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Deuteronomy

Deuteronomy 1

Deuteronomy 1:1

ULT

¹ These {are} the words that Moses spoke to all Israel across the Jordan in the wilderness, in the Arabah opposite Suph, between Paran and between Tophel and Laban and Hazeroth and Di Zahab.

UST

¹ In this book are speeches that Moses said to all the Israelites. He spoke to them after they had set up their tents east of the Jordan River. They were in the desert plain along the Jordan near a place named Suph. Suph is 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} 11 days from Horeb by the way of Mount Seir to Kadesh Barnea.)

UST

² It usually takes 11 days to walk from Mount Sinai to Kadesh Barnea. People go by way of the hilly area called Edom.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 1:3**ULT**

³ And it happened, in the fortieth year, in the eleventh month, on {day} one of the month, Moses spoke to the sons of Israel according to all that Yahweh commanded him concerning them,

UST

³ Forty years had passed since the Israelites had left Egypt, and it was the first day of the eleventh month. Moses told the Israelite people everything that Yahweh had commanded him to tell them.

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 after he defeated Sihon the king of the Amorites, who lived in Heshbon, and Og the king of Bashan, who lived in Ashtaroth in Edrei.

UST

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

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 1:5**ULT**

⁵ Across the Jordan, in the land of Moab, Moses began explaining this law, saying,

UST

⁵ The people were in Moab, on the east side of the Jordan River. There, Moses explained to them God's instructions, saying:

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 1:6**ULT**

⁶ "Yahweh our God spoke to us at Horeb, saying, 'Too long you have stayed in this mountain.

UST

⁶ "Yahweh our God said to our ancestors at Mount Sinai, 'You have stayed for a very long time at the base of this mountain.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 1:7**ULT**

⁷ Turn and journey yourselves and go {to} the hill {country} of the Amorites and to all their neighbors in the Arabah {and} in the hill {country} and in the lowland and in the Negev and by the shore of the sea, {to} the land of the Canaanites and in Lebanon as far as the great river, the river Euphrates.

UST

⁷ Now you must continue traveling. Go to the hilly area where the Amor people group live and go to the nearby areas. These areas include the plain along the Jordan, the hilly area, the smaller hills in the west, the wilderness in the south, the Mediterranean seacoast, the land of Canaan, 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 your faces. Go and possess the land that Yahweh swore to your fathers—to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob—to give to them and to their seed after them.'

UST

⁸ Be assured that I will give that land to you. I, Yahweh, promised the land to your ancestors Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob. I promised that I would give it to them and to their descendants. So 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 And I said to you at that time, saying, 'I am not able to carry you by myself.

UST

⁹ I said to your families when we were at Mount Sinai; I am not able to govern all of you by myself.

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

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

Deuteronomy 1:10**ULT**

¹⁰ Yahweh your God has multiplied you, and behold, you {are} today as the stars of the heavens in number.

UST

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

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 1:11**ULT**

¹¹ Yahweh, the God of your fathers, may he add to you, as you {are}, a thousand times, and may he bless you, just as he spoke to you!

UST

¹¹ I pray that Yahweh, the God whom our ancestors worshiped, will cause us to become a great many times more numerous than we are now. I pray that he will bless us just as he promised to do.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 1:12**ULT**

¹² How will I carry by myself your loads and your burdens and your disputes?

UST

¹² But I cannot solve all of your problems by myself.

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 wise and understanding and well-known men from your tribes, and I will appoint them as your heads.'

UST

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

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 1:14**ULT**

¹⁴ And you answered me and said, 'The thing that you have spoken {is} good to do.'

UST

¹⁴ Your parents replied, 'We agree with what you have suggested.'

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 1:15**ULT**

¹⁵ And I took the heads of your tribes—wise and well-known men—and gave them {as} heads over you, leaders of thousands and leaders of hundreds and leaders of fifties and leaders of tens and officials for your tribes.

UST

¹⁵ So I took the wise men, whom people respected and whom your families chose from your tribes, and I appointed them to be your leaders. I appointed some to lead groups of 1,000 people, some to lead groups of 100 people, some to lead groups of 50 people, and some to lead groups of 10 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 in between your brothers, and you should judge righteously between a man and between his brother, and between the foreigner with him.'

UST

¹⁶ Then, I instructed your leaders, 'Listen when your people are quarreling. Consider each case fairly, including cases where Israelites quarrel with each other. Also consider cases where an Israelite quarrels with someone from another land who lives 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 Do not recognize a face in the judgment; you shall hear as the small and the great alike. Do not be afraid from the face of a man, for the judgment, it {belongs} to God. And the matter which is too difficult for you, you shall bring to me, and I shall hear it.'

UST

¹⁷ You must not favor one person more than another. 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 you are not sure what to decide when people are quarreling, tell me, and I will decide.'

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 1:18**ULT**

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

UST

¹⁸ At that time I also told you other things that you should do.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 1:19**ULT**

¹⁹ And we journeyed 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 as Yahweh our God told us to do, we left Mount Sinai. We went through a huge and dangerous wilderness. The wilderness was on the road to the hilly area 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 parents, 'You have now come to the hilly area where the Amor people group lives. This is part of the area that Yahweh our God 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 your faces; go up, take possession, as Yahweh, the God of your fathers, has spoken to you. You shall not be afraid, and you shall not be discouraged.'

UST

²¹ Be assured that Yahweh our God is giving this land to us. So go and occupy it as he commanded. Yahweh is the God whom your ancestors worshiped. Do not be at all afraid.'

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 1:22**ULT**

²² And you drew near to me, all of you, and you said, 'Let us send men before our faces, and they shall spy out the land for us, and return to us a word {about} the way which we will go up into and the cities which we will come to.'

UST

²² But your fathers all came to me and said, 'Before we go, we should first send some men to explore the land. Then, 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 And the word was good in my eyes, and I took from you 12 men, one man per tribe.

UST

²³ I thought that what they had planned was good, so I chose 12 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 And they turned and went up into the hill {country}, and they came to the Valley of Eshkol, and scouted it.

UST

²⁴ They went into the hilly area as far as the Eshkol Valley, and they explored the area.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 1:25**ULT**

²⁵ And they took with their hands from the fruit of the land and brought {it} down to us. And they returned to us a word and said, 'Good {is} the 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 was 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 you were not willing to go up, and you rebelled {against} the mouth of Yahweh your God.

UST

²⁶ But your parents refused to go and conquer that land. They rebelled against what Yahweh our God had commanded them to do.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 1:27**ULT**

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

UST

²⁷ Your parents stayed in their tents and complained. They said, 'Yahweh hates us. So he has brought us here from Egypt 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 up? Our brothers have caused our heart to melt, saying, "The people {are} greater and taller than us, {with} cities great and fortified to the heavens; and also, we have seen the sons of the Anakites there."

UST

²⁸ We do not want to go there. The men whom we sent there have caused us to become very afraid. They have told us that the people there are stronger and bigger than we are. They said that there are very high walls around their towns. They also said that they saw 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 And I said to you, 'Do not be terrified, and do not be afraid of them.'

UST

²⁹ Then I said to your fathers, 'Do not be even a little bit afraid 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 your faces, he will fight for you like everything that he did for you in Egypt before your eyes

UST

³⁰ Yahweh our God will protect you. He will fight for you just as you saw him do for you in Egypt

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 1:31**ULT**

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

UST

³¹ and in the wilderness. You saw how he brought you safely here, just like a man holds and protects his son.'

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 1:32**ULT**

³² But in this word you did not believe Yahweh your God,

UST

³² Your parents would not trust Yahweh our God, even though I reminded them of what Yahweh had done.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 1:33**ULT**

³³ the one who went before your faces on the way to seek out a place for you to make your camp, in fire {by} night to show you the way that you should go in it, and in a cloud {by} day.

UST

³³ He always went ahead of them while they traveled in the desert. He showed them places to set up their tents. He directed them with fire during the night and with cloud during the day.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 1:34**ULT**

³⁴ And Yahweh heard the sound of your words and was angry. And he swore, saying,

UST

³⁴ Yahweh heard your parents complaining, 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 'Not {one} man of these men of this evil generation shall see the good land that I swore to give to your fathers

UST

³⁵⁻³⁶ 'Only 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. None of the rest of these evil people will ever see that good land that I solemnly promised to give to your ancestors.'

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 1:36**ULT**

³⁶ except Caleb son of Jephunneh; he himself shall see it. And to him I will give the land that he has stepped on, and to his sons, because {he is} wholly after Yahweh.'

UST

³⁵⁻³⁶ 'Only 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. None of the rest of these evil people will ever see that good land that 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 fathers did, Yahweh was also angry with me. He said to me, 'You also will not enter that land.'

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 1:38**ULT**

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

UST

³⁸ Joshua son of Nun, who is your helper, will enter it. Support him, because he will enable the 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 And your children that you said would be plunder, and your sons who today do not know good or evil—they will go in there. And to them I will give it, and they will possess it.

UST

³⁹ Yahweh continued to declare, 'You said that your enemies would capture your children, {but this did not happen}. Your children are very young, so they do not yet know what is good and what is evil. However, they are the ones who will enter that land. I will give them the land, and they will 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 you, turn yourselves and journey into the wilderness on the way to the Sea of Reeds.'

UST

⁴⁰ As for you, turn around and go back into the desert, toward the Red Sea.'

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 1:41**ULT**

⁴¹ And you answered and said to me, 'We have sinned against Yahweh. We ourselves shall go up and fight, according to all that Yahweh our God has commanded us.' And {every} man girded on his weapons of war and regarded it as easy to go up to the hill {country}.

UST

⁴¹ Then your fathers replied, 'We have sinned by disobeying Yahweh. So we will go and attack the people who live in that land, just as Yahweh our God has told us to do.' Then each of their men equipped himself with weapons. They thought that it would be easy to invade the hill country.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 1:42**ULT**

⁴² And Yahweh said to me, 'Say to them, "Do not go up and do not fight, and you will not be defeated before the face of your enemies, because I will not be among you."'

UST

⁴² But Yahweh said to me, 'Tell them not to go there and attack those people, because I will not help them. If they go, their enemy will certainly defeat them.'

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 1:43**ULT**

⁴³ And I spoke to you, but you did not listen. And you rebelled against the mouth of Yahweh, and you were arrogant and went up to the hill {country}.

UST

⁴³ So I said that to your fathers, but they did not obey what I said. They again rebelled against what Yahweh commanded them to do. Their soldiers proudly marched up into that hilly area.

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 And the Amorites, who lived in that hill {country}, came out against you and chased you like the bees do and caused you to scatter 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. They attacked those soldiers. They chased our soldiers like a swarm of bees would chase a person. The Amor people pursued your ancestors' soldiers south from the Edom area and defeated them at the city of Hormah.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 1:45**ULT**

⁴⁵ And you returned and wept before the face of Yahweh; but Yahweh did not listen to your voice, and he did not give ear to you.

UST

⁴⁵ So your fathers went back to Kadesh Barnea and cried out to request Yahweh to help them, but 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, according to 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 And we turned and journeyed into the wilderness on the way to the Sea of Reeds, as Yahweh had spoken to me. And we went around Mount Seir many days.

UST

¹ Then we turned around and went through the desert toward the Red Sea as Yahweh told us to do. 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 And Yahweh spoke to me, saying,

UST

² Then Yahweh said to me,

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 2:3

ULT

³ Too long you have been going around this mountain. Turn yourselves northward.

UST

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

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 2:4**ULT**

⁴ And command the people, saying, "You will be crossing the border of your brothers, the sons of Esau, who live in Seir. And they will be afraid of you. And you shall be exceedingly on guard.

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}, as you are. They live in the hilly area of Edom. They will be afraid of you, but be very careful.

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 You shall not fight them, for I will not give to you from their land, {even} as {little} as a step of the sole of a foot, for I have given Mount Seir to Esau {as} a possession.

UST

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

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 2:6**ULT**

⁶ You will buy food from them with money, and you will eat. And also, you will purchase water from them with money, and you will 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. These 40 years Yahweh your God {has been} with you. You have not lacked a thing.”

UST

⁷ Remember 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. Yahweh our God has protected you during those 40 years, and as a result you have had everything that you needed.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 2:8**ULT**

⁸ And we passed by beyond our brothers, the sons of Esau who live in Seir, from the Arabah road, from Elath and from Ezion Geber. And we turned and passed by the way of the wilderness of Moab.

UST

⁸ So we continued to travel. We avoided going through the hilly area where the descendants of Esau, who are also descendants of Isaac, live. We turned from the road {that goes along} the plain of the Jordan valley, and {comes up} from the city of Elath and the city of Ezion Geber. We traveled along the wilderness road of the kingdom of Moab.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 2:9**ULT**

⁹ And Yahweh said to me, ‘You shall not trouble Moab, and you shall not fight against them {in} battle, for I will not give to you from its land a possession, because I have given Ar to the sons of Lot, {as} a 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. The reason is that they are descendants of Lot. I gave them the city of Ar, {their capital, and the other areas in that country}.’

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 Emites lived there previously, a people great and numerous and tall as the Anakites.

UST

¹⁰ (A people group called the Emim formerly lived there. They were as populous and tall as the descendants of Anak.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 2:11**ULT**

¹¹ They {are} also considered Raphaites, like the Anakites; but the Moabites call them Emites.

UST

¹¹ People also call them and the descendants of Anak the Rapha people. The people of Moab call them Emim.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 2:12**ULT**

¹² And the Horites lived in Seir previously, and the sons of Esau dispossessed them. And they destroyed them from their faces 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 expelled them. They 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, for yourselves, rise up and cross the brook Zered.' And we crossed the brook Zered.

UST

¹³ Then we crossed the Zered Gorge, as Yahweh told us to do.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 2:14**ULT**

¹⁴ And the days which we came from Kadesh Barnea until we crossed the brook Zered {were} 38 years, until all the generation of the men of war were finished from among the camp, as Yahweh had sworn to them.

UST

¹⁴ It had been 38 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 And also, the hand of Yahweh was against them, to destroy them from among the camp until they came to an end.

UST

¹⁵ And, Yahweh opposed them, so he caused them to die.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 2:16**ULT**

¹⁶ And it happened, when all the men of war came to an end, dying from among the people,

UST

¹⁶ After all the men who had been old enough to fight 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 then 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 passing over today the border of Moab, Ar.

UST

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

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 2:19**ULT**

¹⁹ And you will approach on the other side of the sons of Ammon. You shall not trouble them and you shall not fight them, for I will not give to you from the land of the sons of Ammon {as} a possession, because I have given it to the sons of Lot {as} a possession.”

UST

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. The reason is that 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 (Also, {it} is regarded as a land of the Raphaites. The Raphaites lived there previously—but the Ammonites call them Zamzummites—

UST

²⁰ (People also call that region the land of the Rapha people, 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 great and numerous and tall as the Anakites. But Yahweh destroyed them before their faces, and they dispossessed them and lived in their place,

UST

²¹ They were as populous and tall as the descendants of Anak. But Yahweh caused them to die when the Ammon people group expelled them and settled in their land.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 2:22**ULT**

²² just as he did for the sons of Esau, who live in Seir, when he destroyed the Horites from before their faces, and they dispossessed them and have lived in their place until this day.

UST

²² Yahweh had done the same thing for the descendants of Esau who live in the hilly area of Edom. He caused the Hor people group to die when the Edom people group expelled them and settled in their land. The Edom people group still lives there.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 2:23**ULT**

²³ And the Avvites who lived in villages as far as Gaza—the Caphtorites, who came from Caphtor, destroyed them and lived in their place.)

UST

²³ As for the Av people group, they lived in towns as far {south} as Gaza. The Caphtor people group from the island of Crete killed the Av people group and settled in their land.)

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 2:24**ULT**

²⁴ “Rise up, journey, and pass through the Valley of Arnon. Look, I have given into your hand Sihon the Amorite, king of Heshbon, and his land. Begin to possess {it}, and fight against him in battle.

UST

²⁴ After we had gone through the region of Moab, Yahweh said to us, ‘Now cross the Arnon River. Be assured that I will help you to defeat the army of Sihon. Sihon is 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 This day I will begin to put the fear of you and the terror of you on the faces of the peoples under all the heavens, that they might hear a report of you and might quake and tremble from your face.'

UST

²⁵ Today I will begin to frighten everyone, everywhere on your behalf. Then, everyone who hears about you will be very afraid of you.'

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

UST

²⁶ Then I sent messengers to go from where we were in the Desert of Kedemoth to King Sihon at Heshbon. {I told them to give} this peaceful message:

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 I will pass through your land on the road. On the road I will go. I will not turn right or 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, and I will eat. And give to me water for money, and I will drink. Only let me pass through on my feet

UST

²⁸ We will pay you for food and water. We want only to walk through your land

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 sons of Esau who live in Seir, and the Moabites who live in Ar, did for me, until I cross the Jordan into the land that Yahweh our God is giving to 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 who live in the city of Ar did {for us when they allowed us to go through their land.}'

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 2:30**ULT**

³⁰ But Sihon, king of Heshbon, was not willing to let us pass by him, for Yahweh your God had hardened his spirit and strengthened his heart in order to give him into your hand, as this day.

