

The Covenants

Part 7

“The Renewal of the Mosaic Covenant”

Deuteronomy 29-30

Intro:

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“This and the following chapter contain the address of Moses to the people on the solemn renewal of the covenant.”

This is forty years after the Covenant was made on Mount Horeb

Mount Horeb 1491 BC

Moab 1451 BC

Deuteronomy Covers a period of only 2 Months.

Israel would soon cross over Jordan.

This is a completely New Generation from that which left Egypt.

Therefore the Covenant must be Renewed.

Deu 29:1 These *are* the words of the covenant, which the LORD commanded Moses to make with the children of Israel in the land of Moab, beside the covenant which he made with them in Horeb.

Note 1;

The Nature of the Covenant.

It is a Covenant consisting of Words.

“These are the words of the covenant”

Very soon we hope to Constitute as a Church. Our Constitution will be made of Words.

Also we will make a Covenant together. This will be a Covenant made up of Words.

So it is in this Covenant here. It is one that consists of Words.

Note 2;

The Origin of the Covenant.

*“which **the LORD** commanded Moses to make with the children of Israel”*

The Lord is the Author of this Covenant.

Moses is but the Messenger/Mediator.

Note 3;

The Importance of the Covenant.

“which the LORD commanded Moses”

The Lord did not suggest this to Moses as a good idea.

But:

Commanded him!!!

Note 4;

The Recipients of the Covenant.

*“to make **with the children of Israel**”*

Note 5

The Place of the Covenant.

“to make with the children of Israel in **the land of Moab**”

Consider:

With all the Covenants in the Scripture, there is always an emphasis on the place.

Note 6.

The Continuity and Progression of the Covenant

“beside the covenant which he made with them in Horeb”

Note 7;

The Evidence of the Covenant.

Verses 2-3

*Deu 29:2 And Moses called unto all Israel, and said unto them, **Ye have seen** all that the LORD did **before your eyes** in the land of Egypt unto Pharaoh, and unto all his servants, and unto all his land;*

*Deu 29:3 The great temptations which **thine eyes have seen**, the signs, and **those great miracles:***

Note 8;

The Need of the Covenant.

Deu 29:4 Yet the LORD hath not given you an heart to perceive, and eyes to see, and ears to hear, unto this day.

Consider:

It was not sufficient in and of itself for God to make a Covenant with them.

The Lord would also have to open the Blind eyes so that they could perceive it!!!

Note 9;

The Provision of the Covenant.

Deu 29:5 And I have led you forty years in the wilderness: your clothes are not waxen old upon you, and thy shoe is not waxen old upon thy foot.

Note 10;

The Purpose of the Covenant.

*Deu 29:6 Ye have not eaten bread, neither have ye drunk wine or strong drink: **that ye might know that I am the LORD your God.***

An Illustration of this is:

The Covenant of Marriage.

The purpose of that Covenant is to enter into a lifetime of learning to know your Husband/Wife.

But:

Some will tell us;

Live with them first, “Just in case you find out you don’t like them”

A bit like a car.

Take it for a test drive first.

It has become like that with babies as well.

People want to know if there is something wrong with it before its born so they can decide whether or not to abort.

Note 11;

The Enemies of the Covenant.

Deu 29:7 And when ye came unto this place, Sihon the king of Heshbon, and Og the king of Bashan, came out against us unto battle, and we smote them:

Note 12;

The Triumph of the Covenant.

Verse 7 ends with the words:

“and we smote them”

Deu 29:8 And we took their land, and gave it for an inheritance unto the Reubenites, and to the Gadites, and to the half tribe of Manasseh.

*1Jn 5:4 For whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world: and **this is the victory** that overcometh the world, **even our faith.***

Note 13;

The Condition of the Covenant.

*Deu 29:9 Keep therefore the words of this covenant, and **do them, that ye may prosper in all that ye do.***

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Deu 29:9

***That ye may prosper** - literally, “that ye may act wisely.” The connection of the two ideas of wisdom in conduct and prosperity in circumstances is noteworthy.*

Note 14;

The Inclusiveness of the Covenant.

