yahweh your God, so as to keep his commandments and regulations that are written in this book of the law, if you turn to Yahweh your God with all your heart and all your soul.

UST

¹⁰ But he will do those things only if you do what he has told you to do, and only if you obey all his rules and regulations that I have written about in this book, and only if you turn to Yahweh with all that you desire and with all that you feel.

What do the people of Israel need to do so that Yahweh will rejoice over them?

The people of Israel need to obey the voice of Yahweh their God, keep his commandments and statutes that were written in the book of the law and turn to Yahweh with all their heart and all their soul.

Deuteronomy 30:11**ULT**

¹¹ For this commandment that I am commanding you today is not {too} hard for you, neither is it too far for you to reach.

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¹¹ The commands that I am giving to you today are not very difficult for you to obey, and they are not difficult to know.

What does Moses say is not too hard for the people or too far for them to reach?

Moses says that the commandment that he is commanding to the people of Israel is not too hard for them or too far for them to reach.

Deuteronomy 30:12**ULT**

¹² It {is} not in heaven, so that you should have to say, 'Who will go up for us to heaven and bring it down to us and make us able to hear it, so that we may do it?'

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¹² They are not hidden in heaven. You do not need to say, 'Who can go up to heaven for us to bring them down here to us so we can learn them?'

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 30:13**ULT**

¹³ Neither {is} it beyond the sea, so that you should have to say, 'Who will go over the sea for us and bring it to us and make us to hear it, so that we may do it?'

UST

¹³ And they are not on the other side of the sea. You do not need to say, 'Who will cross the sea for us and bring them back to us, so we can learn them?'

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 30:14**ULT**

¹⁴ But the word is very near to you, in your mouth and your heart, so that you may do it.

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¹⁴ No, his commands are here with you. You know them, and you can say them again and again. So you can easily obey them.

Where is the word located?

The word is very near to you, in your mouth and your heart, so that you may do it.

Deuteronomy 30:15**ULT**

¹⁵ See, today I have placed before you life and good, death and evil.

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¹⁵ So listen! Today I am allowing you to choose between doing what is evil and doing what is good, between what will enable you to live for a long time and what will cause you to die while you are still young.

What has Moses placed before the people of Israel?

Moses has placed life and good, death and evil before the people of Israel.

Deuteronomy 30:16**ULT**

¹⁶ If you obey the decrees of Yahweh your God, in which I am commanding you today to love Yahweh your God, to walk in his ways, and to keep his commandments, his regulations, and his statutes, you will live and multiply, and Yahweh your God will bless you in the land that you are entering to possess.

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¹⁶ I say again, if you obey the decrees of Yahweh our God that I am giving to you today, and if you love him and conduct your lives as he wants you to do, and if you obey all his rules and regulations, you will prosper and become very numerous, and Yahweh our God will bless you in the land that you are about to enter and possess.

What will happen if the people of Israel obey the decrees of Yahweh their God which Moses commanded them?

They will live and multiply and Yahweh will bless them in the land where they were going.

Deuteronomy 30:17**ULT**

¹⁷ But if your heart turns away, and you do not listen but instead are drawn away and bow down to other gods and worship them,

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¹⁷ But if you stop worshiping Yahweh, and if you refuse to obey what he says, and if you allow others to persuade you to worship other gods,

What will happen to the people if their heart turns away and they do not listen, but instead their heart is drawn away, and if it bows down to other gods and worships them? (vv17-18)

They will surely perish and they will not prolong their days in the land.

Deuteronomy 30:18**ULT**

¹⁸ then I announce to you today that you will surely perish; you will not prolong {your} days in the land that you are passing over the Jordan to go into and possess.

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¹⁸ I am warning you today that you will soon die. Your people will not live for very long in the land that you are about to cross the Jordan River to enter and possess.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 30:19**ULT**

¹⁹ I call heaven and earth to witness against you today {that} I have set before you life and death, the blessings and the curses; therefore choose life so that you may live, you and your descendants.

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¹⁹ I am requesting everyone in heaven and on the earth to testify to you, that today I am allowing you to choose whether you want to live for a long time or to soon die, whether you want Yahweh to bless you or to curse you. So choose to live.

What is Moses asking the people of Israel to choose as he calls heaven and earth to witness?

Moses is asking the people to choose life so that they and their descendants could live.

Deuteronomy 30:20**ULT**

²⁰ Do this so as to love Yahweh your God, to obey his voice, and to cling to him. For he {is} your life and the length of your days; do this so that you may live in the land that Yahweh swore to your ancestors, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, to give them."

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²⁰ Decide to love Yahweh our God and to obey him. If you do that, you and your descendants will live for a long time in the land that Yahweh solemnly promised to your ancestors Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, that he would give to them."

Why should the people choose life?

They should choose life so as to love Yahweh their God, to obey his voice and to cling to him because he is their life and the length of their days.

Deuteronomy 31

Deuteronomy 31:1

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¹ Moses went and spoke these words to all Israel.

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¹ When Moses finished saying all that to the Israelite people,

What did Moses tell all Israel about his advancing age? (vv1-2)

He told them that he was now one hundred twenty years old and that he could no more go out and come in.

Deuteronomy 31:2

ULT

² He said to them, "I am now one hundred twenty years old; I can no more go out and come in; Yahweh has said to me, 'You will not go over this Jordan.'

UST

² "I am 120 years old. I am no longer able to go everywhere that you need to go, so I cannot be your leader any longer. Furthermore, Yahweh has told me that I will not cross the Jordan River.

What did Yahweh tell Moses about going over the Jordan? (vv2-3)

He told Moses that he would not be going over Jordan but God would go over Jordan ahead of Moses and would destroy the nations from before Israel.

Deuteronomy 31:3

ULT

³ Yahweh your God, he will go over before you; he will destroy these nations from before you, and you will dispossess them. Joshua, he will go over before you, as Yahweh has spoken.

UST

³ But Yahweh our God will go ahead of you. He will enable you to destroy the nations that are living there, in order that you can occupy their land. Joshua will be your leader, which is what Yahweh has already told me.

Who did Yahweh say would go over Jordan instead of Moses?

Yahweh told Moses that Joshua would go over the Jordan before Israel.

Deuteronomy 31:4**ULT**

⁴ Yahweh will do to them as he did to Sihon and to Og, the kings of the Amorites, and to their land, which he destroyed.

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⁴ Yahweh will do to those nations what he did to Sihon and Og, the two kings of the Amor people group when he destroyed their armies and their people groups.

What had Yahweh done to Sihon and to Og, the kings of the Amorites?

Yahweh had destroyed them and their land.

Deuteronomy 31:5**ULT**

⁵ Yahweh will give you victory over them when you meet them in battle, and you will do to them all that I commanded you.

UST

⁵ Yahweh will enable you to conquer those people groups, but you must kill all of those people, which is what I have commanded you to do.

What does Yahweh say he will do for Israel when they meet the nations in battle?

Yahweh says that he will give Israel victory over them when Israel meets them in battle.

Deuteronomy 31:6**ULT**

⁶ Be strong and of good courage, fear not, and do not be afraid of them; for Yahweh your God, he it is who goes with you; he will not fail you nor forsake you."

UST

⁶ Be brave and confident. Do not be afraid of those people. Do not forget that it is Yahweh our God who will go with you. He will always help you and never abandon you."

What instruction does Moses give to the Israelites?

Moses tells them to be strong, of good courage, not to fear and not to be afraid of the nations because Yahweh will go with them and will not fail or forsake them.