UST

³⁰ But King Sihon who lived in Heshbon would not allow us to go through his country. That is because Yahweh our God caused him to be stubborn so that Yahweh could cause 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 And Yahweh said to me, 'Look, I have begun giving before your face Sihon and his land. Begin, possess, to possess his land.'

UST

³¹ Yahweh said to me, 'Be assured that I am starting 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 And Sihon came out against us, he and all his people, to the battle at Jahaz.

UST

³² Then Sihon and his soldiers marched out 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 And Yahweh our God gave him before our faces, and we struck him down and his son and all his people.

UST

³³ But Yahweh our God caused us to defeat them. We killed Sihon, his sons, and all his soldiers.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 2:34**ULT**

³⁴ And we captured all his cities at that time and devoted to destruction every city—men and the women and the children; we left no survivor.

UST

³⁴ We captured and destroyed all of King Sihon's cities. {We killed} the men, 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 We only plundered the cattle for ourselves, and the spoil of the cities that we had captured.

UST

³⁵ However, we did take the livestock and valuable things from the cities that we captured.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 2:36**ULT**

³⁶ From Aroer, which {is} on the lip of the Valley of Arnon, and {from} the city that {is} in the valley, and as far as Gilead, there was not a city that {was} too high for us. Yahweh our God gave the whole before our faces.

UST

³⁶ Yahweh our God caused us to capture all their towns from the city of 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 sons of Ammon that you did not approach, all the hand of the Jabbok River, and the cities of the hill {country}—and all Yahweh our God had commanded.

UST

³⁷ But we did not go near the area where the Ammon people group lives, the banks of the Jabbok River, the towns of the hilly area, 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 And we turned and went up the road of the Bashan. And Og, the king of the Bashan, came out against us, he and all his people, to the battle {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 And Yahweh said to me, 'You shall not fear him; for I have given him and all his people and his land into your hand. And 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 cause your army to defeat him and all his army. I will also cause you to capture all their land. Do to him what you did to Sihon, the king of the Amor people group, who ruled in the city of Heshbon.'

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 3:3

ULT

³ And Yahweh our God also gave Og the king of Bashan and all his people into our hands. And we struck him down until not a survivor of his remained.

UST

³ So Yahweh our God caused us to defeat King Og and his soldiers. 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 And we captured all his cities at that time. There was not a city of 60 cities that we did not take from them—all the region of Argob, the kingdom of Og in Bashan.

UST

⁴ There were 60 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 All these {were} inaccessible cities {with} high walls {and} gates and bars, 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 And we destroyed them, as we did to Sihon king of Heshbon, destroying every city—men, the women, and the children.

UST

⁶ We completely destroyed those cities, 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 plundered for ourselves.

UST

⁷ But from those cities we took for ourselves all the livestock and 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 And we took at that time the land from the hand of the two kings of the Amorites who {were} across the Jordan, from the Valley of Arnon to Mount Hermon

UST

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

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 3:9**ULT**

⁹ (The Sidonians call Hermon Sirion, and the Amorites call it Senir),

UST

⁹ (The people of Sidon city call that mountain Sirion. The Amor people group call it Senir.)

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 3:10**ULT**

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

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 3:11**ULT**

¹¹ (For only Og king of Bashan had remained from the remnant of the Raphaites. Behold, his couch {was} a couch of iron. {Is} it not in Rabbah, of the sons of Ammon? {It was} nine cubits long and four cubits wide, by the cubit of man.)

UST

¹¹ (Og was the last king who was a descendant of the Rapha people. His bed was made of iron. It was four meters long and two meters wide, according to the standard measurement. It was in the city of Rabbah in the region of Ammon.)

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 3:12**ULT**

¹² “And we took in possession this land at that time—from Aroer, that {is} by the Valley of 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. I also allotted to them some of the hilly areas 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 And the rest of Gilead and all Bashan, the kingdom of Og, I gave to half of the tribe of Manasseh. (All the region of Argob, to all Bashan. The same is called the land of the Raphaites.

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.” (People call the entire region of Bashan the land of the Rapha people.)

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 3:14**ULT**

¹⁴ Jair, son of Manasseh, took all the region of Argob as far as the border of the Geshurites and the Maacathites. And he called it, Bashan, by his 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. {People still call them} the villages of Jair.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 3:15**ULT**

¹⁵ And to Machir I gave Gilead.

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 And to the Reubenites and to the Gadites I gave from Gilead and as far as the Valley of Arnon, the middle of the valley {as} a border, and as far as the Jabbok River, the border of the sons 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 the region of Ammon.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 3:17**ULT**

¹⁷ and the Arabah, and the Jordan {as} a border, from Kinnereth and to the Sea of Arabah (the Salt Sea) under the slopes of the 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 And I commanded you at that time, saying, 'Yahweh your God has given to you this land to possess it. The girded ones, all sons of bravery, will cross over before the faces of your brothers, the sons 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. So now, your soldiers must cross the Jordan River ahead of the men from the other Israelite tribes. {Help them to conquer the land}.

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 Only your women and your children, and your cattle (I know that you have much cattle), will stay in your cities that I have given to you

UST

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 causes your brothers, as you, to have rest. And they themselves will also possess the land that Yahweh your God is giving to them across the Jordan. And you will return, {every} man, to his inheritance that I have given to you.'

UST

²⁰ {Your men must help} your fellow Israelites until Yahweh enables them to live there peacefully. Help them 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 And I commanded Joshua at that time, saying, 'Your eyes have seen all that Yahweh your God has done to these two kings. Thus Yahweh will do to all the kingdoms that you will be passing through there.

UST

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 Do not fear them, for Yahweh your God, he himself will fight for you.'

UST

²² Do not be afraid of those people, because Yahweh our God is the one who will fight on your behalf.'

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 And I sought compassion from Yahweh at that time, saying,

UST

²³ At that time, I earnestly prayed,

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 3:24**ULT**

²⁴ 'My Lord Yahweh, you yourself have begun to show your servant your greatness and your strong hand. What god {is} in heaven or on earth that does works as your works and as your mighty deeds?

UST

²⁴ 'Yahweh our Lord, you have merely begun to show me that you are very great and that you can do powerful things. 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 cross, please, and see the good land that {is} across the Jordan, that good hill {country}, and Lebanon.'

UST

²⁵ So please allow me to cross the Jordan River. Let me see the good land on the west side, the good hilly area, 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, and he did not listen to me. And Yahweh said to me, 'Enough for you—you shall not continue speaking to me again on this matter.'

UST

²⁶ But Yahweh was angry with me because of what your parents had done. 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 the head of Pisgah and lift up your eyes westward and northward and southward, and eastward. And look with your eyes, for you will not cross this Jordan.

UST

²⁷ Climb up to the top of Mount Pisgah. Then, look toward the west, east, north, and south. 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 Moses 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 And instruct Joshua and encourage him and strengthen him, for he himself will cross over before the faces of this people, and he himself will cause them to inherit the land that you will see.'

UST

²⁸ But tell Joshua what he must do. Encourage him, because he is the one who will lead the people across the river. He will lead them to 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 And we stayed in the valley opposite Beth Peor.

UST

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 And now, Israel, listen to the statutes and to the ordinances that I will teach you to do so that you will live and go in and possess the land that Yahweh, the God of your fathers, is giving to 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. You will be able to 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 Do not add onto the word that I command you, and do not take from them, keeping the commandments of Yahweh your God that I am commanding you.

UST

² Do not change the words of my commands to 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 in Baal Peor; for all the men who walked after the Baal of Peor, Yahweh your God has destroyed them from your midst.

UST

³ You have seen what Yahweh did at Baal Peor. For example, when he destroyed all the people who worshiped {the god} Baal there.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 4:4**ULT**

⁴ And you who clung to Yahweh your God {are} alive, all of you, today.

UST

⁴ However, 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 ordinances, as Yahweh my God had commanded me, to do so in the midst of the land which you are going into to possess it.

UST

⁵ Never forget 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 And you shall keep and do {them}, for it {is} your wisdom and your understanding in the eyes of the peoples who will hear 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 rules, 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 which great nation {is there} that has a god near to it, as Yahweh our God {is} whenever we call on him?

UST

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

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 4:8**ULT**

⁸ And, which great nation {is there} that has statutes and ordinances {as} righteous as all this law that I am giving before your faces today?

UST

⁸ And there is no other nation, even if it is a great nation, which 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 guard yourself and guard your spirit strongly, lest you forget the things which your eyes have seen, and lest they retreat from your heart all the days of your life. But make them known to your sons and to the sons of your sons.

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 {The} day that you stood before the face of 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 will learn to fear me all the days that they live on the earth and may teach their sons.'

UST

¹⁰ Tell them about the day that your parents 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. I want them to teach their children to do the same.'

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 4:11**ULT**

¹¹ And you approached and stood under the mountain. And the mountain burned with fire to the heart of the heavens, {with} darkness, cloud, and gloom.

UST

¹¹ Tell your children that your parents 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 darkness, clouds, and 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 And Yahweh spoke to you from the midst of the fire. You heard the sound of the words, and you saw no form, only a voice.

UST

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

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 4:13**ULT**

¹³ And he declared to you his covenant that he commanded you to do, the Ten Words. And 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 And Yahweh commanded me at that time to teach you statutes and judgments for your doing of them in the land which you are going over to possess it.

UST

¹⁴ Yahweh told me to teach all the rules and regulations to you in order that you would obey them. 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 4:15**ULT**

¹⁵ And strongly guard your spirits—for you did not see any form on {the} day Yahweh spoke to you at Horeb from the midst of the fire—

UST

¹⁵ On the day that Yahweh spoke to your parents at Mount Sinai, they did not see him. So be very 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 lest you act corruptly, and make for yourselves an idol of the form of any image, a likeness of male or female,

UST

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

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 4:17**ULT**

¹⁷ a likeness of any animal that {is} on the earth, a likeness of any winged bird that flies in the heavens,

UST

¹⁷ any animal, any bird,

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 4:18**ULT**

¹⁸ a likeness of any creeping thing on the ground, a likeness of any fish that {is} in the water under the earth.

UST

¹⁸ any reptile, or any fish.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 4:19**ULT**

¹⁹ And lest you lift up your eyes to the heavens and see the sun and the moon and the stars—all the multitude of the heavens—and be seduced and bow down to them and serve them, those which Yahweh your God has allotted for all the peoples under all the heavens.

UST

¹⁹ Do 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.

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 And Yahweh has taken you and brought you out of the iron furnace, from Egypt, to be a people of his inheritance, as this day.

UST

²⁰ Yahweh has brought your families out of Egypt, where they were suffering as though they were in a blazing furnace. That is so 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 And Yahweh was angry with me on account of your words. And he swore I would not cross the Jordan, and I would not go in to the good land that Yahweh your God is giving to you {as} an inheritance.

UST

²¹ But Yahweh was angry with me because of what your parents did. He declared 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 But I will die in this land. I will not cross the Jordan, but you will cross 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 Guard yourselves, lest you forget the covenant of Yahweh your God, which he cut with you, and make for yourselves an idol {in} a form of anything that Yahweh your God has commanded you.

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 about which he has forbidden you.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 4:24**ULT**

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

UST

²⁴ This is 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 sons, and sons of sons, and you grow old in the land, and you act corruptly and make an idol {in} a form of anything, and do evil in the eyes of Yahweh your God, to cause him to be angry,

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. Yahweh says that is evil, and if you do that, you will cause him to become angry.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 4:26**ULT**

²⁶ I will make the heavens and the earth witness against you today, that you will surely perish quickly from the land to which you are going over the Jordan to possess it. You will not prolong {your} days on it, but you will be completely destroyed.

UST

²⁶ Today I am requesting everyone who is in heaven and earth to watch what you are doing. But {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, because Yahweh will get rid 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 And Yahweh will scatter you among the peoples, and you will be left men of {small} number in the nations, where Yahweh will drive you there.

UST

²⁷ Yahweh will force the rest of 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 And there you will serve gods, the work of the hands of man, wood and stone, which do not see and do not hear and do not eat and do not smell.

UST

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

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 4:29**ULT**

²⁹ And from there you will search for Yahweh your God, and you will find {him} when you seek him with all your heart and with all your spirit.

UST

²⁹ But while you are there, you will try to know Yahweh your God. If you try as much as you can 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 {there is} trouble for you, and you find all these things in the later days, then 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, and he will not destroy you, and he will not forget the covenant of your fathers that he swore to them.

UST

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

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 4:32**ULT**

³² But ask, please, about previous days, which were before your face, since the day that God created man on the earth, and from one end of the heavens and to the other end of the heavens, whether there has been a great thing as this, or {anything} like it been heard.

UST

³² Now please 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. Certainly, nothing has ever happened that is as great {as what Yahweh did for the Israelite people}.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 4:33**ULT**

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

UST

³³ Certainly no group has 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 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} as he did for us when he brought us out of Egypt. We saw Yahweh our God use his power when he performed miracles, sent plagues, terrified people, and fought the Egyptians for 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 You yourself have been shown, to know that Yahweh, he is the God; there is no other 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 From the heavens he caused you to hear his voice, to instruct you. And on the earth he caused you to see his great fire, and you heard his words from the midst of the fire.

UST

³⁶ He allowed your parents 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}. He spoke to them from the middle of the fire.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 4:37**ULT**

³⁷ And because he loved your fathers, then he chose his seed after him and brought you out from Egypt with his face, with his great power

UST

³⁷ Because he loved our ancestors, he chose you Israelites, who are their descendants. By his great power he brought us 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 to drive out from before your faces nations greater and mightier than you, to bring you in, to give to you their land {as} an inheritance, as this day.

UST

³⁸ {As they traveled}, he expelled the people of nations that were greater and more powerful than us. This is so that we could capture and live in their land, as we are about to do today.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 4:39**ULT**

³⁹ And you shall know today, and you shall return {it} to your heart, that Yahweh, he is God in the heavens above and on the earth beneath. There is none 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 And you shall keep his statutes and his commandments that I command you today, that it will go well for you and for your sons after you, and so that you may prolong {your} days in the land that Yahweh your God is giving to you all the days."

UST

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

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 4:41**ULT**

⁴¹ Then Moses selected three cities on the side of the Jordan toward the rising of {the} sun,

UST

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 for a manslayer to flee there, who killed his neighbor without knowing and he did not hate him previously before; and he shall flee to one of these cities, and he shall live:

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 there {because the people there would protect him}.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 4:43**ULT**

⁴³ Bezer in the wilderness in the land of the plain for the Reubenites, and 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, he chose the city of Golan in the region of Bashan.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 4:44**ULT**

⁴⁴ And this {is} the law that Moses placed before the faces of the sons of Israel.

UST

⁴⁴ Moses gave God's instructions 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 testimonies and the statutes and the judgments that Moses spoke to the sons of Israel when they came out from Egypt,

UST

⁴⁵ They included all the instructions, rules, and regulations that Moses told the Israelite people after they had come out of Egypt,

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 4:46**ULT**

⁴⁶ across the Jordan, in the valley opposite Beth Peor, in the land of Sihon king of the Amorites, who lived at Heshbon, whom Moses and the sons of Israel had struck down when they came out from 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 the city of 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—two kings of the Amorites who {were} on the side of the Jordan {toward} the rising of {the} sun,

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 from Aroer, that {is} on the lip of the Valley of Arnon, and as far as Mount Sion (that {is} Hermon),

UST

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 all the Arabah eastward across the Jordan, to the Sea of the Arabah, under the slopes of the Pisgah.

UST

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

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 5

Deuteronomy 5:1

ULT

¹ Then Moses called to all Israel and said to them, "Listen, Israel, to the statutes and the ordinances that I will speak in your ears today, and you shall learn them and be careful to do them.

UST

¹ Moses summoned all the people of Israel and said to them, "You Israelite people, listen to all the rules that I am commanding 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 cut 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 cut this covenant with our fathers, but with us, those of us here today, all who are living.

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 mountain, from the midst of the fire,

UST

⁴ Yahweh personally spoke with us 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 between you at that time, to reveal to you the word of Yahweh. For you were afraid of the face of the fire, and you did not go up the mountain—saying,

UST

⁵ On that day, I stood between Yahweh and your parents in order to tell them what he said. That was 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 from the land of Egypt, from 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 There shall not be for you other gods above my face.

UST

⁷ Do not worship any god other than me.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 5:8**ULT**

⁸ Do not make for yourself a carved figure of any likeness that {is} in heaven above or that {is} in the earth beneath or that {is} in the water under the earth.

UST

⁸ Do not carve yourself a figure that looks like anything in the sky or that is on the ground or that is in the water under the ground.

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 shall not bow down to them, and you shall not serve them, for I, Yahweh your God, {am} a jealous God. I visit the iniquity of the fathers on the sons, and on the third and on the fourth {generation} of the haters of me,

UST

⁹ Do not bow down to any idol or worship it, because I am Yahweh your God. I demand that you worship me only! I will punish the descendants of those who hate me. I will punish their descendants for three, even four {generations}.

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 But I show covenant faithfulness to thousands, to lovers of me and keepers of my commandments.

UST

¹⁰ However, I will faithfully 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 Do not lift up the name of Yahweh your God with emptiness, for Yahweh will not leave unpunished he who lifts up his name with emptiness.