Consider in verses 10-11

No-one is left out!!!

*Deu 29:10 Ye stand this day all of you before the LORD
your God; your captains of your tribes, your elders, and
your officers, with all the men of Israel,*

*Deu 29:11 Your little ones, your wives, and thy stranger
that is in thy camp, from the hewer of thy wood unto the
drawer of thy water:*

Application.

If you are a member of the Body of Christ you have full
access to all the privileges of the Covenant.

Note 15;

The Meaning of the Covenant.

*Deu 29:12 That thou shouldest enter into covenant with the
LORD thy God, and into his oath, which the LORD thy
God maketh with thee this day:*

Note 16;

The Blessings of the Covenant.

Deu 29:13 That he may establish thee to day for a people unto himself, and that he may be unto thee a God, as he hath said unto thee, and as he hath sworn unto thy fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob.

Note 17;

The Extent of the Covenant.

Deu 29:14 Neither with you only do I make this covenant and this oath;

Deu 29:15 But with *him* that standeth here with us this day before the LORD our God, and also with *him* that is not here with us this day:

Note 18;

In verses 16-17

We have;

The Contrast of the Covenant.

Or; how different the Heathen are in their worship.

Deu 29:16 (For ye know how we have dwelt in the land of Egypt; and how we came through the nations which ye passed by;

Deu 29:17 And ye have seen their abominations, and their idols, wood and stone, silver and gold, which *were* among them:)

Note 19;

The Warning of the Covenant.

Deu 29:18 Lest there should be among you man, or woman, or family, or tribe, whose heart turneth away this day from the LORD our God, to go *and* serve the gods of these nations; lest there should be among you a root that beareth gall and wormwood;

Note 20;

The Misunderstanding of the Covenant.

Deu 29:19 And it come to pass, when he heareth the words of this curse, that he bless himself in his heart, saying, I shall have peace, though I walk in the imagination of mine heart, to add drunkenness to thirst:

Note 21;

The Judgment of the Covenant.

Deu 29:20 The LORD will not spare him, but then the anger of the LORD and his jealousy shall smoke against that man, and all the curses that are written in this book shall lie upon him, and the LORD shall blot out his name from under heaven.

Deu 29:21 And the LORD shall separate him unto evil out of all the tribes of Israel, according to all the curses of the covenant that are written in this book of the law:

Note 22;

The Enduring Shame of Forsaking the Covenant.

Verses 22-28

Deu 29:22 So that the generation to come of your children that shall rise up after you, and the stranger that shall come from a far land, shall say, when they see the plagues of that land, and the sicknesses which the LORD hath laid upon it;

Deu 29:23 And that the whole land thereof is brimstone, and salt, and burning, that it is not sown, nor beareth, nor any grass groweth therein, like the overthrow of Sodom, and Gomorrah, Admah, and Zeboim, which the LORD overthrew in his anger, and in his wrath:

Deu 29:24 Even all nations shall say, Wherefore hath the LORD done thus unto this land? what meaneth the heat of this great anger?

Deu 29:25 Then men shall say, Because they have forsaken the covenant of the LORD God of their fathers, which he made with them when he brought them forth out of the land of Egypt:

Deu 29:26 For they went and served other gods, and worshipped them, gods whom they knew not, and whom he had not given unto them:

Deu 29:27 And the anger of the LORD was kindled against this land, to bring upon it all the curses that are written in this book:

Deu 29:28 And the LORD rooted them out of their land in anger, and in wrath, and in great indignation, and cast them into another land, as it is this day.

Note 23;

The Proper understanding and Application of the Covenant.

Deu 29:29 The secret things belong unto the LORD our God: but those things which are revealed belong unto us and to our children for ever, that we may do all the words of this law.

Note 24;

The Blessings which follow Obedience to the Covenant.

Read Chapter 30: 1-10