Deuteronomy 31:7**ULT**

⁷ Moses called to Joshua and said to him in the sight of all Israel, "Be strong and of good courage, for you will go with this people into the land that Yahweh has sworn to their ancestors to give them; you will cause them to inherit it.

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⁷ Then Moses called Joshua to his side and said to him, "Be brave and confident. You are the one who will lead these people into the land that Yahweh promised to our ancestors that he would give to them, and you will enable them to occupy it.

What did Moses say to Joshua in the sight of all Israel?

Moses told Joshua to be strong and of good courage for Joshua would go with the people of Israel into the land that Yahweh swore to their ancestors to give to them and Yahweh will cause them to inherit the land.

Deuteronomy 31:8**ULT**

⁸ Yahweh, he it is who goes before you; he will be with you; he will not fail you nor abandon you; do not be afraid, do not be discouraged."

UST

⁸ It is Yahweh who will go ahead of you. He will be with you. He will always help you. He will never abandon you. So do not be afraid or dismayed."

What did Moses tell Joshua that Yahweh would do for him?

Moses told Joshua that Yahweh would go before Joshua, be with him and Yahweh would not fail or abandon Joshua so Joshua should not be afraid or discouraged.

Deuteronomy 31:9**ULT**

⁹ Moses wrote this law and gave it out to the priests, the sons of Levi, who carried the ark of the covenant of Yahweh; he also gave copies of it to all the elders of Israel.

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⁹ Moses wrote down all these laws and gave the scroll to the priests, who carried the sacred chest. He also gave the scroll to all the Israelite elders.

To whom did Moses give the law after he wrote it?

Moses gave this law to the priests, the sons of Levi, who carried the ark and he also gave copies of it to all the elders of Israel.

Deuteronomy 31:10**ULT**

¹⁰ Moses commanded them and said, "At the end of every seven years, at the time fixed for the cancellation of debts, during the Festival of Shelters,

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¹⁰ Moses told them, "At the end of every seven years, at the time that all debts are canceled, read this to the people during the Festival of Shelters.

How often did Moses command the priests to read the law that Moses gave to them? (vv10-11)

Moses commanded the priests to read the law at the end of every seven years, during the Festival of Shelters, in the hearing of all Israel.

Deuteronomy 31:11**ULT**

¹¹ when all Israel has come to appear before Yahweh your God in the place that he will choose for his sanctuary, you will read this law before all Israel in their hearing.

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¹¹ Read it to all the Israelite people when they gather at the place that Yahweh chooses for them to worship him.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 31:12**ULT**

¹² Assemble the people, the men, the women, and the little ones, and your foreigner who is within your city gates, so that they may hear and learn, and so that they may honor Yahweh your God and keep all the words of this law.

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¹² Gather together everyone—men, women, children, even the foreigners who are living in your towns—in order that they may hear these laws and learn to have an awesome respect for Yahweh our God, and to faithfully obey everything that is written in these laws.

Why did Moses tell the priests to assemble the men, women, little ones and foreigners. (vv12-13)

Moses told the priests to assemble all the people so that they could hear and learn, and honor Yahweh their God and keep all the words of the law and so that their children could hear and learn to honor Yahweh.

Deuteronomy 31:13**ULT**

¹³ Do this so that their children, who have not known, may hear and learn to honor Yahweh your God, as long as you live in the land that you are going over the Jordan to possess."

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¹³ If they do that, your descendants, who have never known these laws, will hear them and will also learn to have an awesome respect for Yahweh our God, during all the years that they live in the land that you are about to cross the Jordan River to occupy."

For how long should the priests read the law to the people of Israel?

The priests should read the law to the people for as long as they live in the land that they were going over the Jordan to possess it.

Deuteronomy 31:14**ULT**

¹⁴ Yahweh said to Moses, "Look, the day is coming when you must die; call Joshua and present yourselves in the tent of meeting, so that I may give him a command." Moses and Joshua went and presented themselves in the tent of meeting.

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¹⁴ Then Yahweh said to Moses, "Listen carefully. You will soon die. Summon Joshua, and you will go to the sacred tent with him, in order that I may appoint him to be the new leader." So Joshua and Moses went to the sacred tent.

Why did Yahweh tell Moses to call Joshua and present themselves in the tent of meeting?

Yahweh told Moses to call Joshua to the tent of meeting because the day was coming when Moses must die.

What happen when Moses and Joshua presented themselves in the tent of meeting?**(vv14-15)**

When Moses and Joshua presented themselves in the tent of meeting, Yahweh appeared in the tent in a pillar of cloud which stood over the door of the tent.

Deuteronomy 31:15**ULT**

¹⁵ Yahweh appeared in the tent in a pillar of cloud; the pillar of cloud stood over the door of the tent.

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¹⁵ There Yahweh appeared to them in a pillar of cloud, and that cloud was over the entrance to the tent.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 31:16

ULT

¹⁶ Yahweh said to Moses, "Look, you will sleep with your fathers; this people will rise up and act like a prostitute going after the strange gods that are among them in the land where they are going. They will forsake me and break my covenant that I have made with them.

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¹⁶ Yahweh said to Moses, "You will soon die. Then these people will become unfaithful to me. They will stop obeying the covenant that I made with them. They will begin to worship the foreign gods that are worshiped by the people of the land that they will enter.

How did Yahweh tell Moses the people would act after Moses went to sleep with his fathers?

Yahweh told Moses that the people would rise up, act like prostitutes going after the strange gods of the land and that they would forget Yahweh and break Yahweh's covenant that he had made with them.

Deuteronomy 31:17

ULT

¹⁷ Then, on that day, my anger will be kindled against them and I will abandon them. I will hide my face from them and they will be devoured. Many disasters and troubles will find them so that they will say on that day, 'Have these disasters not come upon us because our God is not in our midst?'

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¹⁷ When that happens, I will become very angry with them. I will abandon them and refuse to help them any longer. Many bad things will happen to them, and they will be destroyed. Then they will say among themselves, 'These things are happening to us because our God is no longer with us.'

What did Yahweh tell Moses he would do when the people forgot Yahweh's covenant?

Yahweh told Moses that on the day the people forsook his covenant, his anger would be kindled against them, he would abandon them, and he would hide his face from them.

What did Yahweh tell Moses would happen to the people when Yahweh hid his face from them? (vv17-18)

Yahweh told Moses that many disasters and troubles would find the people and he would hide his face from them because they turned to other gods.

Deuteronomy 31:18**ULT**

¹⁸ I will surely hide my face from them on that day because of all the evil that they will have done, because they have turned to other gods.

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¹⁸ And because of all the evil things that they will have done, and especially because they will have started to worship other gods, I will refuse to help them.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 31:19**ULT**

¹⁹ Now therefore write this song for yourselves and teach it to the people of Israel. Put it in their mouths, so that this song may be a witness for me against the people of Israel.

UST

¹⁹ So I am going to give you, Moses, a song. Write it on a scroll and teach it to the Israelite people and make them memorize it. It will be like a witness that accuses them.

Why did Yahweh tell Moses to write a song and teach it to the people of Israel and put it in their mouths?

Yahweh told Moses to write a song and teach it to the people so that the song could be a witness for Yahweh against the people of Israel.

Deuteronomy 31:20**ULT**

²⁰ For when I will have brought them into the land that I swore to give to their ancestors, a land flowing with milk and honey, and when they have eaten and become satisfied and fat, then they will turn to other gods and they will serve them and they will despise me and they will break my covenant.