UST

¹¹ {I am} Yahweh your God, so do not use my name for the wrong purpose. This is because I will certainly punish those who use my name for wrong purposes.

Who will Yahweh not hold guiltless?

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

Deuteronomy 5:12**ULT**

¹² Keeping the Sabbath day to sanctify it, as Yahweh your God commanded you.

UST

¹² Remember that the seventh day of every week belongs to me. This is according to what 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 Six days you may labor and do all your work.

UST

¹³ There are six days each week for you to do all your labor.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 5:14**ULT**

¹⁴ but the seventh day {is} a Sabbath for Yahweh your God. Do not do any work—you or your son or your daughter or your male servant or your female servant or your ox or your donkey or any of your cattle or a foreigner who {is} within your gates, so that your male servant and your female servant can rest like you.

UST

¹⁴ But the seventh day is a day of rest, a day dedicated to me, Yahweh your God. On that day you must not do any work. Neither you nor your sons, your daughters, your male or female slaves, your livestock, and not even foreigners who are living in your country may work.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 5:15**ULT**

¹⁵ And you shall remember that you were a slave 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 celebrate the Sabbath day.

UST

¹⁵ Remember that your families were slaves in Egypt. I, Yahweh your God, brought you out of there by my very great power. As a result, I am commanding that all of you must rest on the seventh day of 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, so that you may prolong your days and so that it may go well with you on the land that Yahweh your God is giving to you.

UST

¹⁶ Honor your father and your mother, just like I, Yahweh your God, am commanding you. Do this in order that you may live a long time in the land that I, Yahweh your God, will give you. Also do this 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 Do not murder.

UST

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 And do not commit adultery.

UST

¹⁸ Do not commit adultery with anyone.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 5:19

ULT

¹⁹ And do not steal.

UST

¹⁹ Do not steal anything.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 5:20

ULT

²⁰ And do not testify against your neighbor false testimony.

UST

²⁰ Do not tell lies about someone in court.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 5:21**ULT**

²¹ And do not desire the wife of your neighbor, and you shall not covet the house of your neighbor, his field, and his male servant and his female servant, his ox and his donkey and anything that {is} of your neighbor.

UST

²¹ Do not covet someone else's wife, someone else's house, someone else's field, someone else's male 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 great voice to all your assembly on the mountain in the midst of the fire, the cloud, and the gloom, and he did not add {more}. And he wrote them on two tablets of stone and gave them to me.

UST

²² Those are the commandments that Yahweh commanded your families. They were gathered there at {the bottom of} the mountain. Yahweh spoke with a very loud voice from the middle of the fire, and there were dark clouds {around the mountain}. He spoke only those Ten Commandments. 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 And it happened, when you heard the voice in the midst of the darkness, and the mountain was burning with fire, then you approached me—all the heads of your tribes and your elders.

UST

²³ Your parents heard Yahweh's voice when he spoke to them out of the darkness, while there was a big fire burning on the mountain. After that, their leaders came to me.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 5:24**ULT**

²⁴ And you said, 'Behold, Yahweh our God has shown us his glory and his greatness, and we have heard his voice from the midst of the fire. This day we have seen that God speaks to man, yet he lives.

UST

²⁴ {One of} them said, 'Listen to us! Yahweh our God showed us that he is very glorious and great 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 And now, why should we die? For this great fire will consume us if we continue anymore to hear the voice of Yahweh our God, and 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 {is there of} all flesh that has heard the voice of the living God speak from the midst of the fire like us and has lived?

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 You approach and listen to everything that Yahweh our God says, and speak to us everything that Yahweh our God says to you, and we will listen and obey.'

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 And Yahweh heard the sound of your words when you spoke to me. And Yahweh said to me, 'I have heard the sound of the words of this people that they spoke to you. All that they have spoken is good.

UST

²⁸ Yahweh heard your leaders say that. {When I went back up the mountain}, Yahweh said to me, 'I have heard what your leaders have said. 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 Who will give and have this heart in them, to fear me and keep all my commandments all the days, so that it will be well for them and for their sons forever?

UST

²⁹ I surely wish that they would always have awesome respect for me and obey all my commandments. I desire their worship so 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 yourselves 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 you, stand here by me, and I will tell you all the commandment and the statutes and the ordinances that you will teach them and they will do in the land that I am giving to them to possess it.'

UST

³¹ But {then,} you {come back up} here and stand near me. I will give you all the rules and decrees that I {want them to obey}. Then you can teach them to the people so 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 And you shall keep {them}, doing as Yahweh your God has commanded you. Do not turn aside, right nor 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. Be sure to obey his commandments.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 5:33**ULT**

³³ In all the ways that Yahweh your God has commanded you, you shall walk so that you might live, and goodness {might be} for you, and you might prolong {your} days in the land that you will possess.

UST

³³ Conduct your lives as Yahweh our God has commanded us to do. This is so that you may live a long time. Also, this is so that things may 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 And these {are} the commandments, the statutes, and the ordinances that Yahweh your God has commanded to teach you to do in the land which you are going over to possess it

UST

¹ These are the commandments, 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 will fear Yahweh your God, to keep all his statutes and his commandments that I am commanding you and your son and the son of your son, all the days of your life, and so that your days will be prolonged.

UST

² He wants you to honor him. He wants you and your descendants to always obey all these rules and regulations that I am giving to you. This is so 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 And you shall listen, Israel, and carefully do, that it will go well for you, and that you will greatly multiply, as Yahweh, the God of your fathers spoke 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. Also, 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 {is} our God; Yahweh {is} one.

UST

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

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 6:5**ULT**

⁵ And you shall love Yahweh your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength.

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 will be on your heart.

UST

⁶ Remember 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 shall diligently teach them to your sons and speak about them when you sit in your house and when you walk on the road and when you lie down and when you get up.

UST

⁷ Teach them to your children again and again. Talk about them {at every opportunity,} such as when you are in your houses and when you are walking outside. Talk about them also when you are resting and when you are working.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 6:8**ULT**

⁸ And you shall tie them as a sign on your hand. And they will be as frontlets between your eyes.

UST

⁸ {Write copies of them} and tie them to your arms and foreheads {to help you to remember them}.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 6:9**ULT**

⁹ And you shall 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 And it will happen that Yahweh your God will bring 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, 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, vineyards and olive trees that you did not plant. And 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. 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 from the land of Egypt, from the house of slavery.

UST

¹² be sure to remember 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 shall fear and him you shall serve and by his name you shall swear.

UST

¹³ You must deeply respect Yahweh our God, and you must worship him alone. When you make a solemn oath, say that he should punish you if you do not do what you have promised.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 6:14**ULT**

¹⁴ Do not go after other gods, the gods of the peoples who surround you,

UST

¹⁴ You must not worship any other gods, the gods that the people groups who live near you worship.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 6:15**ULT**

¹⁵ for Yahweh your God in your midst {is} a jealous God, lest the nose of Yahweh your God burns against you, and he destroys you from the face of the earth.

UST

¹⁵ This is because Yahweh our God, who has a special relationship with you, will not accept people who worship anyone or anything other than him. 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 Do 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, as your parents 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 shall surely keep the commandments of Yahweh your God and his testimonies 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 And you shall do the right and the good in the eyes of Yahweh, so that it may be well for you, and 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 thrust away all your enemies from before your faces, as Yahweh has spoken.

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 tomorrow, saying, 'What {are} the testimonies and the statutes and the ordinances 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 And you shall say to your son, 'We were slaves of Pharaoh in Egypt. And Yahweh brought us out from Egypt with a mighty hand.'

UST

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

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 6:22**ULT**

²² And Yahweh gave signs and wonders, great and terrible, 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 in order to bring us in, to give to us the land that he swore to our fathers.

UST

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

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 6:24**ULT**

²⁴ And Yahweh commanded us to do all these statutes, to fear Yahweh our God for good to us, all of the days, to keep us alive as this day.

UST

²⁴ And he commanded us to obey all these laws and to honor him. This is so that things would always go well with us and so that he would protect our nation, 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 And it will be righteousness to us, if we keep doing all these commandments before the face of Yahweh our God, as he has commanded us.'

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 which you are going into to possess it, then he will drive out many nations from before your face—the Hittites and the Girgashites and the Amorites and the Canaanites and the Perizzites and the Hivites and the Jebusites—seven nations greater and mightier than you,

UST

¹ Yahweh our God will take you into the land that you will soon enter and occupy. As you advance, he will expel these people groups that are more powerful and more numerous than you are. They 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 and Yahweh your God will give them before your face, and you shall strike them down, utterly destroying them. Do not cut with them a covenant, and do not show them favor.

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 And do not arrange marriages with them. Do not give your daughter to his son, and you shall not take his daughter for your son.

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 son from after me, and they will serve other gods. And the nose of Yahweh will burn 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 Thus you shall do to them: You shall break down their altars and smash their pillars and cut their Asherah poles to pieces and burn their idols in the fire.

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 sacred nation for Yahweh your God. Yahweh your God has chosen you to be a people for his possession, above all the 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 loved you and chose you, not {that} you {were} more numerous over all the nations, for you {were} the fewest of all the peoples,

UST

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

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 7:8**ULT**

⁸ but Yahweh loves you, and he kept the oath that he had sworn to your fathers. Yahweh has brought you out with a mighty hand and redeemed you from the house of slavery, 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 why 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 And you shall know that Yahweh your God, he {is} God, the faithful God, who keeps covenants and faithfulness for 1, 000 generations with those who love him and keep his commandments,

UST

⁹ So remember that Yahweh is our God. He is faithful to us. He will do what he agreed to do. He will faithfully love forever 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 and he repays those who hate him to his face, to destroy him. He will not delay with him who 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 And you shall keep the commandments and the statutes and the ordinances that I command you today, to 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 And it will be, on account of you listening to these regulations and keeping and doing them, then Yahweh your God will keep for 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. He will also 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 And he will love you and bless you and multiply you. And he will bless the fruit of your womb and the fruit of your ground—your grain and your new wine and your oil, the increase of your cattle and the young of your flocks, on the land that he swore to your fathers to give to you.

UST

¹³ He will love you and bless you. He will enable you to have many children. He will bless your fields. As a result, 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 the peoples. There will not be a barren 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 And Yahweh will take away from you all sickness. And all of the evil diseases of Egypt that you have known, he will not put them on you, and he will set them on all those who hate you.

UST

¹⁵ And Yahweh will protect you from all illnesses. He will not make you become 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 And you shall consume all the peoples whom Yahweh your God will give to you; your eye shall not pity them. And do not serve their gods, for it will be a snare 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. 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 shall surely remember 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 trials that your eyes saw, and the signs and the wonders and the mighty hand and the outstretched arm by which Yahweh your God brought you out. Thus Yahweh your God will do to all the peoples of whom you are afraid of their faces.

UST

¹⁹ Remember the terrible plagues that your parents saw him inflict on the people of Egypt. Remember the various kinds of miracles that God did in order to bring your families 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 And also, Yahweh your God will send the hornet against them until those who are left and who hide themselves perish from your face.

UST

²⁰ Furthermore, he will cause them to become terrified. 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 Do not be frightened from their faces, 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 And Yahweh your God will drive out those nations from your face little {by} little. You will not be able to finish them quickly, lest the animals of the field multiply against you.

UST

²² He will gradually expel those people groups. You should not {try to} expel all of them at one time. 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 And Yahweh your God will give them before your faces. And he will confuse them {with} great confusion, 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 And he will give their kings into your hand, and you will cause their name to perish from under the heavens. No man will stand before your face, 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 shall burn idols of their gods in fire—do not covet silver and gold on them and take {it} for yourself, lest you 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. If you take them for yourselves, they will be like a trap {to cause you to disobey God}. 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 And do not bring an abomination to your house and become banned like it. You shall utterly detest it, and you shall utterly abhor it, for it {is} devoted to destruction.

UST

²⁶ You must not bring any of those disgusting idols into your houses, because if you do that, God will curse you as 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 shall keep doing all the commands that I am commanding 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 and you will become very numerous. 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 And you shall remember all the way that Yahweh your God has led you these 40 years in the wilderness so that he might humble you, to test you to know what {was} in your heart, if you would keep his commandments {or} not.

UST

² And think about how Yahweh our God led us as we traveled through the desert during these past 40 years. He {caused you to have many problems}. This was to cause you to realize that you needed to trust him and not trust in yourselves. He also 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 And he humbled you and caused you to hunger and fed you manna, which you had not known and your fathers had not known, so that he might make you know that man does not live upon bread alone, but upon everything coming out of the mouth of Yahweh the man lives.

UST

³ So he caused you to have problems. He allowed you to become hungry. Then he gave you manna, {food from heaven}, food that you and your parents 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. This 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 from upon you, and your feet did not swell up these 40 years.

UST

⁴ During those 40 years, our clothes did not wear out. Also, 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 And you shall know with your heart, how, as a man instructs his son, Yahweh your God instructs you.

UST

⁵ Remember 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 And you shall keep the commandments of Yahweh your God, to walk in his ways and to fear him.

UST

⁶ So obey the commandments of Yahweh our God. 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, fountains and springs coming out into valleys and into hills;

UST

⁷ He is about to bring you into a good land. It 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 and vines and fig trees and pomegranates, a land of olive oil and honey;

UST

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

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 8:9**ULT**

⁹ a land where you will eat bread in it not with poverty, you will not lack anything in it; a land where its stones {are} iron, and from the hills you may dig copper.

UST

⁹ It is a land where there will be plenty of food for you. You will have everything you need. It is 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 And you will eat and be full, and you will bless Yahweh your God for the good land that he has given to you.

UST

¹⁰ {Every day} you will eat until your stomachs are full. 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 Guard yourself lest you forget Yahweh your God by failing to keep his commandments and his ordinances and his 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 lest you eat and are satisfied, and you build good houses and live {in them},

UST

¹² Do this even when your stomachs are full {every day}, and when you have built good houses and are living in them.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 8:13**ULT**

¹³ and your herds and your flocks multiply, and your silver and gold multiply for you, and all that you have multiplies,

UST

¹³ One day the number of your cattle and sheep will greatly increase. You will accumulate a large amount of silver and gold. The amount of all your other possessions will also greatly increase.

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 and your heart is lifted up and you forget Yahweh your God, who brought you out from the land of Egypt, from the house of slavery.

UST

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

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 8:15**ULT**

¹⁵ He led you in the great and terrible wilderness, fiery serpent and scorpion and thirsty ground where there was no water, he brought out water for you from the rock of flint.

UST

¹⁵ Remember that he guided them while they traveled through that huge and terrible desert. There were poisonous snakes and scorpions there. And remember that the ground was very dry and there was no water. In spite of that, 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 manna in the wilderness that your fathers had not known, so that he might humble you and so that he might test you, to do you good in your end.

UST

¹⁶ Remember that in that desert he gave your families manna to eat. Manna was food that they had never eaten before. He did this so they would realize that they needed to trust him and not themselves. And he wanted to test them to find out if they would obey him. This is so that he could do many good things for them {when those difficulties ended}.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 8:17**ULT**

¹⁷ And you will say in your heart, 'My power and the might of my hand made for me this wealth.'

UST

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

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 8:18**ULT**

¹⁸ And you shall remember Yahweh your God, for he is the one who gives to you power to make wealth so that he may establish his covenant that he swore to your fathers, as this day.

UST

¹⁸ Remember 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 And it will happen, if forgetting, you forget Yahweh your God and walk after other gods and serve them and bow down to them, I testify against you today that perishing, you will perish.

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¹⁹ Today I solemnly warn you. If you forget Yahweh our God and start to worship and serve other gods, then 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 causing to perish from before your faces, thus you will perish, because you would not listen to the voice of Yahweh your God.

UST

²⁰ If you do not obey Yahweh our God, then 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 crossing the Jordan today to go in to dispossess nations greater and mightier than you, {with} cities great and fortified to the heavens,

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 people groups that are more numerous and more powerful than you are. In that land, there are large cities that have very high walls {around them}. The walls are so high that they {seem to} extend up to the sky.

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 Anakites, whom you yourself know, and you yourself have heard, 'Who can stand before the faces of the sons of Anak?'

UST

² The people in the land are strong and tall. Some of them 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 And you shall know today that Yahweh your God, he is the one who goes over before your face, a devouring fire; he himself will destroy them, and he himself will subdue them before your face. And you will drive them out and exterminate them quickly, as Yahweh has spoken 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. This is just as 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 You shall not say in your heart, when Yahweh your God has thrust them out from before your face, saying, 'In my righteousness Yahweh has brought me in to possess this land,' but in the wickedness of these nations, Yahweh is driving them out from before your face.

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.' Rather, it is because the people in that land are wicked that Yahweh will drive them out as you advance.

What did Moses tell the people not to think in 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 Not in your righteousness or in the uprightness of your heart are you going in to possess their land, but in the wickedness of these nations, Yahweh your God is driving them out from your face, and so that Yahweh may establish the word that he swore to your fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob.

UST

⁵ {Again}, it is not because you are righteous or do things that are righteous that you will inhabit that land. It is because those people groups are very wicked that Yahweh our God will expel them as you advance. It is also 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 And you shall know that not in your righteousness is Yahweh your God giving to you this good land to possess, for you {are} a people hard of neck.

