

Deuteronomy 1-13

Ch 1

Theme – Beginning of Historical Prologue; call to leave Mt. Sinai (Horeb); leaders appointed; Israel’s refusal to enter land after bad report of the 10 unfaithful spies; consequence for refusal

Ch 2

Theme – Israel commanded to leave Mt. Seir and start toward Promised Land; told not to provoke Seir, Moab, and Ammon; Sihon (king of Heshbon) defeated

Ch 3

Theme – Og (king of Bashan) defeated; land on the East side of the Jordan given to 2 ½ tribes; Moses asked for, but denied permission to go into the Promised Land

Ch 4

Theme – Moses calls the people to obedience; prohibition against slavery; reminder of Israel's special relationship with God; declaration that only God is God; Moses establishes Cities of Refuge on the East side of Jordan; End of Historical Prologue; beginning of Address #2

Ch 5

Theme – Declaration of Ten Commandments; the people are hesitant to draw close to God; God voices His desire for the people to be obedient; God agrees to teach the people through Moses

Ch 6

Theme – Shema; reminder to follow God; principles for how to follow God; responsibility of older generation to teach the younger generation;

Ch 7

Theme – Israel to remain distinct from the people in the land because they are a holy people; God will give them the land if Israel is faithful

Ch 8

Theme – Told to remember what God has done for them; warned not to forget by failing to keep the commandment; blessings if they remember; consequence if they forget

Ch 9

Theme – Israel will not receive the Promised Land because of them; reminder of the failure with the Golden Calf; Moses intercedes for the nation

Ch 10

Theme – Moses commanded to cut out two tablets of stone; tribe of Levi set apart; Moses commanded to lead the people; Israel commanded to conform their hearts to God and be stiff necked no longer

Ch 11

Theme – Command to love the Lord and remember what God has done; God cares for the land that they going to possess which is why it is being entrusted to them; explanation that if they are faithful; God will give the land to them

Ch 12

Theme – Command to tear down places of worship to false gods; seek God at place He chooses; permissions for what may be eaten, where; command not to forget those who serve the nation; warning not to adopt pagan practices

Ch 13

Theme – Warning not to follow ANYONE who wants to pursue other gods; punishment for individuals and cities who follow other gods