UST

²⁰ I am about to take them into a very fertile land, a land that I solemnly promised their ancestors that I would give to them. There they will have plenty to eat, with the result that their stomachs will always be full and they will become fat. But then they will turn to other gods and start to worship them, and they will despise me and break the covenant that I have made with them.

What did Yahweh tell Moses the people would do when they were in the land that Yahweh swore to give to their ancestors?

Yahweh told Moses the people of Israel would turn to other gods, worship them, despise Yahweh and break his covenant.

Deuteronomy 31:21**ULT**

²¹ When many evils and troubles come upon this people, this song will testify before them as a witness (for it will not be forgotten from the mouths of their descendants). For I know the plans that they are forming today, even before I have brought them into the land that I promised them."

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²¹ And many terrible disasters will happen to them. After that happens, their descendants will remember this song, and it will be like a witness that says, 'Now you know why Yahweh punished your ancestors.' I will soon take them into the land that I solemnly promised that I would give to them; but even now, before I do that, I know what they are thinking that they will do when they are living there."

What did Yahweh tell Moses the song would do when many evils and troubles found the people of Israel?

Yahweh told Moses that the song would testify before Israel as a witness and it would not be forgotten out of the mouths of their descendants.

What did Yahweh say he knew about the people even before he brought them into the land that he had sworn?

Yahweh said that he knew the plans that the people were forming today.

Deuteronomy 31:22**ULT**

²² So Moses wrote this song the same day and taught it to the people of Israel.

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²² So on the very day that Yahweh gave Moses that song, Moses also taught it to the Israelite people.

How long did Moses wait before he wrote the song that Yahweh told him to write?

Moses wrote the song on the same day that Yahweh told him to write it and then he taught it to the people of Israel on that same day.

Deuteronomy 31:23**ULT**

²³ Yahweh gave Joshua son of Nun a command and said, "Be strong and of good courage; for you will bring the people of Israel into the land that I swore to them, and I will be with you."

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²³ Then Yahweh appointed Joshua as leader and said to him, "Be brave and confident, because you will lead the Israelite people into the land that I solemnly promised that I would give to them. And I will be with you."

What command did Yahweh give to Joshua, the son of Nun?

Yahweh commanded Joshua to be strong and of good courage.

Why did Yahweh command Joshua to be strong and of good courage?

Yahweh told Joshua to be strong and of good courage because Joshua would bring the people of Israel into the land that Yahweh had sworn to them and Yahweh told Joshua that he would be with Joshua.

Deuteronomy 31:24**ULT**

²⁴ It happened that when Moses had finished writing the words of this law in a book,

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²⁴ Moses finished writing all the law onto a scroll.

To whom did Moses give the words of the law in a book when he had finished writing? (vv24-25)

Moses gave the words of the law to the Levites who carried the ark of the testimony of Yahweh.

Deuteronomy 31:25**ULT**

²⁵ that he commanded the Levites who carried the ark of the covenant of Yahweh, and he said,

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²⁵ Then he told the descendants of Levi, who were carrying the Sacred Chest that contained the Ten Commandments,

What did Moses tell the Levites that they should do with the book of the law when he finished writing it? (vv25-26)

Moses told the Levites to take the book of the law and put it by the side of the ark of the testimony of Yahweh their God so that it would be there as a witness against them.

Deuteronomy 31:26**ULT**

²⁶ "Take this book of the law and put it by the side of the ark of the covenant of Yahweh your God, so that it may be there as a witness against you.

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²⁶ "Take this scroll on which these laws are written, and place it beside the Sacred Chest that contains the covenant that Yahweh our God made with you, in order that it may remain there to testify about what Yahweh will do to the people if they disobey him.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 31:27**ULT**

²⁷ For I know your rebellion and your stiff neck; look, while I am still alive with you even today, you have been rebellious against Yahweh; how much more after my death?

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²⁷ I say this because I know that these people are very stubborn. They have rebelled against Yahweh all during the time that I have been with them, and they will rebel much more after I die!

What did Moses tell the Levites he knew about them even today, while he was still alive?

Moses told the Levites that he knew about their rebellion and how they had been rebellious against Yahweh.

Deuteronomy 31:28**ULT**

²⁸ Assemble to me all the elders of your tribes, and your officers, so that I may speak these words in their ears and call heaven and earth to witness against them.

UST

²⁸ So gather all the elders of the tribes and your officials, in order that I can teach them the words of this song, and so that I can request all those who are in heaven and on the earth to be witnesses to testify against these people.

Why does Moses tell the Levites to assemble before him all the elders of their tribes and their officers?

Moses tells the Levites to assemble the elders and officers so that he could speak his words in their ears and call heaven and earth to witness against them.

Deuteronomy 31:29**ULT**

²⁹ For I know that after my death you will utterly corrupt yourselves and turn aside out of the path that I have commanded you; disaster will come on you in the following days. This will happen because you will do what is evil in the sight of Yahweh, so as to provoke him to anger through the work of your hands."

UST

²⁹ I say this, because I know that after I die, the people will become very wicked. They will stop doing everything that I have commanded them to do. And in the future, because of all the evil things that they will do, they will cause Yahweh to become angry with them. Then he will cause them to experience disasters."

What does Moses say that he knows will happen after his death?

Moses says that after his death the people will utterly corrupt themselves and turn away from the path that Moses had commanded them.

What does Moses say will happen when the people turn away from the path that Moses had commanded them?

Moses says that disaster will come on the people in the following days after they turn away from the path that Moses had commanded them.

Why does Moses say disaster will come to the people?

Moses says disaster will come because they will do what is evil in the sight of Yahweh, so as to make him angry through the work of their hands.

Deuteronomy 31:30**ULT**

³⁰ Moses recited in the ears of all the assembly of Israel the words of this song until they were finished.

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³⁰ Then, while all the Israelite people listened, Moses sang this entire song to them:

What did Moses sing in the ears of all the assembly of Israel?

Moses sang all the words of the song he had written.

Deuteronomy 32

Deuteronomy 32:1

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¹ Give ear, you heavens, and let me speak. Let the earth listen to the words of my mouth.

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¹ "Listen to me, all you who are in the heavens, and all you who are on the earth, listen to what I say.

What is Moses asking the heavens and the earth to do?

Moses is asking the heavens to give ear and let him speak and he is asking the earth to listen to the words of his mouth.

Deuteronomy 32:2

ULT

² Let my teaching drop down like the rain, let my speech distill like the dew, like the gentle rain on the tender grass, and like the showers on the plants.

UST

² I wish that my song may help you like the rain helps you, or like the dew on the ground in the morning, or like a gentle rain on the young plants, like showers of rain on the grass.

To what does Moses compare his teaching and his speech?

Moses compares his teaching to rain and his speech to dew.

Deuteronomy 32:3

ULT

³ For I will proclaim the name of Yahweh, and ascribe greatness to our God.

UST

³ I will praise Yahweh. And all you people should praise how great our God is.

To whom name does Moses proclaim and ascribe greatness?

Moses proclaims the name of Yahweh and ascribes greatness to God.

Deuteronomy 32:4**ULT**

⁴ The Rock, his work {is} perfect; for all his paths are just. He is the faithful God, without iniquity. He is just and upright.

UST

⁴ He is like a rock on top of which we are protected; everything that he does is perfect and completely just. He always does what he says that he will do; he never does anything that is wrong.

Whose works are perfect and paths are just?

The work of the Rock is perfect and his paths are just.

Who has no iniquity and is just and upright?

God is faithful, has no iniquity and is just and upright.