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 this because you are a very stubborn people.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 9:7**ULT**

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

UST

⁷ "Never forget what your parents 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 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 And at Horeb you provoked Yahweh to anger, and Yahweh was angry with you to destroy you.

UST

⁸ Even at Mount Sinai your parents 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 to the mountain to take the tablets of stone, the tablets of the covenant that Yahweh cut with you, and I stayed on the mountain 40 days and 40 nights, bread I did not eat and water I did not drink.

UST

⁹ I climbed the mountain to receive from him the stone tablets on which he had written the Ten Commandments. I stayed there 40 days and nights. 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 And Yahweh gave to me the two tablets of stone written with the finger of God. And on them {was} according to all the words that Yahweh spoke with you on the mountain from the midst 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 parents from the fire on that mountain. This was when they were gathered together {at the bottom of the mountain}.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 9:11**ULT**

¹¹ And it happened, at the end of 40 days and 40 nights, Yahweh gave to me the two tablets of stone, the tablets of the covenant.

UST

¹¹ At the end of those 40 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 And Yahweh said to me, 'Get up, go down quickly from here, for your people, whom you brought out from Egypt, have become corrupted. They have quickly turned aside from 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! This is 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 metal 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 And Yahweh said to me, saying, 'I have seen this people, and behold: it {is} a people hard of neck.

UST

¹³ Then Yahweh said to me, 'I have been watching these people. 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 Leave me be, and I will destroy them and blot out their name from under the heavens, and I will make 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 powerful and numerous than them.'

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 9:15**ULT**

¹⁵ And I turned and came down from the mountain, and the mountain was burning with the fire. And the two tablets of the covenant {were} in my two hands.

UST

¹⁵ So I turned and went down the mountain. In my hands I carried 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 And I looked, and behold, you had sinned against Yahweh your God. You had made for yourselves a cast-image calf. You had quickly turned aside from the path that Yahweh had commanded you.

UST

¹⁶ I looked, and I was shocked to see that your parents 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 figure of a calf {to worship}.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 9:17**ULT**

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

UST

¹⁷ I lifted up those two stone tablets and threw them {on the ground}. They broke into pieces. I did this while they were watching.

**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 And I prostrated myself before the face of Yahweh as before, 40 days and 40 nights. Bread I did not eat and water I did not drink, because of all your sin that you had committed, in doing evil in the eyes of Yahweh, to provoke him to anger.

UST

¹⁸ Then I prostrated myself on the ground in Yahweh's presence as I had done before. I did not eat or drink anything for 40 days and nights. I did that because your parents 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 face of the nose and the heat with which Yahweh was angry against you to destroy you. And Yahweh listened to me also that time.

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 And Yahweh was very angry against Aaron, to destroy him. And I interceded also for the sake of Aaron at that time.

UST

²⁰ Yahweh was also very angry with Aaron {for making that golden calf}. Yahweh 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 And I took your sin, the calf that you had made, and burned it in the fire and crushed it and ground well, until crushed to dust. And I threw its dust into the stream coming down from the mountain.

UST

²¹ Your parents had sinned {by requesting Aaron} to make {a metal figure of} a calf. So I took that figure and I melted it in a fire. Then, I 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 And at Taberah and at Massah and at Kibroth Hattaavah, you were provoking Yahweh to anger,

UST

²² Your parents 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 and when Yahweh sent you from Kadesh Barnea, saying, 'Go up and take possession of the land that I have given to you,' and you rebelled against the mouth of Yahweh your God, and you did not believe him, and you did not listen to his voice.

UST

²³ And when we were at Kadesh Barnea, Yahweh said to your parents, 'Go 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 I knew you.

UST

²⁴ Your parents rebelled against Yahweh from the first day that I knew them {in Egypt}.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 9:25**ULT**

²⁵ And I prostrated myself before the face of Yahweh 40 days and 40 nights, and I prostrated myself because Yahweh had said to destroy you.

UST

²⁵ So, as I said, I lay on the ground in Yahweh's presence for 40 days and nights because Yahweh had said that he would get rid of 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 And I prayed to Yahweh and said, 'My Lord Yahweh, do not destroy your people and your inheritance whom you have redeemed through your greatness, which you have brought out from 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 Remember your servants, Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob. Do not turn to the hardness of this people and to their wickedness and to 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 lest the land where you brought us out from should say, "From Yahweh not being able to bring them into the land that he spoke to them, or from his hatred of them he has brought them out to kill them in the wilderness."

UST

²⁸ If you destroy them, the people of Egypt will {hear about it}. They will 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 And they {are} your people and your inheritance, whom you brought out by your great power and by your outstretched arm.'

UST

²⁹ {Remember} 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 for yourself two tablets of stone like the first, and come up to me on the mountain, and make for yourself a box 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 And I will write on the tablets the words that were on the first tablets that you broke, and you will put them in the box.'

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 And I made a box of acacia wood, and I carved two tablets of stone like the first, and I went up the mountain, and the two tablets {were} in my hand.

UST

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

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 10:4**ULT**

⁴ And he wrote on the tablets, like the first writing, the Ten Words which Yahweh had spoken to you on the mountain from the midst of the fire on the day of the assembly. And 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 parents from the midst of the fire on the mountain. This was 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 And I turned and descended from the mountain and put the tablets in the box that I had made. And there they are, as Yahweh commanded me."

UST

⁵ {Carrying the tablets}, I 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 (And the sons of Israel journeyed from Beeroth Bene Jaakan to Moserah. There Aaron died, and there he was buried. And Eleazar, his son, was priest 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. His son Eleazar took his place and became the great 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. From there, they traveled 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 separated the tribe of Levi to carry the box of the covenant of Yahweh, to stand before the face of Yahweh to serve him, and to bless in his name, until this day.

UST

⁸ At that time, Yahweh chose the tribe of Levi to carry the sacred chest {that had the stone tablets}, stand in Yahweh's presence {in the sacred tent}, offer sacrifices, and 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 box and to stand before Yahweh?

Yahweh chose the Tribe of Levi to bear the box 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 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}. This is according to what he said they should do.)

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 10:10**ULT**

¹⁰ "And I stood on the mountain as the first days, 40 days and 40 nights. And Yahweh listened to me that time also. Yahweh was not willing to destroy you.

UST

¹⁰ Moses continued to speak: "I stayed on the mountain 40 days and nights, just like I did the first time. {I prayed to} Yahweh, and he answered my prayers again. He said that he would not destroy your families.

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 And Yahweh said to me, 'Get up, go before the faces of the people to journey. And they will go in and possess the land that I swore to their fathers to give to them.'

UST

¹¹ Then Yahweh said to me, 'Continue your journey and lead the people to occupy the land. This is 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 And now, Israel, what does Yahweh your God ask from you except to fear Yahweh your God, to walk in all his paths and to love him and to worship Yahweh your God with all your heart and with all your spirit,

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 good?

UST

¹³ and to obey all of his commandments which I am giving to you today. This is for your benefit.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 10:14**ULT**

¹⁴ Behold, to Yahweh your God belong the heavens and the heaven of heavens, the earth, and all that {is} in it.

UST

¹⁴ Be aware 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 to love them, and he chose you, their seed, after them, from all of the peoples, as this day.

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 And you shall the foreskin of your hearts, and do not harden your necks anymore.

UST

¹⁶ So be obedient 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 is the God of gods and the Lord of lords, the great God, the mighty one and the fearsome one, who does not lift up a face and does not take a bribe.

UST

¹⁷ Yahweh our God is greater than all gods, and he is greater than all rulers. He is very powerful. He is impartial, and he does not accept bribes.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 10:18**ULT**

¹⁸ He makes a judgment {for} the fatherless and widow, and he loves a foreigner, giving to him bread and clothing.

UST

¹⁸ He makes sure that orphans and widows are treated fairly. He loves even foreigners who live among us Israelite people. He gives them food and clothes.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 10:19**ULT**

¹⁹ And you shall love the foreigner, for you were foreigners in the land of Egypt.

UST

¹⁹ So you must love those foreigners too. This is 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 Yahweh your God you shall fear, him you shall serve, and to him you shall cling, and by his name you shall swear.

UST

²⁰ You must deeply respect Yahweh our God, and you must worship him alone. Be faithful to him. When you make a solemn oath, say that he should punish you if you do not do what you have promised.

(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. 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 70 souls. And now, Yahweh your God has made you like the stars of the heavens in number.

UST

²² When our ancestors, {Jacob and his family}, went down to Egypt, there were only 70 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 And you shall love Yahweh your God and keep his charge and his statutes and his ordinances and his commandments all of the days.

UST

¹ {Because of all that} Yahweh your God {has done for you}, you must love him. Also, you must 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 And know today, that not to your sons, who have not known and who have not seen, {is} the discipline of Yahweh your God, his greatness, his mighty hand, or his outstretched arm,

UST

² It was you and your parents, not your children, whom he personally instructed. So starting today, think about how you saw his greatness and amazing power.

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 and his signs and his 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. Think about what he did to the king of Egypt and everything there.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 11:4**ULT**

⁴ and what he did to the army of Egypt, to its horses and to its chariots, how he caused the water of the Sea of Reeds to flow over their faces in their pursuit after you, and Yahweh has destroyed them until this day,

UST

⁴ Your children did not see Yahweh destroy the army of Egypt, their horses, or their chariots. Your children did not see how Yahweh caused the Sea of Reeds to flood and drown the army of Egypt as they were coming after their ancestors. 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 and what he did for you in the wilderness until you came to this place,

UST

⁵ Your children did not see how Yahweh took care of their families in the desert before they all came to this place.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 11:6**ULT**

⁶ and what he had done to Dathan and to Abiram, the sons of Eliab son of Reuben, how the earth opened its mouth and swallowed them up and their houses and their tents and every living thing that {was} in their steps, in the midst of all Israel.

UST

⁶ Your children did not see what Yahweh did to the rebels, Dathan and Abiram, the two sons of Eliab from the tribe of Reuben. While all of your families were watching, the earth split open, and they fell into the opening and disappeared. Their families, their tents, their servants, and their animals also disappeared with them.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 11:7**ULT**

⁷ But your eyes have seen all the great work of Yahweh that he did.

UST

⁷ You and your parents 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 And you shall keep all the commandments that I am commanding you today so that you may be strong and go in and possess the land to which you are going over to possess it

UST

⁸ So obey all the commandments that I am giving you today. This is so that you will be strong and able to enter and occupy the land after crossing the river.

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 so that you may prolong days in the land that Yahweh swore to your fathers to give to them and to their seed, a land flowing {with} milk and honey.

UST

⁹ This is also so that you will live for a long time in that land. That land is the land that Yahweh solemnly promised your ancestors that he would give to them and to their descendants. The land is very fertile.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 11:10**ULT**

¹⁰ For the land, where you are going in to possess, is not like the land of Egypt, from where you came, where you sowed your seed and watered with your foot, as {for} a garden of herbs.

UST

¹⁰ It is not like the land of Egypt, where your ancestors lived. In Egypt, they struggled to plant seeds and water the plants.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 11:11**ULT**

¹¹ And the land which you are going over to possess it, {is} a land of hills and valleys, 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. In that land 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 where Yahweh your God cares for it. The eyes of Yahweh your God {are} always upon it, from the beginning of the year and 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 And it will happen, if listening, you will listen to my commandments that I am commanding 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 then I will give the rain of your land in its season, the former rain and the latter rain, and you will gather your grain and 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 And I will give grass in your fields for your cattle, and you will eat and be satisfied.

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 Guard yourselves, lest your heart is deceived, and you turn aside and serve other gods and bow down to them.

UST

¹⁶ I warn you to be careful. Otherwise, you might be tempted to stop worshiping Yahweh. And, you might start to worship other gods.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 11:17**ULT**

¹⁷ And the nose of Yahweh will burn against you. And he will restrain the heavens and there will be no rain, and the land will not give its fruit, and you will perish quickly from off the good land that Yahweh is giving to you.

UST

¹⁷ If that happens, Yahweh will become very angry with you. He will prevent any rain from falling. As a result, the crops will not grow. 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 And you shall place these words of mine on your heart and on your soul, and you shall bind them as a sign on your hand, and they will be as frontlets between your eyes.

UST

¹⁸ So, keep thinking about what Yahweh has commanded you. {Write copies of them} and tie them to your arms and foreheads {to help you to remember them}.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 11:19**ULT**

¹⁹ And you shall teach them to your sons, speaking about them when you sit in your house and when you walk on the road and when you lie down and when you get up.

UST

¹⁹ Teach them to your children again and again. Talk about them {at every opportunity,} such as when you are in your houses and when you are walking outside. Talk about them also when you are resting and when you are working.

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 And you shall write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates,

UST

²⁰ Write them on the doorposts of your houses and on your city gates.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 11:21**ULT**

²¹ so that your days and the days of your sons will be multiplied in the land that Yahweh swore to your fathers to give to them as the days of the heavens over the earth.

UST

²¹ Do this so that you and your descendants will live for a very long time in the land. It is the land that Yahweh promised to our ancestors that he would give to them. That land will belong to you and your descendants forever.

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 keeping, you will keep all these commandments that I am commanding you to do them, to love Yahweh your God, to walk in all his ways, and to cling to him,

UST

²² Faithfully obey what I am commanding you to do. Love Yahweh our God, conduct your lives as he wants you to, and be faithful to him. If you do this,

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 your faces, and you will dispossess nations larger and mightier than yourselves.

UST

²³ then Yahweh will drive out all the people groups {in that land} as you advance. These are 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 upon will be yours; from the wilderness to Lebanon, from the river, the Euphrates River, and to the western sea will be your border.

UST

²⁴ Everywhere you go, the land will be yours. Your territory will extend from the desert in the south to the Lebanon Mountains in the north. It will extend 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 your faces. Yahweh your God will give the fear of you and the terror of you upon the face of all the land that you tread on, as he has spoken to you.

UST

²⁵ Yahweh our God will cause all the people in that land to be very afraid of you. No people group will be able to stop you. It will be just as he promised.

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 am giving before your faces today a blessing and a curse:

UST

²⁶ Be aware that 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 listen to 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 listen to the commandments of Yahweh your God and 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, stop worshipping him and start worshipping 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 And it will happen, when Yahweh your God brings you into the land which you are going in to possess it, 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, this is what you must do. {Some of} you {must stand} on top of Mount Gerizim and proclaim what will cause Yahweh to bless you. {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 across the Jordan, following the road of the sun setting, in the land of the Canaanites who live in the Arabah, opposite Gilgal, beside the oaks of Moreh?

UST

³⁰ (Those two mountains are west of the Jordan River, west of the plain along the Jordan River, 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 crossing over the Jordan to go in to possess the land that Yahweh your God is giving to 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 start to live in that land,

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 And you will keep doing all the statutes and the ordinances that I set before your faces 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 ordinances that you shall keep doing in the land that Yahweh, the God of your fathers, has given to you to possess it, 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. Yahweh, the God whom our ancestors worshiped, is giving to you the land 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 shall surely destroy all the places that the nations that you shall dispossess them served their gods there, on the high mountains and on the hills and under every green tree.

UST

² When you drive out those people groups, you must destroy all the places where they worshiped their gods. These places include 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 And you shall break down their altars and shatter their stone pillars and burn their Asherah in the fire. And you shall cut down the carved figures of their gods and destroy their name out of that place.

UST

³ Tear down their altars, demolish the stone pillars {that are dedicated to their gods}, burn the poles {that they use when they worship the goddess Asherah}, and chop down their carved idols. This is so 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 shall not do like so to Yahweh your God.

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 there, you shall search for his dwelling, and there you shall 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 And there you shall bring your burnt offerings and your sacrifices and your tithes and the contribution of your hand and your offerings for vows and your freewill offerings, and the firstborn of your herds and flocks.

UST

⁶ That is the place where you must bring all of your offerings. These include the wholly burned sacrifice, other sacrifices, one tenth of all your produce and animals, special contributions, sacrifices for promises, unprompted sacrifices, and the firstborn animals from your cattle and sheep.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 12:7**ULT**

⁷ And there you shall eat before the face of Yahweh your God and rejoice in all the sending out of your hand, 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 much}.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 12:8**ULT**

⁸ You shall not do as everything that we are doing here today, {every} man {doing} whatever {is} right in his 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 until now you have not come to the rest and to the inheritance that Yahweh your God is giving to you.

UST

⁹ This is because you have not yet arrived in the land which he will allow you to permanently possess. There, you will be able to live peacefully.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 12:10**ULT**

¹⁰ And you will cross the Jordan and live in the land that Yahweh your God is causing you to inherit, and he will cause you to rest from all your surrounding enemies, and you will live safely.

UST

¹⁰ After 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. 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 And it will be that the place in which Yahweh your God will choose for His name to dwell there, there you will bring all that I command you: your burnt offerings and your sacrifices and your tithes and the contribution of 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. These include the wholly burned sacrifice, other sacrifices, one tenth of all your produce and animals, special contributions, and sacrifices for promises you make to Yahweh.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 12:12**ULT**

¹² And you will rejoice before the face of Yahweh your God—you and your sons and your daughters and your male servants and your female servants and the Levites who {are} within your gate, because he has no portion or inheritance among you.

