

Titus Women Bible Study

Keeping Covenant – A Look at Deuteronomy

Welcome to Week 3 of Keeping Covenant Bible Study. Below, you will see the scripture passages and theme for each of the remaining weeks of the study. Hopefully, this will help you in your own study of the *Torah*.

May 16 – Deuteronomy 5-7 – Sermon #2 –

The Decalogue – 10 Commandments & *The Shema*

May 23 – Deuteronomy 8-12 – Sermon #2 – Response to the Covenant

May 30 – Deuteronomy 13-18 – Sermon #3 –

Worship, Food, Money, Freedom,

Passover, Worship, Leadership: King, Priest, and Prophet

June 6 – Deuteronomy 19-25 – Sermon #3 – Safe Spaces, True Testimony,

Principles of Warfare, Family Matters, Tithes & Offerings

June 13 – Deuteronomy 26-31 – Sermon #4 – Establishing the Covenant

Covenantal Blessing and Curses,

Renewal of the Covenant, Goodness of God, Life & Death,

Transfer of Leadership

June 20 – Deuteronomy 32-34 – Dawn of New Era

Closing Song, Blessing of Moses, Peak into Promised Land

Homework for this Week: 5/16-5/23

Day 1 – Read Exodus 20 & Deuteronomy 5

Both are accounts of the *Decalogue* – The 10 words of God given to Moses on Mt. Sinai. In Exodus, we read exactly what happened at Mt. Sinai. In Deuteronomy's account, we read a pastoral account a theological interpretation and application of God's actions on Mt. Sinai. Write out the differences that you see in the words that God gives.

Why do you think Moses elaborated a couple of the commandments for his people? Remember, Moses is a pastor, and he is trying to remind a new generation of the covenant made on Mt. Sinai.

Read 5:1-3. Why does Moses say that the covenant was not made with their ancestors but with them? What is he saying about this covenant with YHWH?

Why is it important that God identifies Himself by His personal name?

In verse six, God gives the prologue to the *10 Words*.

How does He identify Himself?

How does He identify them?

What can we learn from that relationship in terms of covenant?

Why is it important that the people could not claim their promised land until the covenant was renewed?

Day 2 – Read Deuteronomy 6. This is the great *Shema* of the Old Testament.

Outline this chapter to get it fully in your mind. What impresses you about chapter 6?

Write out the attributes of God, the promises of God, and the warnings of God.

This chapter is written in terms of family, past, present, and future? Why? Why does family matter to YHWH?

Read verse twenty-four. What are God's intentions for His covenant people?

Day 3: Read chapter 7.

This is one of the most difficult passages because it deals with the destruction of the surrounding nations. It also has some of the most precious promises in it. Remember we do not have to be afraid of our questions. We lay them before the Lord and ask Him to answer them in His time.

As you read this chapter, what stands out to you? What are the characteristics of God that you see?

Is there anything in this chapter that troubles you? How can you understand considering the story of the Exodus, Sinai and the first six chapters of Deuteronomy?

There was to be NO assimilation with surrounding peoples. Why did God want a people totally His own without any outside influences?

I love verses 7-9. Write out the promises here? Write out the warning in verse 10-11. Apply those to your own life.

In verses 17-26, Moses portrays a possible scenario. What are the promises of God for the future? What is Moses trying desperately to help the new generation understand (perhaps better than their parents did)?

Day 4 – Read chapters 8-9.

Take a couple of highlighters or colored pencils and look for repeated words. What does this tell you about this Covenant with YHWH?

Look at the verses listed below and write out the instructions given to the people as Moses teaches them how to *live* (not just make) in covenant with YHWH?

Vs. 1 – Be careful.

Vs 6 – Observe

Vs 10 – Praise

Vs 11 – Be Careful

Vs 18 - Remember

Read chapter 9-10:10. They are the historical record of what happened when Israel committed idolatry? Why is this included here? What is Moses trying to help them remember?

Explain the intimacy of Moses' relationship with God in these chapters? What do you learn about Moses and YHWH?

What do you learn about prayer in these chapters?

How can we use this picture of Moses and YHWH to help us understand covenantal commitment and what it means for those we carry in our hearts?

Day 5: Read chapter 10:12-11:32

Outline the end of this second sermon.

Vs 10:12 – What does YHWH ask of you? Write out the details of this paragraph – line by line.

Do not rush on this day! Each phrase matters. Use this passage as a prayer prompt for your own covenant with Jesus.

Bonus Homework 😊 – Go back and read the first eleven chapters of Deuteronomy in one sitting. Ask the Lord to quicken your heart to understand and appropriate His covenantal love for you and for your family and for all your generations yet to come.