Deuteronomy 32:5**ULT**

⁵ They have acted corruptly against him. {They are} not his children. It is their disgrace. They are a perverted and crooked generation.

UST

⁵ But you Israelite people have been very unfaithful to him; because of your sins, you no longer deserve to be his children. You are extremely wicked and deceitful.

What does Moses call the people who have acted wickedly against Yahweh? (vv5-6)

Moses calls them a wicked and crooked generation and foolish and senseless people.

Deuteronomy 32:6**ULT**

⁶ Do you reward Yahweh in this way, you foolish and senseless people? {Is} he not your father, the one {who} has created you? He made you and established you.

UST

⁶ You foolish and senseless people, is this the way that you should repay Yahweh for all that he has done for you? He is your father; he created you; he caused you to become a nation.

Who does Moses say made and established the people of Israel?

Moses says that Yahweh made and established the people of Israel.

Deuteronomy 32:7**ULT**

⁷ Call to mind the days of ancient times, think about the years of many ages past. Ask your father and he will show you, your elders and they will tell you.

UST

⁷ Think about what happened long ago; consider what happened to your ancestors. Ask your parents, and they will inform you; ask the older people, and they will tell you.

Of what does Moses say the fathers and elders will be able to remind the Israelites?

Moses says that the fathers and elders will be able to remind the Israelites about the days of ancient times and the years of many ages past.

Deuteronomy 32:8**ULT**

⁸ When the Most High gave the nations their inheritance— when he divided all of mankind, and he set the boundaries of the peoples, as he also fixed the number of their gods.

UST

⁸ When God, who is greater than any other god, long ago divided the people into groups, he assigned to the nations their land. He determined where each people group should live and limited to each people group their own gods.

What does Moses say the fathers and elders can tell the people about when the Most High gave the nations their inheritance?

Moses said the the Most High divided all of mankind, and set the boundaries of the peoples according to the number of the sons of Israel.

Deuteronomy 32:9**ULT**

⁹ For Yahweh's portion {is} his people; Jacob {is} his apportioned inheritance.

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⁹ But Yahweh decided that we would be his people; he chose us, the descendants of Jacob, to belong to him.

What is Yahweh's portion and who is his apportioned inheritance?

Yahweh's portion is his people and Jacob is his apportioned inheritance.

Deuteronomy 32:10**ULT**

¹⁰ He found him in a desert land, and in the barren and howling wilderness; he shielded him and cared for him, he guarded him as the apple of his eye.

UST

¹⁰ He saw our ancestors when they were in a desert, wandering in a land that was desolate. He protected them and took care of them, as every person takes good care of his own eyes.

Where did Yahweh find Jacob (his people)?

Yahweh found Jacob (his people) in a desert land.

What did Yahweh do for his people?

Yahweh shielded them, cared for them and guarded them as the apple of his eye.

Deuteronomy 32:11**ULT**

¹¹ As an eagle that guards her nest and flutters over her young, Yahweh spread out his wings and took them, and carried them on his pinions.

UST

¹¹ Yahweh protected his people just like an eagle encourages its babies to fly and flutters over them, spreading its wings and catching them if they start to fall.

To what does Moses compare the way that Yahweh took care of his people?

Moses compares the way that Yahweh took care of his people to an eagle who guards her nest and flutters over her young.

Deuteronomy 32:12**ULT**

¹² Yahweh alone led him; no foreign god {was} with him.

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¹² Yahweh was the only one who led them; no other foreign god helped them.

Who alone led the people of Israel?

Yahweh alone led the people of Israel.

Deuteronomy 32:13**ULT**

¹³ He made him ride on high places of the land, and he fed him the fruits of the field; he nourished him with honey from the rock, and oil from the flinty crag.

UST

¹³ After they entered the land that Yahweh promised to give to them, Yahweh enabled them to rule the hill country; they ate the crops that grew in the fields. They found honey in the rocks, and their olive trees grew even in stony ground.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 32:14**ULT**

¹⁴ He ate butter from the herd and drank milk from the flock, with fat of lambs, rams of Bashan and goats, with the finest of the wheat— and you drank foaming wine made from the juice of grapes.

UST

¹⁴ The cows gave them plenty of curds; the goats gave them plenty of milk, they had well fed sheep and cattle, they had very good wheat, and they made delicious wine from their grapes.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 32:15**ULT**

¹⁵ But Jeshurun grew fat and kicked— you grew fat, you were too fat, and you had eaten your fill— he abandoned the God {who} made him, and he rejected the Rock of his salvation.

UST

¹⁵ The Israelite people became rich and prosperous, but then they rebelled against God; they abandoned him, the one who created them, the one who powerfully saves them.

What happened when Jeshurun (Israel) grew fat? (vv15-16)

When Jeshurun (Israel) grew fat and satisfied they abandoned and rejected Yahweh and made him jealous by their strange gods and angered him with their detestable idols.

Deuteronomy 32:16**ULT**

¹⁶ They made Yahweh jealous by their strange {gods}; with their abominations they angered him.

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¹⁶ He abandoned them because they started to worship other gods. Because of their worshipping disgusting idols, he became angry.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 32:17**ULT**

¹⁷ They sacrificed to demons, which are not God— {gods} they had not known, {gods} that recently appeared, gods your fathers did not fear.

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¹⁷ They offered sacrifices to gods who were really demons, gods that their ancestors had never known; they offered sacrifices to gods that they had recently found out about, gods whom your ancestors had never had any respect for.

Who did God's people forget when they continued to rebel? (vv17-18)

They forgot the God who gave them birth.

Deuteronomy 32:18**ULT**

¹⁸ You have deserted the Rock, who became your father, and you forgot the God {who} gave you birth.

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¹⁸ They forgot the true God, the one who protects them, the one who created them and caused them to live.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 32:19**ULT**

¹⁹ Yahweh saw this and he rejected {them,} because his sons and his daughters provoked him so.

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¹⁹ When Yahweh saw that they had abandoned him, he became angry, so he rejected the Israelite people who were like his sons and daughters.

What did Yahweh do because his people provoked him? (vv19-20)

Yahweh rejected his people because they provoked him.

Deuteronomy 32:20**ULT**

²⁰ "I will hide my face from them," he said, "and I will see what their end {will be;} for they are a perverse generation, children who {are} unfaithful.

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²⁰ He said, 'They are very wicked people, very unfaithful; so I will no longer help them, and then I will watch and see what happens to them.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 32:21**ULT**

²¹ They have made me jealous by {what} is not god and angered me by their worthless things. I will make them envious by {those who are} not a people; by a foolish nation I will make them angry.

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²¹ Because they now are worshiping idols, which are not really gods, they have caused me to be like a jealous husband because I want them to worship only me. So now, in order to cause them to become angry, I will now send to attack them an army of a nation of worthless and foolish people.

Who will Yahweh use to make Israel envious and angry?

Yahweh will make them envious by those who are not a people, and will make them angry by a nation that has no understanding.

Deuteronomy 32:22**ULT**

²² For a fire is kindled by my anger and is burning to the lowest Sheol; it is devouring the earth and its harvest; it is setting on fire the foundations of the mountains.

UST

²² I will be very angry, and I will destroy them like a fire that will burn all the way down to the place where dead people are; that fire will destroy the earth and everything that grows on it, and it will even burn what is down under the mountains.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 32:23**ULT**

²³ I will heap disasters on them; I will shoot all my arrows at them;

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²³ I will pile up on them many disasters; they will feel as though I am shooting all my arrows on them.

What did Yahweh say he would heap on Israel?

Yahweh said he would heap disasters on them.