UST

¹² Celebrate there in the presence of Yahweh, with your children, your servants, and the Levites who live in your towns. Remember that the Levites will not have their own land, like you do.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 12:13**ULT**

¹³ Watch yourself lest you offer your burnt offerings at every place that you see;

UST

¹³ Do not offer your wholly burnt sacrifice anywhere else.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 12:14**ULT**

¹⁴ except at the place that Yahweh will choose in one of your tribes, there you will offer your burnt offerings, and there you will do everything that I command you.

UST

¹⁴ Only offer them in the place that Yahweh will choose. The place will be in an area that belongs to one of your tribes. That is the only place where you may offer the wholly burnt sacrifice and 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 Only, you may kill and eat animals within all your gates, in all the desire of your spirit, according to the blessing of Yahweh your God that he has given to you; the unclean and the clean may eat it, such as the gazelle and the deer.

UST

¹⁵ However, you may kill and eat your animals wherever you live as much as you want. These animals are blessings from Yahweh your God. Impure and pure people may 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 Only you shall not eat the blood; you shall pour it like water on the earth.

UST

¹⁶ But do not eat the blood {of any animal}. 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 are not allowed to eat within your gates from the tithe of your grain and your new wine and your oil and the firstborn of your herd or flock, and any of your vows that you vow and your freewill offerings and the contribution of your hand.

UST

¹⁷ Do not eat any offering for Yahweh where you live. Do not eat the one tenth of your produce and animals that are set aside for Yahweh. Do not eat any of the offerings for promises, unprompted offerings, or special contributions.

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 But you shall eat them before the face of Yahweh your God in the place that which Yahweh your God will choose—you and your son and your daughter and your male servant and your female servant and the Levite who {is} within your gates; and you shall rejoice before the face of Yahweh your God in all the sending out of your hand.

UST

¹⁸ Instead, you must eat those offerings in the presence of Yahweh in the place that he chooses. You must do this along with your children, your servants, and the Levites who live in your towns. Enjoy the results of your hard work.

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 Watch yourself lest you forsake the Levite all your days on your land.

UST

¹⁹ Be sure that you take care of the Levites who live among you.

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 broadens your borders, as he has spoken to you, and you say, 'I will eat meat,' due to the desire of your soul to eat meat, you may eat meat in all the desire of your soul.

UST

²⁰ In the future, Yahweh will give you more territory, as he has promised. At that time, if you want to eat meat in that new territory, you may eat as much as you want.

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 there is too far from you, then you may sacrifice from your herd and from your flock that Yahweh has given to you, as I have commanded you; and you may eat within your gates, in all the desire of your spirit.

UST

²¹ If the place that Yahweh our God chooses for you to worship him is far from {where you live}, I will tell you what to do. You may kill and eat some of your animals where you live, as much as you want.

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 Surely as the gazelle and the deer are eaten, so you will eat it; the unclean and the clean alike may eat it.

UST

²² Impure and pure people 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 strong, do not eat the blood, for the blood is the life, and do not eat the life with the meat.

UST

²³ But be sure that you do not eat the blood of any animal. This is because it is the blood that sustains life in living beings. You must not eat that which sustains 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 Do not eat it; you shall 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 Do not eat it, so that it may go well for you and for your sons after you, when you will do right in the eyes of Yahweh.

UST

²⁵ If you obey this command and do what Yahweh says is right for you to do, you and your descendants will prosper.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 12:26**ULT**

²⁶ But your sacred things that you have and your vow offerings—you shall take and go to the place that Yahweh will choose.

UST

²⁶ But this is what you must do with your offerings and anything that you promise to give to Yahweh. You must take those things 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 And you shall make your burnt offerings, the meat and the blood, on the altar of Yahweh your God; and the blood of your sacrifices shall be poured out on the altar of Yahweh your God, and you shall eat the meat.

UST

²⁷ There you will offer the animals for the wholly burned sacrifice on the altar. {You will also offer the fellowship sacrifice there. After you kill the animals, the priest} will take the blood from the animals and splatter it onto every side of the altar. {Then, the priests will receive their portion of the meat.} You may eat {the rest of} the 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 Keep and listen to all these words that I command you, so that it may go well for you and for your sons after you until forever, when you do the good and the right in the eyes of Yahweh your God.

UST

²⁸ Faithfully obey all these commands. If you do that, you and your descendants will prosper forever. This is because you will be doing what Yahweh our God says is right for you to do.

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 your face, when you go in there to dispossess them, and you dispossess them and live in their land,

UST

²⁹ When you enter the land that you will occupy, Yahweh our God will destroy the people groups that live there as you advance.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 12:30**ULT**

³⁰ watch yourself, lest you are trapped after them, after they are destroyed from before your face, and lest you inquire for their gods, saying, 'How do these nations serve their gods? And thus I also will do.'

UST

³⁰ After he does that, be sure that you do not worship the gods of those people groups. If you do, it will be like a trap that will catch you. Do not ask them how they worshiped their gods just so you 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 Do not do thus to Yahweh your God, for every abomination {to} Yahweh, which he hates—they have done for their gods; for they even burn their sons and their daughters in the fire for their gods.

UST

³¹ Do not try to worship Yahweh our God like they have worshiped their gods. This is because they do disgusting things when they worship them. Yahweh hates those disgusting things. The worst thing that they do is that they burn their own children on altars for their gods.

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 Every word that I command you, keep doing it. Do not add on it and do not take away from it. ^[1]
12:32 ^[1]

UST

³² Be sure to obey all these commands. 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 a prophet or a dreamer of dreams arises from among you, and he gives to you a sign or a wonder,

UST

¹ In the future, there could be people in your community 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 the sign or the wonder comes about, which he spoke to you, saying, 'Let us go after other gods, that you have not known, and let us worship them,'

UST

² They will say those things to convince 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 spirit.

UST

³ do not pay attention to what they say. This is because Yahweh our God will observe how you behave 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 shall walk after Yahweh your God and honor him and keep his commandments and listen to his voice, and you shall serve him and cling to him.

UST

⁴ You must conduct your lives as Yahweh our God wants you to. You must honor him, do what he tells you to do, and be faithful to him.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 13:5**ULT**

⁵ And that prophet or that dreamer of dreams shall be put to death because he has spoken rebellion against Yahweh your God—who brought you out from the land of Egypt, and who redeemed you from the house of slavery—to drive you out from the way in which Yahweh your God commanded you to walk. And you shall remove the evil from among you.

UST

⁵ But you must execute anyone who tells you to disobey Yahweh our God. This includes anyone who says he is a prophet, or anyone who says that he can interpret dreams. This is because Yahweh himself rescued your families from being slaves in Egypt. Those people want to convince you to disobey what Yahweh has told you to do. Execute them to get rid of those kinds of evil acts in your community.

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 If your brother, the son of your mother or your son or your daughter or the wife of your bosom or your friend who {is} like your life, secretly entices you, saying, 'Let us go and serve other gods that you have not known—you nor your fathers—

UST

⁶ Your brother, son, daughter, wife or some close friend might privately urge you to disobey. They might urge you to worship other gods that you and your ancestors never knew about before.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 13:7**ULT**

⁷ from the gods of the peoples that surround you, near to you or far from you, from {one} end of the earth and to the {other} end of the earth,'

UST

⁷ They might urge you to worship gods that nearby or faraway people groups worship.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 13:8**ULT**

⁸ you shall not yield to him and you shall not listen to him, and your eye shall not pity him, and you shall not spare nor hide 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 shall surely kill him. Your hand shall be the first on him to put him to death, and afterwards, the hand of all the people.

UST

⁹ Execute them! 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 And you shall stone him to death with stones because he seeks to drive you away from Yahweh your God, who brought you out from the land of Egypt, from the house of slavery.

UST

¹⁰ Kill such people by throwing stones at them. This is because they tell you to disobey 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 And all Israel will hear and fear and will not continue to do as the things of this wickedness among you.

UST

¹¹ When they are executed, all the Israelite people will hear what happened. 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 in one of your cities that Yahweh your God gives to you to live there, saying:

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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 'Men, sons of wickedness, have gone out from among you and have driven out the inhabitants of their city saying, "Let us go and serve other gods that you have not known,"

UST

¹³ that some worthless people among you are deceiving the people of their town. They might urge you to worship other gods.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 13:14**ULT**

¹⁴ and you shall investigate and search out and ask thoroughly, and behold, {it is} true, the matter {is} certain, this abomination has been done in your midst,

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 shall surely strike the inhabitants of that city with the mouth of the sword, destroying it, and all who {are} in it, and its livestock, with the mouth 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 And you shall gather all the spoil to the middle of its street and burn the city in fire, and all its spoil completely—for Yahweh your God. And it shall be a heap forever; it shall not 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. It will be like 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 And in your hand you shall not cling to anything from the things for destruction, so that Yahweh will turn from the burning of his nose and give to you mercy and have compassion on you and make you increase, as he has sworn to your fathers,

UST

¹⁷ You must not take for yourselves anything that Yahweh has said must be destroyed. 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 when you listen to the voice of Yahweh your God, to keep all his commandments that I am commanding you today, to do 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, 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 sons of Yahweh your God. Do not cut yourselves, and do not make a baldness between your eyes 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 {like the other people groups do}. Do not gash yourselves or shave the hair on your foreheads when you grieve.

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 set apart for Yahweh your God, and Yahweh has chosen you to be a people for his possession, over all the peoples that are on the face 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 from the flock and the goat from the flock,

UST

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 and the gazelle and the roebuck and 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 And you may eat any animal among the animals parting the hoof or {with} a cleft splitting {into} two hooves, chewing 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 Despite this, from chewers of the cud and from splitters of the hoof, the cloven-footed, you must not eat: the camel and the rabbit and the rock badger; because they cause the cud to go up and 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 And the pig, because he parts the hoof and {chews} not the cud, he {is} unclean to you. From their meat do not eat, 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 You may eat this from all that is in the water: all that has fins and scales you may eat.

UST

⁹ You are permitted to eat any fish that has fins and scales.

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 And all that does not have fins and scales you must not eat; it {is} unclean to you.

UST

¹⁰ But anything else that lives in the water that does not have fins and scales you must not eat. They are unacceptable for you to eat.

(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 And this {is} what you must not eat from them: the eagle and the vulture and the osprey

UST

¹² But you may not eat eagles, vultures, osprey,

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 14:13**ULT**

¹³ the red kite and black kite, and birds of prey in their kinds

UST

¹³ or any kinds of kite or bird of prey.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 14:14**ULT**

¹⁴ and any raven in its kind

UST

¹⁴ You are not permitted to eat any kind of raven,

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 14:15**ULT**

¹⁵ and the owl and the night-hawk and the gull and the hawk in their kinds

UST

¹⁵ owls, any kind of hawk, gulls,

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 14:16**ULT**

¹⁶ the little owl and the great owl and 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 and the pelican and the osprey and the cormorant

UST

¹⁷ pelicans, vultures, or cormorants.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 14:18**ULT**

¹⁸ and the stork and the heron in its kind and the hoopoe and the bat.

UST

¹⁸ You are not permitted to eat storks, any kind of heron, hoopoes, or bats.

(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 You must not eat any insect with wings and which swarm. They are unacceptable to Yahweh for you to eat.

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 anything dying {of itself}; you may give it to the sojourner who {is} within your gates, and he may eat it or sell to a foreigner. For you {are} a nation sanctified to Yahweh your God. You must not boil a young goat in the milk of its mother.

UST

²¹ Do not eat any animal that has died naturally. You may allow foreigners who live among you to eat those things. You may also sell them to other foreigners. But you are a people group that belongs 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 shall surely tithe all the produce of your seed that comes out of 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 And you shall eat before the face of Yahweh your God, in the place that he will choose for his name to dwell there, the tithe of your grain, your new wine, and your oil, and the firstborn of your herd and your flock, so that you will learn to honor Yahweh your God all the days.

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. {He 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 And if the journey is too long for you—that you are not able to carry it because the place that Yahweh your God will choose to place his name there is too far from you—when Yahweh your God blesses you,

UST

²⁴ It could be that the place that Yahweh has chosen for you to worship him is very far from your home. As a result, you might not be able to take the tenth of your crops which are a blessing from Yahweh.

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 then you may give it in money, and bind the money in your hand, and go to the place that Yahweh your God will choose it.

UST

²⁵ In that case, you must sell the tenth of your crops. Then, 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 And give the money for anything that your spirit desires: for oxen or for sheep or for wine or for strong drink or for anything that your spirit desires; and you shall eat there before the face of Yahweh your God, and you shall rejoice, you and your household.

UST

²⁶ There, with that money, you may buy whatever you want to. It could be beef, lamb, 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 And the Levite who {is} within your gates—do not forsake him, for he has no portion or inheritance with you.

UST

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 shall bring out all the tithe of your produce in that year, and you shall deposit {it} within your gates;

UST

²⁸ At the end of every three years, bring a tenth 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 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. That food will also be for the foreigners, 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 seven years, you must make a remission.

UST

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 And this {is} the word of the remission: Every owner of debt shall release his hand that he has loaned to his neighbor; he shall not oppress his neighbor or his brother, because the remission of Yahweh 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 You may collect {from} a foreigner; and what is yours {with} your brother your hand shall 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 Yahweh your God is giving to you {as} an inheritance, to possess it),

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.

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 indeed listen to the voice of Yahweh your God, to keep doing 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 spoke to you; you will lend to many nations, and you will not borrow; and you will rule over many nations, and 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, from one of your brothers, within one of your gates in your land that Yahweh your God is giving to you, you must not harden your heart and you must not 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 enough {for} his need that he has 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 Watch yourselves, lest you have a wicked matter in your heart, saying, 'The seventh year, the year of remission, {is} near,' and you do wrong in your eyes against your poor brother and do not give to him, and he calls 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 do evil in your giving to him; because of this matter Yahweh your God will bless you in all your work and in all the sending out of your hand.

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 not cease to be among the land; therefore I command you, saying, '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 six years, then in the seventh year you must send him out, 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 And when you send him out free from you, you must not send him empty.

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 very liberally provide for him from your flock and from your threshing floor and from 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 And you must remember that you were a slave in the land of Egypt, and Yahweh your God redeemed you; therefore I am commanding you today this matter.

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 And it will be, if he says to you, 'I will not go from you,' because he loves you and your house, because {it is} good for him {to be} 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 shall take an awl and put {it} in his ear and to a door, and he shall be your slave forever. And also you shall do thus to 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 in your eyes for you to send him out free from you, because he has served you six years {with} twice the value of a hired man. And 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 that are born in your herd and your flock, you shall sanctify the males to Yahweh your God. You shall not work with the firstborn of your herd, and you shall not 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 it year by year before the face of Yahweh your God 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 And if it has on it a blemish—lame or blind, any severe blemish—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 shall eat {it} within your gates; the unclean and the clean alike, as a gazelle or a deer.

UST

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 it out on the ground like water.

UST

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 Keep the month of Aviv, and make the Passover to Yahweh your God, for in the month of Aviv, Yahweh your God brought you out from 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 And you shall sacrifice the Passover to Yahweh your God, the flock and the herd, in the place that Yahweh will choose {for} his name to dwell there.

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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 shall not eat on it leavened bread; seven days you shall eat unleavened bread on it, the bread of affliction; for you came out from the land of Egypt in haste. Thus, you will remember the day of your exit from the land of Egypt all the days of your life.

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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 And no yeast shall be seen among you in all your borders seven days; and nothing from the meat that you sacrifice in the evening on the first day shall 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 gates that Yahweh your God is giving to 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, at the place that Yahweh your God will choose {for} his name to dwell, there you shall sacrifice the Passover in the evening at the going down of the sun, at the appointed time of your exit from 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 And you shall cook and eat in the place which Yahweh your God will choose it; and in the morning you shall turn and go to your tents.

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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 Six days you shall eat unleavened bread, and on the seventh day {is} a festive assembly for Yahweh your God; you shall not do 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 shall count seven weeks for yourself; from the beginning of the sickle on the grain you shall 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 And you shall make the Festival of Weeks for Yahweh your God {with} the contribution of a freewill offering of your hand that you shall give, 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 And you will rejoice before the face of Yahweh your God—you and your son and your daughter and your male servant and your female servant and the Levite who {is} within your gates and the foreigner and the fatherless and the widow who {are} among you, in the place that Yahweh your God will choose {for} his name to dwell there.

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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 And you shall remember that you were a slave in Egypt; and you shall keep 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 make the Festival of Shelters for yourselves seven days into your gathering 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 And you shall rejoice in your festival—you and your son and your daughter and your male servant and your female servant and 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 Seven days you shall celebrate for Yahweh your God at the place that Yahweh will choose, because Yahweh your God will bless you in all your harvest and in all the work of your hands, and you will 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 shall appear before the face of Yahweh your God at the place that he will choose: at the Festival of Unleavened Bread, and at the Festival of Weeks, and at the Festival of Shelters. And they shall not appear before the face of Yahweh empty;

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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 {every} man according to the giving of his hand, according to the blessing of Yahweh your God that he 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 shall set for yourself judges and officers within all your gates that Yahweh your God is giving to you, from {each of} your tribes, and they shall 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 shall not twist a judgment; you shall not recognize a face and you shall not take a bribe, for a bribe blinds the eyes of the wise and perverts the words of the righteous.