Deuteronomy 32:24**ULT**

²⁴ {They will be} wasted by hunger and devoured by burning heat and bitter destruction; I will send on them the teeth of wild animals, with the poison of things that crawl in the dust.

UST

²⁴ They will die because of being hungry and because of having hot fevers and because of terrible diseases; I will send wild animals to attack them, and poisonous snakes to bite them.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 32:25**ULT**

²⁵ Outside the sword will bereave, and in the bedrooms terror will do so. It will destroy both young man and virgin, the nursing baby, and the man of gray hairs.

UST

²⁵ Outside their houses, their enemies will kill them with swords, and in their homes, their enemies will cause them to be terrified. Their enemies will kill young men and young women, and they will kill infants and old people with gray hair.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 32:26**ULT**

²⁶ I said that I would scatter them far away, that I would make the memory of them to cease from among mankind.

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²⁶ I wanted only to scatter them to distant countries in order that no one would ever remember them.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 32:27**ULT**

²⁷ Were it not that I feared the provocation of the enemy, and that their enemies would judge mistakenly, and that they would say, 'Our hand {is} exalted,' I would have done all this.

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²⁷ But if I did that, their enemies would wrongly boast that they were the ones who had gotten rid of my people; they would say, "We are the ones who defeated them; it was not Yahweh who has done all these things."

What would keep Yahweh from doing all that he threatened to his people?

Yahweh would keep from doing all that he threatened to his people because their enemies would judge mistakenly and say, "Our hand is exalted."

Deuteronomy 32:28**ULT**

²⁸ For Israel is a nation devoid of wisdom, and {there is} no understanding in them.

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²⁸ You Israelites are a nation of people who do not have any sense. None of you are wise.

Of what was Israel lacking as a nation?

Israel was lacking wisdom and there was no understanding in them.

Deuteronomy 32:29**ULT**

²⁹ Oh, {that} they were wise, {that} they understood this, that they would consider their coming fate!

UST

²⁹ If you were wise, you would understand why you would be punished; you would have realized what was going to happen to you.

What does Moses want for Israel to consider?

Moses wants Israel to consider their coming fate.

Deuteronomy 32:30**ULT**

³⁰ How could one chase a thousand, and two put ten thousand to flight, unless their Rock had sold them, and Yahweh had given them up?

UST

³⁰ You would have realized why a thousand of your soldiers would be defeated by only one of the enemy soldiers, and why two of your enemies would chase away ten thousand Israelite soldiers. You would realize that this would happen only if God, the one who always defended you, had put you in the hands of your enemies, that Yahweh had abandoned you.

**How is it that Israel can put their enemies to flight have victory over their enemies?
(vv30-31)**

Israel can have victory because Yahweh has given them victory and the rock of their enemies is not like the Rock of the Israelites.

Deuteronomy 32:31**ULT**

³¹ For our enemies' rock {is} not like our Rock, just as even our enemies admit.

UST

³¹ Your enemies know that their gods are not powerful like Yahweh, our God, so their gods could not have defeated us Israelites.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 32:32**ULT**

³² For their vine comes from the vine of Sodom, and from the fields of Gomorrah; their grapes {are} grapes of poison; their clusters {are} bitter.

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³² Your enemies are like grapevines planted near the ruins of the cities of Sodom and Gomorrah; the grapes from those vines are bitter and poisonous.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 32:33**ULT**

³³ Their wine {is} the poison of serpents and the cruel venom of asps.

UST

³³ The wine from those grapes is like the poison of snakes.

How is the wine from the grapes of Sodom and Gomorrah described?

The wine is described as the poison of serpents and the venom of a snake.

**From where does the vine of the enemy come and what are how are the grapes described?
(vv33-34)**

Their vine comes from Sodom and Gomorrah and their grapes are poisonous and bitter.

Deuteronomy 32:34**ULT**

³⁴ Is not this plan secretly kept by me, sealed up among my treasures?

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³⁴ Yahweh says, 'I know what I have planned to do to the Israelite people and to their enemies, and I have locked up those plans as someone would lock up his valuable possessions.'

How is the plan of Yahweh kept?

Yahweh's plan is kept by him and sealed up among his treasures.

Deuteronomy 32:35**ULT**

³⁵ Vengeance is mine to give, and recompense, at the time when their foot slips; for the day of disaster for them {is} near, and the things that are to come on them will hurry to happen."

UST

³⁵ I am the one who will get revenge and pay those enemies back for what they have done to my people, at the right time for them to be punished; they will soon experience disasters, and I will punish them quickly.'

To whom does vengeance and recompense belong?

Vengeance and recompense belongs to Yahweh.

How soon may the day of disaster and the things that are to come happen?

Disaster is near and the things to come will hurry to happen.

Deuteronomy 32:36**ULT**

³⁶ For Yahweh will give justice to his people, and he will pity his servants. He will see that {their} power is gone, and no one remains, either slaves or free people.

UST

³⁶ But Yahweh will say that you who are truly his people are innocent, and he will act mercifully toward you who serve him, when he sees that you are helpless, and that there are very few of you, slaves or free people, who are still alive.

Who will make decisions for his people and have pity on his servants?

Yahweh will decide for his people and he will pity his servants.

Deuteronomy 32:37**ULT**

³⁷ Then he will say, "Where {are} their gods, the rock in whom they took refuge?—

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³⁷ Then Yahweh will ask you, "Where are the gods that you thought would protect you?"

From whom does help and protection not come for the people of Israel? (vv37-38)

Protection and help does not come from the gods, the rock in whom they took refuge and who ate their sacrifices and drank their drink offerings.

Deuteronomy 32:38**ULT**

³⁸ The gods who ate the fat of their sacrifices {and} drank the wine of their drink offerings? Let them rise up and help you; let them be your protection.

UST

³⁸ You gave to those gods the best parts of the animals that you sacrificed, and you poured out wine for them to drink. So they should rise and help you; they should be the ones who will protect you!

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 32:39**ULT**

³⁹ See now that I, {even} I, {am} God, and that there is no god besides me; I kill, and I make alive; I wound, and I heal, and {there is} no one who can save you from my might.

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³⁹ But now you will realize that I, only I, am God; there is no other god who is a real god. I am the one who can kill people and who can cause people to live; I can wound people, and I can heal people, and there is no one who can prevent me from doing those things.

Who does God say is a god besides him and what does God alone say that he can do?

God says that there is no god besides him and he alone will kill and make alive, wound and heal.

Deuteronomy 32:40**ULT**

⁴⁰ For I lift up my hand to heaven and say, ‘{As} I live forever, I will act.

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⁴⁰ I raise my hand toward heaven and solemnly declare that just as sure as I live forever, I will act.

What does God, who alone is God promise as he lifts up his hand to heaven?

As he lifts his hand to heaven he promises that as he lives forever, he will act.

Deuteronomy 32:41**ULT**

⁴¹ When I sharpen my glittering sword, and when my hand begins to bring justice, I will render vengeance on my enemies, and I will pay back those who hate me.

UST

⁴¹ When I sharpen my sword and prepare to punish people, I will get revenge on my enemies, and I will pay back those who hate me.

On whom will God bring justice and render vengeance?

God will bring justice and render vengeance on his enemies and those who hate him.

Deuteronomy 32:42**ULT**

⁴² I will make my arrows drunk with blood, and my sword will devour flesh with the blood of the killed and the captives, and from the heads of the leaders of the enemy.”

UST

⁴² I will kill all of my enemies with a sword; it will be as though I had arrows that were covered with their blood. I will kill all those whom I capture and cut off their heads.’

From whom does God say that his arrows be drunk with blood and his sword devour flesh?

God’s arrows will be drunk with the blood of the killed and captives and his sword will devour flesh from the heads of the leaders of the enemy?

Deuteronomy 32:43**ULT**

⁴³ Rejoice, you nations, {with} God's people, for he will avenge the blood of his servants; he will render vengeance on his enemies, and he will make atonement for his land, for his people.

UST

⁴³ You people of all nations, you should praise Yahweh's people, because Yahweh gets revenge on those who kill the people who serve him, and he cleanses his people's land which has become defiled because of their sins."

Who will rejoice with God's people when he avenges the blood of his servants and brings vengeance on his enemies?

The nations will rejoice with God's people.

For whom will God make atonement for his land?

God will make atonement for his land, for his people.

Deuteronomy 32:44**ULT**

⁴⁴ Moses came and recited all the words of this song in the ears of the people, he, and Joshua son of Nun.

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⁴⁴ Joshua and Moses sang that song while the Israelite people were listening.

Who sang all the words of this song in the ears of the people?

Moses and Joshua sang this song in the ears of the people.

Deuteronomy 32:45**ULT**

⁴⁵ Then Moses finished reciting all these words to all Israel.

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⁴⁵ Then they finished singing to them this song.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 32:46**ULT**

⁴⁶ He said to them, "Fix your mind on all the words that I have witnessed to you today, so that you may command your children to keep them, all the words of this law.

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⁴⁶ Moses said, "Never forget all these commands that I have been giving you today. Teach these laws to your children, in order that they will faithfully obey all of them.

Why are the people of Israel to fix their minds on the words that Moses has witnessed to them?

The people are to fix their minds on Moses' words so they could command their children to keep all the words of this law.

Deuteronomy 32:47**ULT**

⁴⁷ For this is no trivial matter for you, because it {is} your life, and through this thing you will prolong {your} days in the land that you are going over the Jordan to possess."

UST

⁴⁷ These instructions are very important. If you obey them, you will live a long time in the land that you are about to cross the Jordan River to occupy."

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 32:48**ULT**

⁴⁸ Yahweh spoke to Moses on that same day and said,

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⁴⁸ On that same day, Yahweh said to Moses,

Why did Yahweh tell Moses to go up into the mountains opposite Jericho? (vv48-49)

Yahweh told Moses to go up to the mountains so that he could look at the land of Canaan which Yahweh was giving to the people of Israel as their possession.

Deuteronomy 32:49**ULT**

⁴⁹ "Go up into this range of the mountains of Abarim, up Mount Nebo, which {is} in the land of Moab, opposite Jericho. You will look at the land of Canaan, which I am giving to the people of Israel as their possession.

UST

⁴⁹ "Go to the Abarim mountain range here in the region of Moab, across from Jericho. Climb Mount Nebo and look toward the west to see Canaan, the land that I am about to give to the Israelite people.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 32:50**ULT**

⁵⁰ You will die on the mountain that you go up, and you will be gathered to your people, as Aaron your fellow Israelite died on Mount Hor and was gathered to his people.

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⁵⁰ You will die on that mountain, like your older brother Aaron died on Mount Hor.

What does Yahweh say will happen to Moses on the mountain?

Yahweh says that Moses will die on the mountain as Aaron had died on Mount Hor and was gathered to his people.

Why did Yahweh say that Moses was going to die on the mountain? (vv50-51)

Moses was going to die on the mountain because he was unfaithful to Yahweh at the waters of Meribah in Kadesh and because Moses did not treat Yahweh with honor and respect among the people of Israel.

Deuteronomy 32:51**ULT**

⁵¹ This will happen because you were unfaithful to me among the people of Israel at the waters of Meribah in Kadesh, in the wilderness of Zin; because you did not treat me with honor and respect among the people of Israel.

UST

⁵¹ You will die because both of you disobeyed me in the presence of the Israelite people, when you all were at the springs of Meribah near Kadesh in the wilderness of Zin. You did not honor and respect me in the presence of the Israelite people in the way that I deserve because I am God.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 32:52

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⁵² For you will see the land before you, but you will not go there, into the land that I am giving to the people of Israel.”

UST

⁵² When you are on that mountain where I told you to go, you will see in the distance in front of you the land that I am about to give to the Israelite people, but you will not enter it.”

What did Yahweh say that Moses would see before his death?

Yahweh said that Moses would see the land that Yahweh was giving to the people of Israel but he would not go there.

Deuteronomy 33

Deuteronomy 33:1

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¹ This {is} the blessing with which Moses the man of God blessed the people of Israel before his death.

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¹ Before God's prophet Moses died, he asked God to bless the Israelite people.

When did Moses give this blessing to the people of Israel?

Moses gave this blessing to the people of Israel before his death.

Deuteronomy 33:2

ULT

² He said: Yahweh came from Sinai and rose from Seir upon them. He shined out from Mount Paran, and he came with ten thousands of holy ones. In his right hand were flashes of lightning.

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² This is what he said: "Yahweh came and spoke to us at Mount Sinai; he came like the sun rises in the region of Edom and like his light shone on us when we were in the desert near Mount Paran after we left Mount Sinai. He came with ten thousand angels, and there was a flaming fire at his right side.

How does Moses describe Yahweh?

Moses describes Yahweh as one who shone out from Mout Paran, came with ten thousands of holy ones, and in his right hand there were flashes of lightning.

Deuteronomy 33:3**ULT**

³ Indeed, he loves the peoples; all his holy ones are in your hand, and they bowed down at your feet; they received your words.

UST

³ Yahweh truly loves his people and protects all those who belong to him. So they prostrate themselves in front of him, and they listen to his instructions.

How does Yahweh feel about the people of Israel?

Yahweh loves the people the people of Israel.

How do the holy people of Israel respond to the love of Yahweh?

The holy people of Israel bow down at Yahweh's feet and receive Yahweh's words.

Deuteronomy 33:4**ULT**

⁴ Moses commanded us a law, an inheritance for the assembly of Jacob.

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⁴ I gave them laws to obey, laws that would forever be for the descendants of Jacob.

What does Moses say about the law that he commanded to the people?

Moses calls the law an inheritance for the assembly of Jacob.

Deuteronomy 33:5**ULT**

⁵ Then there was a king in Jeshurun, when the heads of the people had gathered, all the tribes of Israel together.

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⁵ So Yahweh became the king of his Israelite people when all the tribes and their leaders had gathered together.

What did Yahweh become when the heads of the people and all the tribes of Israel had gathered?

Yahweh became king in Jeshurun (Israel).

Deuteronomy 33:6**ULT**

⁶ Let Reuben live and not die, but may his men be few.

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⁶ I say this about the tribe of Reuben: I desire that their tribe will never disappear, but that they will never become numerous.

What did Moses say would happen to Reuben?

Moses said that Reuben would live and not die but his men would be few.

Deuteronomy 33:7**ULT**

⁷ This is the blessing for Judah. Moses said: Listen, Yahweh, to the voice of Judah, and bring him to his people again. Fight for him; be a help against his enemies.

UST

⁷ I say this about the tribe of Judah: Yahweh, listen to them when they call out for help; and after they separate from the other tribes, unite them with the other tribes again. Fight for them, and help them to fight against their enemies.

What is the blessing that Moses gives to Judah?

Moses asks Yahweh to bless Judah by listening to the voice of Judah, bringing him to his people and fighting for him.