UST

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 shall pursue justice, justice {alone}, so that you will live and possess the land that Yahweh your God is giving to you.

UST

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 shall not plant for yourselves an Asherah, any pole, beside the altar of Yahweh your God, which you shall 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 And you shall not erect for yourself a 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 shall not sacrifice to Yahweh your God an ox or a sheep that has on it a blemish, any bad thing, for it {is} an abomination to Yahweh your God.

UST

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, in any of your gates that Yahweh your God is giving to you, a man or a woman who does evil in the eyes of Yahweh your God, transgressing 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 —and follows and serves other gods and bows down to them and to the sun or to the moon or to any of the host of the heavens, which I have not 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 {it} is told to you, and you listen, and you investigate thoroughly, and behold, {it is} true {and} certain the matter has been done, this abomination in Israel,

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 then you must bring that man or that woman who has done this evil thing to your gates, the man or the woman, and you shall stone them with stones, and they shall die.

UST

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, he who is to die shall die. He shall not die at the mouth of one witness.

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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 shall be the first on him to put him to death, and afterwards the hand of all the people; and you shall remove the evil from among you.

UST

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 case is too difficult for you to judge, between blood and blood, between a lawsuit and a lawsuit, and between an assault and an assault, cases of dispute in your gates, then you shall arise and go up to the place which Yahweh your God will choose it.

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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 And you shall go to the priests, the Levites, and to the judge who will be {there} at that time; and you shall inquire, and they will tell you the word of the judgment.

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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 And you shall do according to the mouth of the word that they tell you, from that place that Yahweh will choose, and keep doing according to 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 According to the mouth of the law that they teach you, and according to the judgment that they say to you, you shall do. Do not turn aside from the word that they tell you, right or 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 And the man who does arrogantly, not listening to the priest who is standing there to serve Yahweh your God or to the judge—then that man shall die, and you shall remove 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 And all the people will hear and fear, and be arrogant 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 is giving to you, and you take possession of it and live in it, and you say, 'I shall set a king over myself, like all the nations that surround 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 you shall surely set as king over yourself him whom Yahweh your God will choose. You shall set as king over yourself from among your brothers. You shall not put a foreign man, who is not your brother, over yourself.

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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 Only he shall not multiply horses for himself; and he shall not cause the people to return to Egypt so that he may multiply horses, for Yahweh said to you, 'You will no longer 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 And he shall not accumulate wives for himself, and his heart will not turn away. And he shall not accumulate for himself silver and gold excessively.

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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 worshipping 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 And it will be, as he sits on the throne of his kingdom, then he shall write for himself in a scroll a copy of this law before the faces of the priests, the 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 and it shall be with him, and he shall read it all the days of his life, so that he will learn to fear Yahweh his God, to keep all the words of this law and these statutes, to do them,

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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 so that his heart is not lifted up above his brothers and so that he does not turn away from the commandments, right or left, so that he will prolong {his} days in his kingdom, he and his sons, in the midst of 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, the Levites, all the tribe of Levi, shall have no portion nor inheritance with Israel; they shall eat the fire offerings of Yahweh as their inheritance.

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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 And they shall have no inheritance among their brothers; Yahweh is their inheritance, as he spoke 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 And this is the ordinance of the priests, from the people, from those who offer a sacrifice, whether an oxen or a sheep: and they shall give the shoulder and the two cheeks and the innards to the priest.

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, your new wine and your oil and the first of the fleece of your sheep you shall give to him.

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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, all of the days.

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 And if a Levite comes from one of your towns from all Israel where he is living there and desires with all his spirit to come to the place that 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 shall serve in the name of Yahweh his God as all his brothers the Levites, who stand there before the face of 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 shall eat portions alike portions, besides from the sale of his fathers.

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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 to you, you shall not learn to do as 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 shall not be found among you one who causes his son or his daughter to pass through the fire, a user of divination, a soothsayer or a diviner or a sorcerer

UST

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 or a maker of charms or a questioner of mediums or a conjurer of spirits or a seeker of the dead.

UST

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 all who do these {are} an abomination {to} Yahweh; and because of these abominations, Yahweh your God is driving them out from before your faces.

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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 shall be blameless with 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, those which you will dispossess, listen to sorcerers and to diviners; but you, thus Yahweh your God has not allowed you.

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, from your brothers, like me. You shall 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 according to all that you asked from Yahweh your God at Horeb on the day of the assembly, saying, 'We will not continue to hear the voice of Yahweh our God, and we will not 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 And 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 shall raise up a prophet for them from among their brothers, just like you. And I shall set my words on his lips, and he shall speak to them all that I command him.

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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 And it will happen, the man who does not listen to my words that he speaks in my name, I will require {it} from 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 what I have not commanded him to speak or who speaks in the name of other gods, then that prophet shall die.'

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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 And thus you must say in your heart: 'How will we recognize a word 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 When a prophet speaks in the name of Yahweh, and the thing does not happen nor come to pass, it {is} a word that Yahweh has not spoken. The prophet has spoken it arrogantly; you shall 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, that Yahweh your God is giving their land to you, and you dispossess them and live in their cities and their houses,

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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 shall select three cities for yourself in the midst of your land that Yahweh your God is giving to you to possess it.

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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 shall prepare for yourself a road and make the borders of your land three, which Yahweh your God is causing you to inherit, and it will be, everyone who murders shall flee there.

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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 19:4**ULT**

⁴ And this {is} the matter of the killer who flees there and lives—who strikes his neighbor without knowledge, and he did not hate him from previous times,

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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 and who goes into the forest {with} his neighbor to chop wood and his hand swings the ax to cut the wood, and the iron detaches from the wood and finds his neighbor, and he dies—he shall flee to one of these cities and live.

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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 Lest the avenger of blood pursues after the killer when his heart is heated and overtakes him, because the way is long, and he strikes him, a life, and he did not have a judgment of death, for he had not hated him from previous times.

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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, saying, '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 And if Yahweh your God enlarges your borders, as he has sworn to your fathers, and gives to you all the land that he spoke {about} to give to your fathers;

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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—to love Yahweh your God and to walk in his ways all of the days, then you shall add three more cities for yourself, more than these three.

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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.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 19:10**ULT**

¹⁰ And you shall not spill innocent blood in the midst of the land that Yahweh your God is giving to you {as} an inheritance, and blood will be upon you.

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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 And if there is a man who hates his neighbor and ambushes him and rises up against him and strikes him, a life, and he dies, and he 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 shall send out and take him from there and give him into the hand of the redeemer of blood, then he shall die.

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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 shall not pity him; and you shall remove the blood of the innocent from Israel, and it will go well for 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 shall not displace the boundary of your neighbor of which he first set the bounds, in your inheritance that you will inherit, in the land that Yahweh your God is giving to you to possess it.

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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 witness shall not rise up against a man for any iniquity, or for any sin, in any sin that he sins; upon the mouth of two witnesses or upon the mouth of three witnesses a matter may be raised.

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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 If a false witness rises up against a man to testify falsehood against him,

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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 the two men that have the controversy shall stand before the face of Yahweh, before the faces of the priests and the judges who will be in those days.

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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 And the judges shall inquire thoroughly; and behold, {if the} witness {is} false—the false witness testified 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 you shall do to him as he had planned to do to his brother, and you shall remove the evil from among you.

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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 the remnant will hear and fear, and will not continue to do anymore as this evil thing among you.

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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 And your eyes shall not have pity; a life for a life, an eye for an eye, a tooth for a tooth, a hand for a hand, a foot for a 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 go out to battle against your enemies, and see horses and chariots, a people more numerous than you, you shall not be afraid of them; for Yahweh your God {is} with you, who raised you up from the land of Egypt.

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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 And it will be, as you draw near to the battle, then the priest shall approach and speak to the people.

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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 And he shall say to them, 'Listen, Israel, you are approaching today to battle against your enemies. You shall not soften your hearts. You shall not fear or panic or be terrified of them,

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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 goes with you to fight for you against your enemies, to save you.'

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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 And the officers shall speak to the people, saying, 'Who {is} the man that has built a new house and has not dedicated it? Let him go and return to his house, lest he 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 And who {is} the man that has planted a vineyard and has not put it into use? Let him go and return to his house, lest he die in battle and another man puts it to use.

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 And who {is} the man that is engaged {to} a woman and has not taken her? Let him go and return to his house, lest he die in battle and another man takes 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 And the officers shall continue to speak to the people and say, 'Who {is} the man who fears and {is} soft of heart? Let him go and return to his house, and the heart of his brother will not melt like his 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 And it will be, as the officers finish speaking to the people, then they shall appoint leaders of the armies as heads of the people.

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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 draw near to a city to fight against it, then you shall call to it for 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 And it will be, if it answers, 'Peace,' and opens to you, then it will be, all the people found in it shall become for you as forced labor and 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 And if it does not make peace with you and makes war with you, then you shall siege upon it,

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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 Yahweh your God will give it into your hand, and you shall strike every foreigner by the mouth of the sword.

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 and the children and the cattle and everything that is in the city, all its spoil, you shall plunder for yourself, and you shall consume the spoil 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 Thus you shall do to all the cities very far from you, which {are} not from the cities of these nations here.

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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 Only from the cities of these peoples that Yahweh your God is giving to you {as} an inheritance, all breathing things shall not live.

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 But, you shall indeed destroy them: the Hittite, and the Amorite, the Canaanite and 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 so that they do not teach you to do like any of their abominations that they do for their gods, for 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 lay siege to a city many days, battling against it to capture it, you shall not destroy its trees by wielding an ax against it. For you shall eat from them, and you shall not cut them down. For is the tree of the field a man coming before your face to 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 But a tree that you know that is not a tree for food, you shall destroy it and cut down; and you shall build siege works against the city which it makes war with you, until it falls.

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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 one slain is found in the land that Yahweh your God is giving to you to possess it, fallen in the field, {and} it is not known who has struck him,

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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 shall go out, and they shall measure to the cities that surround the slain.

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 And it will be, the town nearest to the slain, and the elders of that town shall take a heifer of the herd, one that has not been put to work, which has not drawn a yoke.

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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 And the elders of that city shall cause the heifer to descend to a valley with running water, that has not been worked in, nor sown, and there they shall break the neck of the heifer in the valley.

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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 And the priests, the sons of Levi, shall come forward, for Yahweh your God has chosen them to serve him and give blessing in the name of Yahweh, and upon their mouth is every dispute and every assault.

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 And all the elders of that city, the nearest one to the slain, shall 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 shall respond and say, 'Our hands have not spilled this blood, and our eyes have not seen {it}.'

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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 Cover, Yahweh, your people Israel, whom you have redeemed, and you will not put the blood of the innocent in the midst of your people Israel.' And the blood will be covered for 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 And you shall remove the blood of the innocent from your midst, when you do right in the eyes of Yahweh.

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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 battle against your enemies, and Yahweh your God gives them into your hands and you deport it {as} captive,

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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 and you see among the captives a woman of beautiful form, and you desire her and take for yourself as a wife,

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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 shall bring her to the midst of your house. And she shall shave her head and do her nails,

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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 and she shall remove the clothes of her captivity from upon her, and she shall live in your house and weep {for} her father and her mother a month of days. And afterwards, you shall go in to her and marry her, and she shall 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 And it will be, if you do not delight in her, then you shall send her to her desires, but you surely shall not sell her for money, you shall not mistreat her in return for humiliating 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, one loved and one hated, and they have borne him sons—the loved and the hated—and it happens that the firstborn son {is} of the hated,

UST

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 it will be, on the day he causes his sons to inherit what he has, he shall not {make} the son of the beloved as the firstborn upon the face of the son of the hated, the firstborn.

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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 But, he shall recognize the firstborn, the son of the hated, giving to him a double portion of all that is found of his; for he {is} the beginning of his strength; the regulation of the firstborn {is} his.

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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 they chastise him, but he 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 shall seize him and bring him to the elders of his city and to the gate of his place.

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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 And they shall say to the elders of his city, 'This son of ours {is} stubborn and rebellious; he will not listen to 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 And all the men of his city shall stone him with stones, and he shall die; and you shall remove the evil from among you. And all Israel will hear 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 And if a man has sinned, a judgment of {which is} death and he is put to death, and you hang him on a tree,

UST

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 his corpse shall not remain on the tree. Instead, you shall surely bury him that day; for cursed of God {is} a hanged man. And you shall not defile your land that Yahweh your God is giving to 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 shall not see the ox of your brother or his sheep be scattered and hide yourself from them; you shall surely return them to your brother.

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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 And if your brother {is} not near to you, or you do not know him, then gather it to the middle of your house, and it must be with you until your brother seeks it, and you shall return 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 And thus you shall do for his donkey; and thus you shall do for his clothing; and thus you shall do for every lost thing of your brother, which is lost from him and you have found it; you shall 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 shall not see the donkey of your brother or his ox fallen down in the road and hide yourself from them; you shall surely lift it up.

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 The garments of a man shall not be on a woman, and neither shall a man wear the clothing of a woman; for all who do these {are} 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 the nest of a bird is encountered before your face on the road, in any tree or on the ground, {with} young ones or eggs, and the mother lying down on the young or on the eggs, you shall not take the mother with the children.

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 shall surely send out the mother, but the children you may take for yourself, so that it may go well with you, and 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 shall make a railing for your roof, and you will not bring blood on your house if one who falls should fall from it.

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 shall not plant your vineyard with two kinds of seed, lest all the produce of the seed that you have sown and the yield of the vineyard is made holy.

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 shall 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 shall not wear mixed material—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 shall make tassels for yourself on the four corners of your garment with which you cover {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 If a man takes a wife, and he goes in to her and hates her

UST

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 accuses her of shameful things and brings against her a bad name and says, 'I took this woman, and I came near to her, and I did not find her virginity,'

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 of the girl and the mother shall take and bring the virginity of the girl to the elders {at} the city gate.

UST

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 And the father of the girl shall 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 And behold, he has set forth shameful things, saying, "I did not find virginity in your daughter." But these {are} the virginity of my daughter.' And they shall spread the garment out before the faces of 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 And the elders of that city shall take the man and rebuke 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 shall fine him 100 silvers, and give them to the father of the girl, because he has brought a bad name upon a virgin of Israel. And she shall be his wife; he shall not send her away 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, virginity was not found in the girl,

UST

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 shall bring out the girl to the door of the house of her father, and the men of her city shall stone her with stones, and she shall die, because she has done a disgraceful thing in Israel, to commit fornication {in} the house of her father; and you shall 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 married to a husband, then they shall die, even the two of them, the man lying with the woman and the woman; and you shall remove the evil from Israel.

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 virgin girl, 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 then you shall take both of them to the gate of that city, and stone them with stones, and they shall die—the girl, on account of the matter that she did not cry out in the city, and the man, on account of the matter that he humiliated the wife of his neighbor; and you shall 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 And if the man finds the engaged girl in the field, and the man seizes her and lies with her, then only the man who lies with her shall 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 shall not do a thing; there is no sin of death in the girl. For as a man rises up against his neighbor and murders him, the life, thus {is} this matter.

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.

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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 virgin girl that is not engaged, and he seizes her and lies with her, and they are discovered,

UST

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 shall give 50 silvers to the father of the girl, and she shall be his wife, because he has violated her. He may not send her away all his days.

UST

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 shall not take the wife of his father; and he shall not uncover the hem of his father.

UST

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 The injured {by} mutilation or male organ being cut off shall not 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 shall enter the assembly of Yahweh; even his tenth generation shall not enter 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 shall not enter the assembly of Yahweh; even their tenth generation shall not enter the assembly of Yahweh, until forever

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 on account of the matter that they did not meet you with bread and with water on the road when you had come out from Egypt, and that they hired against you Balaam son of Beor from Pethor {in} Aram Naharaim, to curse you.

UST

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 was not willing to listen to Balaam, and 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 shall not seek their peace or their prosperity, all your days, to forever.

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 shall not detest an Edomite, for he {is} your brother; you shall not detest 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 sons that are born to them, the third generation, they may enter 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 go out, encamped against your enemies, then you shall keep from every evil thing.

UST

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 a man who is not clean, happening {at} night, then he shall go to the outside of the camp; he shall not come to the middle of 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 And it will happen, turning evening, he shall bathe himself in water, and as the sun goes, he shall go in to the middle of 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 And you shall have a place outside the camp, and you may go outside there,

UST

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 shall have a spade among your tools, and it happens when you are sitting yourself out, then you shall dig with it and put back and cover up your excrement.

UST

¹³ When you go to fight against your enemies, carry a stick along 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 before your faces. And your camp shall be holy, and he will not see an 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 shall not deliver a slave to his master who has escaped to you 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 He shall live with you, in your midst, in the place that he chooses, in one of your gates as good to him. 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 No cultic prostitute shall be from the daughters of Israel, and no cultic prostitute shall be from the sons of Israel.

UST

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 shall not bring the wages of a prostitute or the price of a dog {into} the house of Yahweh your God for any vow; for even both of them {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 shall not charge interest to your brother—interest of money, interest of food, interest of each thing that is charged 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 You may charge interest to a foreigner; but to your brother you shall not charge interest, so that Yahweh your God may bless you in all the sending out of your hand, in the land which you are going into to possess it.