Deuteronomy 33:8**ULT**

⁸ About Levi, Moses said: Your Thummim and your Urim belong to your faithful one, the one whom you tested at Massah, with whom you struggled at the waters of Meribah.

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⁸ I say this about the tribe of Levi: Yahweh, give to those who are dedicated to you the sacred stones that they will use to find out what you want to be done; You tested them at a spring in the desert, a spring that they named Massah and also named Meribah to find out if they would remain loyal to you.

What does Moses tell the Levites to do in his blessing to them?

Moses tells the Levites to teach Yahweh's decrees, put incense and burnt offerings on Yahweh's altar, to bless Yahweh and accept the work of his hands and to shatter the loins of those who rise up against Yahweh.

Deuteronomy 33:9**ULT**

⁹ The man who said about his father and mother, "I have not seen them." Neither did he acknowledge his brothers, nor did he take account of his own children. For he guarded your word and kept your covenant.

UST

⁹ The tribe of Levi did what you told them to do and obeyed the covenant that you had made with the Israelite people; those laws were more important to them than their siblings and parents and children.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 33:10**ULT**

¹⁰ He teaches Jacob your decrees and Israel your law. He will put incense before you and whole burnt offerings on your altar.

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¹⁰ The tribe of Levi will teach the Israelite people your decrees and your laws, and they are the ones who will burn incense and who will completely burn on the altar the offerings that the people bring.

What does Moses tell the Levites to do in his blessing to them? (vv10-11)

Moses tells the Levites to teach Yahweh's decrees, put incense and burnt offerings on Yahweh's altar, to bless Yahweh and accept the work of his hands and to shatter the loins of those who rise up against Yahweh.

Deuteronomy 33:11**ULT**

¹¹ Bless, Yahweh, his possessions, and accept the work of his hands. Shatter the loins of those who rise up against him, and those of the people who hate him, so that they do not rise up again.

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¹¹ Yahweh, bless their work and accept all that they do. Crush all their enemies; do not enable their enemies to be able to fight against them again.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 33:12**ULT**

¹² About Benjamin, Moses said: The one loved by Yahweh lives in security beside him; Yahweh shields him all the day long, and he lives between Yahweh's arms.

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¹² I say this about the tribe of Benjamin: They are the tribe that Yahweh loves; he keeps them safe. He protects them continually, and he lives among their hills.

What does Moses say about Benjamin's blessing?

Yahweh says that Benjamin is the one loved by Yahweh, Yahweh shields him all day long and he lives between Yahweh's arms.

Deuteronomy 33:13**ULT**

¹³ About Joseph, Moses said: May his land be blessed by Yahweh with the precious things of heaven, with the dew, and with the deep that lies beneath.

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¹³ I say this about the tribes of Joseph: I desire that Yahweh will bless their land by giving them rain from the sky and water from deep down in the ground.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 33:14**ULT**

¹⁴ May his land be blessed with the precious things of the harvest of the sun, with the precious things of the produce of the months,

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¹⁴ I desire that Yahweh will bless their land by giving them good fruit ripened by the sun and good crops in the right months.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 33:15**ULT**

¹⁵ with the finest things of the ancient mountains, and with the precious things of the everlasting hills.

UST

¹⁵ I desire that Yahweh give them that very nice fruit that will grow on trees in their ancient mountains.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 33:16**ULT**

¹⁶ May his land be blessed with the precious things of the earth and its abundance, and with the good will of him who was in the bush. Let {the blessing} come on the head of Joseph, and on the top of the head of him {who was} prince over his brothers.

UST

¹⁶ I desire that Yahweh will bless their land and that he fill the land with many good crops. I desire that Yahweh will bless the tribes of Joseph in all those ways, because he was the leader over his older brothers when they were in Egypt.

Who was prince over his brothers?

Joseph was prince over his brothers.

Deuteronomy 33:17**ULT**

¹⁷ The firstborn of an ox, majestic is he, and his horns are the horns of a wild ox. With them he will push the peoples, all of them, to the ends of the earth. These {are} the ten thousands of Ephraim; these {are} the thousands of Manasseh.

UST

¹⁷ The descendants of Joseph will be as strong as a bull; with their weapons they will wound their enemies like a wild ox gores other animals with its horns. They will push other people groups, all of them, to the most distant places on the earth. That is what the descendants of the two sons of Joseph will do, the ten thousands of the tribe of Ephraim and the thousands of the tribe of Manasseh.

What will the ten thousands of Ephraim and the thousands of Manasseh do?

They will push the peoples, all of them, to the ends of the earth.

Deuteronomy 33:18**ULT**

¹⁸ About Zebulun, Moses said: Rejoice, Zebulun, in your going out, and you, Issachar, in your tents.

UST

¹⁸ I say this about the tribes of Zebulun and Issachar: I desire that the people of Zebulun will prosper in their travels across the seas, and that the people of Issachar will prosper while they stay at home and take care of their cattle and crops.

From where does Moses say the blessings of Zebulun and Issachar will come? (vv18-19)

The blessings of Zebulun and Issachar will come from the mountains, the abundance of the seas and from the sand hidden in the seashore.

Deuteronomy 33:19**ULT**

¹⁹ They will call the peoples {to} the mountains. There will they offer sacrifices of righteousness. For they will suck the abundance of the seas, and from the sand on the seashore.

UST

¹⁹ They will invite people from the other Israelite tribes to the mountain where they worship Yahweh, and they will offer correct sacrifices to him. They will become rich from the trade that they carry out on the seas and from using the sand along the sea to make things.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 33:20**ULT**

²⁰ About Gad, Moses said: Blessed be he who enlarges Gad. He will live there like a lioness, and he will tear off an arm or a head.

UST

²⁰ I say this about the tribe of Gad: Praise Yahweh, the one who made their territory large. The people of their tribe will attack their enemies fiercely like a lion that crouches, waiting to tear off the arm or the scalp of some animal.

How does Moses say Gad will live as his territory is enlarged?

Gad will live there like a lioness and tear off an arm or a head.

Deuteronomy 33:21**ULT**

²¹ He provided the best {part} for himself, for there was the leader's portion of land reserved. He came {with} the heads of the people. He carried out the justice of Yahweh and his decrees with Israel.

UST

²¹ They chose the best part of the land for themselves; a large share of the land, a share that should be given to a leader was allotted to them. When the leaders of the tribes of Israel gathered together, they decided that the tribe of Gad should have a large share of the land. The tribe of Gad obeyed the commands of Yahweh and the things that he decided that they should do.

What did Gad carry out for Yahweh?

Gad carried out the justice of Yahweh and his decrees with Israel.

Deuteronomy 33:22**ULT**

²² About Dan, Moses said: Dan {is} a lion cub that leaps out from Bashan.

UST

²² I say this about the tribe of Dan: The people of the tribe of Dan are like a young lion; they leap out from their caves in the region of Bashan to attack their enemies.

How did Moses describe Dan?

Moses described Dan as a lion cub that leaps out from Bashan.

Deuteronomy 33:23**ULT**

²³ About Naphtali, Moses said: Naphtali, satisfied with favor, and full of the blessing of Yahweh, take possession of the land to the west and south.

UST

²³ I say this about the tribe of Naphtali: The people of the tribe of Naphtali have been blessed by Yahweh, who has been very kind to them; their land extends far south from Lake Galilee.

What land did Moses say Naphtali will take?

Naphtali will take possession of the land to the west and south.

Deuteronomy 33:24**ULT**

²⁴ About Asher, Moses said: Blessed be Asher more than the other sons; let him be acceptable to his brothers, and let him dip his foot in olive oil.

UST

²⁴ I say this about the tribe of Asher: Yahweh will bless the descendants of Asher more than he will bless the other tribes. Yahweh will favor them most of all. I desire that their land will be filled with olive trees that will produce a lot of olives to make olive oil.

What does Moses say about the blessing for Asher? (vv24-25)

Moses says that Asher will be more blessed than the other sons, that he might dip his foot in olive oil and that he will be secure for all his day.

Deuteronomy 33:25**ULT**

²⁵ May your city bars be iron and bronze; as long as will be your days, {so} long will your security {be}.

UST

²⁵ Their towns will be protected by high walls with gates that have bronze and iron bars; I desire all the time that they live and not be harmed by anyone.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 33:26**ULT**

²⁶ {There is} no one like God, Jeshurun—the upright one, {who} rides through the heavens to your help, and in his majesty on the clouds.

UST

²⁶ You people of Israel, there is no god like your God, who rides majestically across the sky to help you.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 33:27**ULT**

²⁷ The eternal God {is} a refuge, and underneath {are} the everlasting arms. He thrust out the enemy from before you, and he said, "Destroy!"

UST

²⁷ God, who lives forever, is the one who gives you refuge; it is as though he puts his everlasting arms under you to support you. He will drive out your enemies while you advance; he has told you to destroy all of them.

What did Moses say God will do to Jeshurun's (Israel's) enemies?

Moses said God would thrust out Jeshurun's (Israel's) enemies from before them and that God will say, "Destroy!"

Deuteronomy 33:28**ULT**

²⁸ Israel dwelt in safety. Jacob's spring was secure in a land of grain and new wine; indeed, let his heavens drop dew on him.

UST

²⁸ So you Israelite people will live safely; you descendants of Jacob will not be disturbed by others; in the land where you will live, there will be plenty of grain and wine, and plenty of rain will fall from the sky.

How will Jacob's descendants live?

Jacob's descendants will live safely and securely in a land of grain and new wine.

Deuteronomy 33:29**ULT**

²⁹ Your blessings are many, Israel! Who is like you, a people saved by Yahweh, the shield of your help, and the sword of your majesty? Your enemies will come trembling to you; you will trample down their high places.

UST

²⁹ You people of Israel, how fortunate are you. There is certainly no nation like your nation, whom Yahweh has rescued from being slaves in Egypt. He will be like a shield to protect you and like a sword to enable you to defeat your enemies. Your enemies will come to you begging for you to act mercifully toward them, but you will trample on their backs."

How does Moses describing Israel?

Moses describes Israel as blessed and a people saved by Yahweh, whose enemies will come trembling to them.

Deuteronomy 34

Deuteronomy 34:1

ULT

¹ Moses went up from the plains of Moab to Mount Nebo, to the top of Pisgah, which is opposite Jericho. There Yahweh showed him all the land of Gilead as far as Dan,

UST

¹ Then Moses climbed up from the plains in the region of Moab to Mount Nebo, to the highest point on Mount Pisgah, which is across the Jordan River from Jericho. There Yahweh showed him all the land that the Israelites would occupy. He showed him the region of Gilead as far north as the city of Dan;

From where was Moses shown all the lands that the tribes of Israel would possess? (vv1-3)

Moses was shown all the land that the tribes of Israel would possess from the top of Pisgah.

Deuteronomy 34:2

ULT

² and all Naphtali, and the land of Ephraim and Manasseh, and all the land of Judah, to the western sea,

UST

² all the land that the tribe of Naphtali would occupy; all the land that the tribes of Ephraim and Manasseh had occupied; all the land that the tribe of Judah would occupy as far west as the Mediterranean Sea;

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 34:3

ULT

³ and the Negev, and the plain of the Valley of Jericho, the City of Palms, as far as Zoar.

UST

³ the desert area in the south part of Judah; and the Valley of the Jordan that extends from Jericho in the north to the city of Zoar in the south.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 34:4**ULT**

⁴ Yahweh said to him, "This is the land that I swore to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, saying, 'I will give it to your descendants.' I have allowed you to look at {it} with your eyes, but you will not go over there."

UST

⁴ Then Yahweh said to him, "You have now seen this land that I solemnly promised to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, saying 'I will give it to your descendants.' I have allowed you to see it from a distance, but you will not go there."

What did Yahweh allow Moses to see before he died?

Yahweh allowed Moses to see the land that Yahweh swore to Abraham, Isaac and Jacob.

Deuteronomy 34:5**ULT**

⁵ So Moses the servant of Yahweh, died there in the land of Moab, as the word of Yahweh promised.

UST

⁵ So Moses, who always served Yahweh faithfully, died there in the land of in Moab, which is what Yahweh said would happen.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 34:6**ULT**

⁶ Yahweh buried him in the valley in the land of Moab opposite Beth Peor, but no one knows where his grave is to this day.

UST

⁶ Yahweh buried Moses' body in the valley in the land of Moab, across from the town of Beth Peor, but to this day no one knows where he is buried.

Where did Moses die and where did Yahweh bury Moses?

Moses died in the land of Moab and Yahweh buried him in the valley in the land of Moab opposite Beth Peor.

Deuteronomy 34:7**ULT**

⁷ Moses {was} one hundred twenty years old when he died; his eye was not dim, nor his natural force abated.

UST

⁷ Moses was 120 years old when he died, but he was still very strong, and he could still see very well.

What was Moses physical condition when he died at one hundred twenty years of age?

When Moses died he was still strong and could see well.

Deuteronomy 34:8**ULT**

⁸ The people of Israel mourned for Moses in the plains of Moab for thirty days, {and} then the days of mourning for Moses were finished.

UST

⁸ The Israelite people mourned for him in the plains of Moab for thirty days.

How long did the people of Israel mourn for Moses?

The people mourned for Moses for thirty days.

Deuteronomy 34:9**ULT**

⁹ Joshua son of Nun was full of the spirit of wisdom, for Moses had laid his hands on him. The people of Israel listened to him and did what Yahweh had commanded Moses.

UST

⁹ God caused Joshua to be very wise, because Moses had put his hands on Joshua to appoint him to be their new leader. The Israelite people obeyed Joshua, and they obeyed all the commands that Yahweh had given to Moses to tell to the Israelite people.

Why did the people of Israel listen to Joshua and do what Yahweh had commanded Moses?

The people of Israel listened to Joshua because Joshua was full of the spirit of wisdom, and Moses had laid his hands on him.

Deuteronomy 34:10**ULT**

¹⁰ There has not arisen a prophet since in Israel like Moses, whom Yahweh knew face to face.

UST

¹⁰ Since the time that Moses lived, there has never been a prophet in Israel like him, for Yahweh spoke with him face to face.

How was Moses known by Yahweh?

Yahweh knew Moses face to face.

Has there ever been a prophet like Moses in Israel? (vv10-12)

There has never been any prophet like Moses in all of Israel.

Deuteronomy 34:11**ULT**

¹¹ There has never been any prophet like him in all the signs and wonders that Yahweh sent him to do in the land of Egypt, to Pharaoh, and to all his servants, and to all his land.

UST

¹¹ No other prophet has performed all the kinds of powerful miracles that Yahweh caused him to do against Pharaoh, king of Egypt, against all his servants, and against the people of Egypt.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 34:12**ULT**

¹² There has never been any prophet like him in all the great, fearsome deeds that Moses did in the sight of all Israel.

UST

¹² No other prophet has been able to perform all the great and terrifying deeds that Moses performed while all the Israelites watched.

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