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 vow a vow to Yahweh your God, you shall not delay to fulfill it, for Yahweh your God shall surely require it from you; and {it} would be sin for you.

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 And if you refrain from vowing, {it} will not be 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 What has gone out from your lips you shall keep and do as you have vowed to Yahweh your God, a vow that you have spoken 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 the vineyard of your neighbor, then you may eat grapes as your spirit {is} satisfied, but you shall not put {any} in your vessel.

UST

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 in the stalks of your neighbor, then you may pluck ears of wheat with your hand, but you shall not wave a sickle on the stalks of your neighbor.

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, and it happens, if she finds no favor in his eyes because he has found an indecent thing in her, then he shall write for her a letter of divorce and put {it} into her hand and send her out from 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 And she shall go out from his house, and she may go and be another man's.

UST

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 And {if} the latter husband hates her and writes her a letter of divorce and puts {it} into her hand and sends her out from his house; or if the latter husband dies, who took her as his wife,

UST

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 her first husband, who had sent her away, shall not be able to take her again to be his wife after she has become impure; for it {is} an abomination before the face of Yahweh, and you shall not make the land sinful, which Yahweh your God is giving to 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 shall not go out with the army, neither shall he pass on himself any matter; he shall be free for his house 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 He shall not impound a mill or an upper millstone, for it {is} a life for a pledge.

UST

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 stealing a life from his brothers from the sons of Israel, and mistreats him and sells him, then that thief shall die; and you shall 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 Guard against a plague of skin disease, to firmly keep and do according to all that the priests, the Levites, teach you; as I commanded them, you shall keep doing.

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 Remember what Yahweh your God did to Miriam on the way when you were coming out from Egypt.

UST

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 lend to your neighbor any loan, you shall not go into his house to collect his pledge.

UST

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 shall stand outside, and the man whom you have lent to shall 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 And if he {is} a poor man, you shall not lie asleep with his pledge.

UST

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 shall certainly restore to him the pledge as the sun goes down, and he will sleep in his cloak and bless you; and it will be righteousness for you before the face of 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 shall not oppress a poor and needy hired man from your brothers or from the foreigners who {are} in your land, within your 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 In his day you shall give his wage, and the sun shall not go down on it, for he {is} poor and he lifts up his life to it. Then he will not call against you to Yahweh and have it be for you a sin.

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 Fathers shall not be put to death on account of sons, and sons shall not be put to death on account of fathers. A man shall be put to death for his sin.

UST

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 shall not twist the judgment of the foreigner {or} the fatherless, and you shall not take for a pledge the garment of a widow.

UST

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 And you shall remember that you were a slave in Egypt, and Yahweh your God redeemed you from there. Therefore, I command you to do this word.

UST

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 you forget a sheaf in the field, you shall not go back to take it; it shall 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 beat your olive tree, you shall not go over the branches after yourself; it shall 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 your vineyard, you shall not glean after yourself. It shall be for the foreigner, for the fatherless, or 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 And you shall remember that you were a slave in the land of Egypt. Therefore, I command you to do this word.

UST

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 the judgment, and they judge them, then they shall declare the righteous as just and declare the wicked as unjust.

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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 And if the wicked man is a son of striking, then the judge shall cause him to lie down and be beaten before his face as {is} enough in number {for} his wickedness.

UST

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 He shall not add to his 40 blows, lest he add his striking of him {with} many {more} blows than these, and your brother is 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 shall not muzzle an ox in his threshing.

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, and he does not have a son, the wife of the dead man shall not be for a strange man from outside. Her brother-in-law shall go in to her and take her for himself as a wife, and {be} her brother in law.

UST

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 And it will happen, the firstborn that she bears will rise up upon the name of his brother who died, and his name will not be wiped out 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 delight in taking his brother's wife, then his brother's wife shall go up to the gate to the elders and say, 'My brother-in-law refuses to raise up for his brother a name in Israel; he is not willing {to be} my brother-in-law.'

UST

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 And the elders of his city shall call him and speak to him. If he stands and says, 'I do not delight in taking her.'

UST

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 shall come to him before the eyes of the elders and take off his sandal from his foot and spit in his face. And she shall respond and say, 'Thus is done to the man who does not build up the house of his brother.'

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 And his name will be called in Israel, 'The house of the sandal taken off.'

UST

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, a man and his brother, and the wife of one comes to rescue her husband from the hand of his attacker, and she stretches out her hand and seizes him by his genitals,

UST

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 shall cut off her hand; your eye shall 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 shall not have in your bag a weight and a weight, 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 shall not have in your house a measure and a measure, 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 shall have; a perfect and just measure you shall have, so that your days will be long in the land that Yahweh your God is giving to 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 these, all who do injustice {are} an abomination {to} Yahweh your God.

UST

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 Remember what Amalek did to you on the road as you came out from 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 you from behind, all the stragglers following you, and you {were} faint and weary; and he did not fear 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 And it will happen, when Yahweh your God has given to you rest from all your surrounding enemies, in the land that Yahweh your God is giving to you to possess {as} an inheritance, you shall wipe out the memory of Amalek from under the heavens; you shall not forget.

UST

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 And it will happen, when you have come into the land that Yahweh your God is giving to you {as} an inheritance and you possess it and live in it,

UST

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 shall take from the first of all the harvest of the land that you have brought in from the land that Yahweh your God is giving to you. And you shall put {it} in a basket and go to the place that Yahweh your God will choose {for} his name to dwell there.

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 And you shall go to the priest who will be in those days and say to him, 'I declare today to Yahweh your God that I have come to the land that Yahweh swore to our fathers to give to 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 And the priest shall take the basket from your hand and set it before the face of 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 And you shall respond and say before the face of Yahweh your God, 'My father {was} a wandering Aramean. And he went down to Egypt and stayed there—his people {were} few—and there he became a great, mighty, and numerous 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 And the Egyptians treated us badly and afflicted us. And they set it—hard work—upon us.

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 And we cried out to Yahweh, the God of our fathers, and Yahweh heard our voice and saw our affliction and 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 And Yahweh brought us out from Egypt with a mighty hand and with an outstretched arm and with great fearsomeness and 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 to us this land, a land flowing {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 And now, behold, I have brought the first of the harvest of the land that Yahweh has given to me.' And you shall set it down before the face of Yahweh your God and bow down before the face of Yahweh your God;

UST

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 shall rejoice in all the good that Yahweh your God has given to you and to 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 tithing all the tithe of your harvest in the third year—the year of tithing—then you shall give {it} to the Levite, to the foreigner, to the fatherless, and to the widow, and they may eat within your gates and be satisfied.

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 And you shall say before the face of Yahweh your God, 'I have removed from my house the things set apart, and also have given it to the Levite, and to the foreigner, to the fatherless, and to the widow, according to all your commandments that you have commanded me. I have not transgressed any of your commandments, neither have I forgotten.

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 from it in my mourning, nor have I removed from it in sin, nor have I given from it to the dead. I have listened to the voice of Yahweh my God; I have done according to all that you have commanded me.

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 your holy habitation, from the heavens, and bless your people, Israel, and the land that you have given to 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 This day Yahweh your God is commanding you to obey these statutes and ordinances; and you shall keep and do them with all your heart and with all your spirit.

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: Yahweh is your God, and you shall walk in his ways and keep his statutes and his commandments and his ordinances, and you shall 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 his, a people for a possession, as he had spoken to you, and to keep all his commandments,

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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 nations that he has made, for praise and for a name and for beauty. And you will be a sanctified people for Yahweh your God, just as he has spoken.”

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 And Moses and the elders of Israel commanded the people, saying, "Keep all the commandments that I command you today.

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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 And it will be, on the day when you cross the Jordan to the land that Yahweh your God is giving to you, then you shall erect for yourself 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 And you shall write on them all the words of this law when you have crossed over; so that you may go into the land that Yahweh your God is giving to you, a land flowing {with} milk and honey, as Yahweh, the God of your fathers, has spoken to 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 And it will be, when you have crossed the Jordan, erect these stones that I am commanding you 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 And there you shall build an altar to Yahweh your God, an altar of stones; you shall not brandish an iron tool on them.

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 shall build the altar of Yahweh your God of untouched stones; and you shall sacrifice 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 shall sacrifice peace offerings and eat there; and you shall rejoice before the face of 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 And you shall 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 And Moses and the priests, the Levites, spoke to all Israel, saying, "Be silent and listen, Israel: This day 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 And hear the voice of Yahweh your God and do 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 And Moses commanded the people on that day, saying,

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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 shall stand on Mount Gerizim to bless the people when you have crossed the Jordan: Simeon and Levi and Judah and Issachar and 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 And these shall stand for the curse on Mount Ebal: Reuben, Gad and Asher and 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 And the Levites shall respond 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 'Cursed {is} the man who makes a carved image or cast figure, an abomination {to} Yahweh, the work of the hands of a craftsman, and sets up secretly.' And all the people shall 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 'Cursed {is} the one who dishonors his father or his mother.' And all the people shall 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 'Cursed {is} the one who displaces the boundary of his neighbor.' And all the people shall 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 'Cursed {is} the one who misleads a blind man on the road.' And all the people shall 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 'Cursed {is} the one who twists a judgment of a foreigner, fatherless, or widow.' And all the people shall 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 'Cursed {is} the one who lies with the wife of his father, because he has uncovered the hem of his father.' And all the people shall 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 'Cursed {is} the one who lies with any beast.' And all the people shall 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 'Cursed {is} the one who lies with his sister, the daughter of his father, or the daughter of his mother.' And all the people shall 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 'Cursed {is} the one who lies with his mother-in-law.' And all the people shall 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 'Cursed is the one who strikes his neighbor secretly.' And all the people shall 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 'Cursed is the one who takes a bribe to strike a life of innocent blood.' And all the people shall 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 'Cursed is the one who does not keep the words of this law, to do them.' And all the people shall 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 And it will be, if you indeed listen to the voice of Yahweh your God, to keep doing all his commandments that I am commanding you today, then Yahweh your God will set you higher than all the 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 And all these blessings will come on you and reach 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 you {will be} in the city, and blessed you {will 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 womb 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 you {will be} in your coming in, and blessed you {will be} in your going 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 shall let your enemies who rise up against you be struck down before your faces; they will come out against you one way but will flee before your faces 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 for you the blessing in your barns and in all the sending out of your hand; and he will bless you in the land that Yahweh your God is giving to 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 his sanctified people, 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 And all the peoples of the earth will see that the name of Yahweh is called on your side, 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 And Yahweh will make you abound in prosperity in the fruit of your womb and in the fruit of your cattle and in the fruit of your ground, in the land that Yahweh swore to your fathers to give to 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 treasure, the good of the heavens, to give rain {for} your land at the appointed time, and to bless all the work of your hand; and 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 And Yahweh will set you as head, and not as tail; and you will be only above, and you will not be beneath, if you listen to the commandments of Yahweh your God that I am commanding you today, to keep and do.

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 do not turn away from any of the words that I am commanding you today, right or left, going 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 And it will happen, if you do not listen to the voice of Yahweh your God, to keep doing all his commandments and his statutes that I am commanding you today, then all these curses will come upon 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 you {shall be} in the city, and cursed you {shall 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 {shall 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 {shall be} the fruit of your womb and 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 you {shall be} in your coming in, and cursed you {shall be} in your going 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 against you curses, confusion, and rebukes in all the sending out of your hand that you will do until you are destroyed and until you perish quickly from the faces of your wicked deeds 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 has finished you from off the land which you are going into to possess it.

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 smite {you} with emaciation and with fever and with inflammation and with fiery heat and with a sword and with scorching winds and with mildew. And they 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 And your skies that {are} over your head shall be bronze, and the earth that {is} under you {shall 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 allow the rain of your land {to be} 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 shall let you be struck down before the faces of your enemies; you will go out one way against him but will flee before his face seven ways. And you will be trembling before 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 And your corpse will be as food for all the birds of the heavens and for the beasts of the earth; and there will be none to startle {them}.

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 smite {you} with the boils of Egypt and with ulcers and with rash and with itch, from which you are not able to 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 smite {you} with madness and with blindness and with confusion of heart.

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 And you will be groping about at noon like the blind grope in the darkness, and you will not succeed in your ways; and you shall be again oppressed and robbed all of the days, and there will be no deliverer.

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 shall betroth a woman, but another man will violate her. You shall build a house but not live in it; you shall plant a vineyard but not use it.

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 {shall be} slain before your eyes, but you will not eat from it. Your donkey shall be robbed from before your face and will not be returned to you. Your sheep {shall be} given to your enemies, and there will be no deliverer for 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 {shall be} given to other peoples, and your eyes will look on and will long for them all the day, and your hand will have no strength.

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 A nation that you do not know shall eat the fruit of your land and all your labor, and you will be only oppressed and crushed all the days.

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 And you shall become insane from the view of your eyes that you will see.

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 smite {you} with bad boils on the knees and on the legs that you will not be able to heal, from the bottom of your foot and 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 lead you and your king that you will raise up over yourself to a nation that you have not known, you nor your fathers; and there you shall serve 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 And you shall become a horror, a proverb, and a byword among all the peoples where Yahweh will drive you there.

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 shall 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 shall plant vineyards and cultivate {them}, but you will not drink the wine nor harvest, for the worms will eat it.

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 shall have olive trees within all your territory, but you will not grease yourself {with} the oil, for your olives will become detached.

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 shall bear sons and daughters, but they will not be 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 crickets will take possession.

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; and you will descend 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 And all these curses shall come on you and pursue you and overtake you until you are destroyed because you did not listen to the voice of Yahweh your God, to keep his commandments and his statutes 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 And they shall be on you as signs and as wonders, and on your seed until 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 serve Yahweh your God with joyfulness and with gladness of heart from the abundance of everything.

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 so you shall serve your enemies that Yahweh will send against you: in hunger and in thirst and in nakedness and in lacking everything. And 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 lift up a nation against you from far away, from the end of the earth, like an eagle flies, 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 fierce of face, which does not lift up a face for the elder and does not favor 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 And it shall eat the fruit of your cattle and the fruit of your land until you are destroyed, which will leave for you no grain, new wine, or oil, young of your cattle or young 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 And it shall besiege you within all your gates until your high and fortified walls, in which you had trusted, come down in all your land. And it shall besiege you within all your gates, in all your land that Yahweh your God has given to 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 And you will eat the fruit of your womb, the flesh of your sons and your daughters, whom Yahweh your God gave to you, in the siege and in the distress when your enemies oppress 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 tender man among you and the very delicate, his eye shall do wrong against his brother and against the wife of his bosom and against the remainder of his children that remain.

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 without giving to any of them from the flesh of his children that he will eat, since nothing remains for himself {at} all in the siege and in the distress with which your enemy will oppress you within all your 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 attempt to set the bottom of her foot on the ground because of delicateness and tenderness—her eye shall do wrong against the husband of her bosom and against her son and against 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 against her afterbirth coming out from between her legs and against the children whom she will bear, for she will secretly eat them {for} lack of anything else, in the siege and in the distress which your enemy will set upon you within your 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 doing all the words of this law that are written in this book, to fear this glorious and dreaded 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 cause wonderful afflictions—your plagues and the plagues of your seed {will be} great and enduring plagues and great and enduring sicknesses.

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 And he will bring back to you all the diseases of Egypt, of which you were afraid of their faces; and 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 every plague that {is} not written in the scroll of this law, Yahweh will cause them to rise against 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 And you shall remain 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 And it will happen, as Yahweh rejoiced over you in doing you good, and in multiplying you, so Yahweh will rejoice over you in causing you to perish and in destroying you. And you will be torn away from the land which you are going into to possess it.

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 And Yahweh will scatter you among all the peoples from {one} end of the earth and to the {other} end of the earth; and there you will serve other gods of wood and stone that you have not known, you or your fathers.

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 And among these nations you will not have peace, and there will be no rest for the sole of your foot. And there Yahweh will give you a trembling heart and failing eyes and a mourning spirit.

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 And it will happen, your life will hang before you, and you will fear, night and day, and you will have no certainty 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, 'Who gives evening!' and in the evening you will say, 'Who gives morning!' because of the fear in your hearts that you fear and the view of your eyes that you will 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 And Yahweh will bring you back {to} Egypt by ships, by the route which I had said to you, 'You will not continue to see it again.' And there you will sell yourselves to your enemies as male slaves and female slaves, but there will be no buyers."

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 of the covenant that Yahweh commanded Moses to cut {with} the sons of Israel in the land of Moab, besides the covenant that he had cut 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 And 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 and 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 this day Yahweh has not given to you a heart to know or 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 'And I have led you 40 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 bread, and you did not drink wine or alcohol, 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 And you came to this place, and Sihon the king of Heshbon and Og the king of Bashan came out against us for the battle, 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 And we took their land and gave it as an inheritance to the Reubenites and 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 And you shall 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 the face of 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 children, 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 to enter into the covenant of Yahweh your God and into the oath that Yahweh your God is cutting 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 raise you up today into a people for himself and he may be God for you, as he spoke to you and as he swore to your fathers, 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 and not only with you am I cutting 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 but {with} those who are standing here with us today before the face of Yahweh our God, and {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 For you know how we lived in the land of Egypt and how we went through in the midst of the nations which you passed through,

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 and you have seen their abominations and their idols 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 lest there is among you a man or woman or clan or tribe whose heart is turning away today from Yahweh our God to go serve the gods of those nations, lest there is among you a root bearing 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 And it will be, when he hears the words of this curse, then he will bless himself in his heart, saying, 'I will have peace, though I walk in the stubbornness of my heart,' so that the wet {and} the dry are swept away.

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 is not willing to forgive him. Instead, the nose of Yahweh and his jealousy will smolder against that man, and all the curses written in this book will rest on him, and Yahweh will blot out his name from under the heavens.

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 And Yahweh will separate him for disaster from all the tribes of Israel, according to all the curses of the covenant 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 And the latter generation, your children who will rise up after you and the foreigner who comes from a distant land, will say, when they see the plagues of that 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 'All its land {is} sulfur and burning salt; no one sows and nothing sprouts and not any grass grows in it, like the overthrow of Sodom and Gomorrah, Admah and Zeboyim, which Yahweh destroyed in his nose and in his 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 and all the nations will say, 'Because of what has Yahweh done such to this land? What {is} the heat of this great nose?'

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 And they will say, 'Because they abandoned the covenant of Yahweh, the God of their fathers, that he cut with them when he brought them out from 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 they went and served other gods and bowed down to them, gods that they had not known, and they had no portion of.

UST

²⁶ Instead, they worshiped 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 So the nose of Yahweh burned against that land to bring on it all the curses 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 and Yahweh has torn them away from their land in nose and in wrath and in great fury and has thrown them into another land, as this day.'

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 things {are} of Yahweh our God; but the revealed things {are} for us and for our sons until forever, in order to 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 happens that all these things have come on you—the blessings and the curses that I have set before your faces—and you return to your heart among all the nations where Yahweh your God has driven you there,

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 you return to Yahweh your God and listen to his voice, according to all that I am commanding you today—you and your sons—with all your heart and with all your spirit,

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

ULT

³ then Yahweh your God will turn back 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 there.

UST

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 your scattered people are in the end of the heavens, from there Yahweh your God will gather you, and from there he will take you.

UST

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 And Yahweh your God will bring you into the land that your fathers possessed, and you will possess it; and he will do you good and will multiply you more than your fathers.

UST

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 And Yahweh your God will circumcise your heart and the heart of your seed, to the love of Yahweh your God with all your heart and with all your spirit, 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 And Yahweh your God will put all these curses on your enemies and on haters of you, who pursued 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 And you will return and listen to 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 And Yahweh your God will give you prosperity in all the work of your hand and in the fruit of your womb and in the fruit of your cattle and in the fruit of your ground, for goodness; for Yahweh will again rejoice over you for goodness, as he rejoiced over your fathers,

UST

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 if you listen to the voice of Yahweh your God, keeping his commandments and his statutes written in this book of the law, if you return to Yahweh your God with all your heart and with all your spirit.

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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} wonderful for you, and it is not far away.

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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, saying, 'Who will go up for us to heaven and take it to us and cause us to hear it, and let us do it?'

UST

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, saying, 'Who will go over to beyond the sea for us and take it to us and cause us to hear it, and let us 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 your faces life and good and 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 For I am commanding you today to love Yahweh your God, to walk in his ways and to keep his commandments and his statutes and his ordinances, and you will live and multiply, and Yahweh your God will bless you in the land which you are going into to possess it.

UST

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 are drawn away and bow down to other gods and serve 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 I announce to you today that you will surely perish; you will not prolong {your} days in the land which you are crossing over the Jordan to go into to possess it.

UST

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 the heavens and the earth to witness against you today: I have set before your faces life and death, the blessings and the curses; and choose life so that you may live, you and your seed,

UST

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 to love Yahweh your God, to listen to his voice, and to cling to him—for he {is} your life and the length of your days—so you may live in the land that Yahweh swore to your fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, to give to them.”

UST

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

ULT

¹ Then 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 And he said to them, "I am 120 years old today; I am not able anymore to go out and come in; and 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 your faces; he will destroy these nations from before your faces, and you will dispossess them. Joshua, he will go over before your faces, 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 And Yahweh will do to them as he did to Sihon and to Og, the kings of the Amorites, and to their land, that which he destroyed.

UST

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 And Yahweh will give them before your faces, and you shall do to them according to all the commandments 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 courageous, you shall not fear, and you shall not be afraid of their faces; for Yahweh your God, he 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 And Moses called to Joshua and said to him in the eyes of all Israel, "Be strong and courageous, for you will go {with} this people into the land that Yahweh has sworn to their fathers to give to them; and you will cause them to inherit it.

UST

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 And Yahweh, he goes before your faces; he will be with you; he will not fail you nor abandon you; you shall not fear and you shall not be dismayed."

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 And Moses wrote this law and gave it to the priests, the sons of Levi, who carry the box of the covenant of Yahweh, and 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 box and he also gave copies of it to all the elders of Israel.

Deuteronomy 31:10**ULT**

¹⁰ And Moses commanded them, saying, "At the end of seven years, at the appointed time of year of the remission, 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 shall come to appear {before} the face of Yahweh your God in the place that he will choose, you shall read this law before all Israel in their ears.

UST

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, and the women, and the children, and your foreigner who is within your gates, so that they may hear and so that they may learn and fear Yahweh your God and keep doing all the words of this law.

UST

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 And their sons, who do not know, may hear and learn to fear Yahweh your God all the days that you live in the land to which you are crossing over the Jordan to possess it.”

UST

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 And Yahweh said to Moses, “Behold, your dying day is approaching; call Joshua and present yourselves in the tent of meeting, and I will command him.” And 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 And Yahweh appeared in the tent in a pillar of cloud; and the pillar of cloud stood over the door of the tent.

UST

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 And Yahweh said to Moses, "Behold, you will sleep with your fathers; and this people will rise up and whore after the strange gods of the land in the midst of which it is going to. And they will forsake me and break my covenant that I have cut with them.

UST

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 And, on that day, my nose will burn against them, and I will forsake them and hide my face from them, and they will be devoured, and many disasters and troubles will find them. And they will say on that day, 'Have not these disasters found us because my God is not in my midst?'

UST

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 And I will surely hide my face on that day because of all the evil that they will have done, because they have turned to other gods.

UST

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 And now, write this song for yourselves and teach it to the sons of Israel. Put it in their mouths, so that this song may be a witness for me against the sons 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 When I bring them to the land that I swore to their fathers, flowing {with} milk and honey, and they eat and become satisfied and fat, then they will turn to other gods and they will serve them and they will despise me and 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 And it will be, when many evils and troubles find it, then this song will testify before its face as a witness (for it will not be forgotten from the mouths of its seed). For I know the intent that it is making today, before I have brought them into the land that I promised.”

UST

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 And Moses wrote this song on that day and taught it to the sons of Israel.

UST

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 And he commanded Joshua son of Nun and said, "Be strong and courageous; for you shall bring the sons of Israel into the land that I swore to them, and I will be with you."

UST

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 And it happened as Moses finished writing the words of this law in a scroll until {it was} complete,

UST

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 Box of the Testimony of Yahweh.

Deuteronomy 31:25**ULT**

²⁵ that Moses commanded the Levites, who carried the box of the covenant of Yahweh, saying,

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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 Box 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 scroll of the law and put it by the side of the box of the covenant of Yahweh your God, and {it} will be there as a witness against you.

UST

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 hard neck; behold, while I am still alive with you today, you have been rebellious against Yahweh; and also surely after my death.

UST

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, and let me speak these words in their ears and call the heavens and the 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 surely corrupt yourselves and turn aside from the path that I have commanded you; and disaster will meet you in the following days, because you will do evil in the eyes of Yahweh, provoking 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 And Moses spoke in the ears of all the assembly of Israel the words of this song until {it was} 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

ULT

¹ Give ear, heavens, and let me speak, and let the earth listen to the utterances of my mouth.

UST

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 like rain, my saying mist like dew, like sprinkling on the green, and like downpours on the grass.

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 the name of Yahweh I proclaim, 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 ways {are} just. A faithful God without iniquity, righteous and upright {is} he.

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 Did he act corruptly to him? No, his sons {are} the disgrace, a perverse 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 {Is} this how you reward Yahweh, people foolish and without wisdom? {Is} he not your father, your shaper? 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 Remember the days of eternity, consider the years of generation upon generation. Ask your father, and he will inform 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 an inheritance— when he divided the sons of man, he defined the boundaries of the peoples, numbered the sons of Israel.

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 the portion of Yahweh {is} his people, Jacob {is} his allotted inheritance.

UST

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 wilderness land, and in the barren, howling desert. He surrounded him and gave mind to him, watched over 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 Like an eagle rouses his nest, over his young he hovers, {He} spread his wings, {he} took him, carried him 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, and no foreign god with him.

UST

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 placed him on heights of the land, and fed {him} the fruits of the field, and he nourished him {with} honey from the crag, and oil from the flinty stone,

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 curd of cattle and milk of flocks, with fat of lambs, and rams of the sons of Bashan, and goats, with fat kernels of wheat— and the blood of grapes you drank {as} mead.

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 And Jeshurun fattened and kicked— you were fat, you thickened, you gorged— and 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 He provoked him with strangers. With their abominations they angered him.

UST

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, not God— gods they had not known, new ones come recently, {whom} your fathers had not feared.

UST

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 The Rock, your bearer, you neglected and you forgot the God {who} gave you birth.

UST

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 And Yahweh saw, and he spurned, from the provocation of his sons and his daughters.

UST

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 And he said, "Let me hide my face from them," "I shall see what their end {will be;} for a perverse generation {are} they, children {with} no faithfulness in them.

UST

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 provoked me with a not-god, angered me by their worthless things, so I will provoke them with a not-people; by a foolish nation I will anger them,

UST

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 flares in my nose, and burns to the lowest Sheol, and devours the earth and its yield, and scorches 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 increase disasters on them; I will spend my arrows on them,

UST

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 wasted {by} hunger and weakened {by} plague and bitter contagion, and on the teeth of beasts I will send them, with the poison of crawlers {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, both young man and virgin, the suckling, with the gray-haired man.

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 I would wipe them out. I would remove from mankind their memory

UST

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 if the provocation of the enemy I did not fear, lest their adversaries misjudge, lest they say, 'Our hand {is} exalted, and Yahweh did not carry out all this.'

UST

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 a nation devoid of counsel {are} they, and without understanding in them.

UST

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 If they were wise, they would comprehend this; they would understand their latter days!

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, or two put to flight ten thousands, unless their Rock sold them, and Yahweh gave 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 not like our Rock {is} their rock, and {thus} our enemies assess.

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 from the vine of Sodom {is} their vine, and from the vineyards of Gomorrah; their grapes {are} grapes of poison; their clusters {are} bitter.

UST

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 The venom of serpents {is} their wine, and the cruel poison of vipers.

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 it not concealed with me, sealed up among my treasures?

UST

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 Mine {is} vengeance and recompense, at the time when their foot slips, for the day of their disaster {is} near, and the things prepared for them hasten.

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 vindicates his people, and by his servants he is grieved. For he will see that gone is {their} hand, and none {are} kept back or let free.

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 And he will say, "Where {are} their gods, the rock in whom they took refuge?—

UST

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 who ate the fat of their sacrifices, drank the wine of their libations? Let them rise up and help you; let them be for you 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, I {am} he, and there is no god besides me. I put to death and give life. I wound, and I heal, and no one rescues from my hand,

UST

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.'

UST

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 my hand seizes justice, I will return 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 slain and the captives, 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, nations, {with} his people, for the blood of his servants he will avenge, and vengeance he will return on his enemies, and he will cover his land, 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 And Moses came and spoke 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 And Moses finished speaking all these words to all Israel.

UST

⁴⁵ Then they finished singing to them this song.

(There are no questions for this verse.)

Deuteronomy 32:46**ULT**

⁴⁶ And he said to them, "Set your hearts on all the words which I bore witness to you today, that you may command your children to keep doing all the words of this law.

UST

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 it {is} no empty thing for you, because it {is} your life, and through this thing you may prolong {your} days in the land to which you are crossing over the Jordan to possess it."

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 And Yahweh spoke to Moses on this same day, saying,

UST

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 to this mountain of the Abarim, Mount Nebo, which {is} in the land of Moab, that {is} on the face of Jericho. And you will see the land of Canaan, which I am giving to the sons of Israel as a 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 And you will die on the mountain which you are going up to, and you will be gathered to your people, as Aaron your brother died on Mount Hor and was gathered to his people.

UST

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 Because you were unfaithful to me among the sons of Israel at the waters of Meribah {in} Kadesh, {in the} wilderness of Zin; because you did not honor me among the sons 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**ULT**

⁵² For you will see the land from the front, but you will not go there, into the land that I am giving to the sons 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

ULT

¹ And this {is} the blessing with which Moses, the man of God, blessed the sons of Israel before the face of his death.

UST

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 And he said: Yahweh from Sinai came and rose from Seir to them, shone forth from Mount Paran, and came with ten thousands of holy ones, in his right hand, lightning for them.

UST

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 Mount Paran, came with ten thousands of holy ones, and in his right hand there were flashes of lightning.

Deuteronomy 33:3**ULT**

³ Yes, he loves the peoples. All his sanctified {are} in your hand, and they will be tied to your feet, he is lifted up by 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 'A law Moses commanded to us, a possession for the assembly of Jacob.'

UST

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 And he became a king in Jeshurun, when the heads of the people had gathered, together the tribes of Israel.

UST

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 let his men be few.

UST

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 And this {is} for Judah. And he said: Listen, Yahweh, {to} the voice of Judah, and to his people bring him. Let his hand strive for himself, and a help against his enemies you will be.

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 And for Levi, {he} said: Your Thummim and your Urim are of your godly man, whom you tested at Massah. You strove against him {at} the waters of Meribah

UST

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 who said of his father and of his mother, 'I have not seen them,' and his brothers he did not acknowledge, and his sons he did not know, for he guarded your speech and your covenant he kept.

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 your ordinances to Jacob, and your law to Israel. He will put incense before your nose, and whole offerings on your altar.

UST

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 the work of his hands accept. Shatter the loins of those who rise up against him, and haters of him, lest they rise up.

UST

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 To Benjamin, he said: The beloved of Yahweh lives in security beside him. He covers him all the day, and between his shoulders he lives.

UST

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 And to Joseph, he said: "Blessed of Yahweh {be} his land, from the bounty of heaven, from dew, and from the deep lying beneath,

UST

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 and from the bounty of the harvest of the sun, and from the bounty of the produce of the months,

UST

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 and from the heads of ancient mountains, and from the bounty of eternal 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 and from the bounty of earth and from its fullness, and the favor of the bush-dweller. Let them come on the head of Joseph, and on the top of the head of the prince of 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 His firstborn ox {is} his majesty, and the horns of a wild ox {are} his horns. With them he will ram the peoples together to the ends of the earth, And they {are} the ten thousands of Ephraim, and they {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 And to Zebulun, he said: Rejoice, Zebulun, in your going out, and 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 Peoples they will call {to} the mountain. There they will sacrifice sacrifices of righteousness. For the abundance of the seas they suckle, and treasures hidden {in the} sand.

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 And to Gad, he said: Blessed be the increaser of Gad. Like a lioness he will live, and tear off an arm, also 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 And he saw the first for himself, for there the decreed portion {is} reserved. And he came {with} the heads of the people. The justice of Yahweh he carried out, and his judgments 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 And to Dan, he said: Dan {is} a lion cub leaping 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 And to Naphtali, he said: Naphtali, satisfied {with} favor, and full of the blessing of Yahweh, the west and the south, you will possess.

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 And to Asher, he said: Blessed among sons {is} Asher. Let him be favored {among} his brothers, and bathe in oil his foot.

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 Iron and bronze your gate-bolts, and as your days, your security.”

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 of Jeshurun, riding 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 A refuge {is} the God of ancient days, and underneath {are} the eternal arms. And he thrust out the enemy from before your faces, 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 And Israel dwelt {in} safety secure, the spring of Jacob in a land of grain and new wine. Indeed, let his heavens drop dew.

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 happiness, Israel! Who {is} like you, a people saved by Yahweh, the shield of your help, and who {is} the sword of your majesty? And your enemies will fawn over you, but you, on their high places will trample.

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 Then Moses went up from the plains of Moab to Mount Nebo, {to} the top of Pisgah, which {is} against the face of Jericho. And 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 And 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 seed.' I have showed you, to 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 And Moses, the servant of Yahweh, died there in the land of Moab, according to the mouth of Yahweh.

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 And he 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 And Moses {was} 120 years old when he died; his eye was not dim, nor had his vigor fled.

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 And the sons of Israel mourned Moses in the plains of Moab 30 days, and the days of the tears 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 And Joshua son of Nun {was} full of the spirit of wisdom, for Moses had laid his hands on him. And the sons 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 And a prophet like Moses has not arisen in Israel since, 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 for 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 and for all the mighty hand and for all the fearsome {and} great {things} that Moses did before the eyes 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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