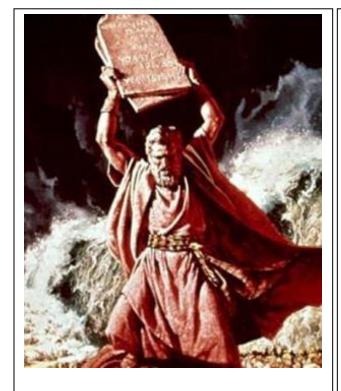
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Chapters 9 & 10 Israel's Rebellion / Second Pair of Tablets / The Essence of the Law - In this chapter the Israelites are assured of the ejection of the Canaanites, though so great and mighty, to make room for them. The lesson of this chapter is exactly that of Eph 2:8, "By grace are you saved through faith; and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God: not of works, lest any man should boast."

Review: In chapter 8 the Israelites (as well as ourselves) were reminded to remember the Lord your God when they go into the land which God has promised them, they will almost immediately become much more prosperous. The Lord, speaking through Moses said, beware lest you forget the Lord Your God who has brought you out of bondage in Egypt; sustained you completely for 40 years in the wilderness; has led you into the Promised Land, driving out your enemies. Lest you forget Who has given you all this and you become prideful, taking credit yourself, and forget to give thanks to the Lord. And then become less obedient and forget from when He brought you! Because that will most certainly lead to the withdrawal of His blessings and eventually you will be destroyed!

- To start praising self for the blessings we experience.
- Not from God, but from my own hard work, my talent, my ingenuity
- Stop being thankful
- Stop or lessen being obedient
- Forget from where we came from
- Is my life characterized by regular thanksgiving to God for all things!
- Is my life characterized by regular lessening of obedience to God's word!
- Are you forgetting where you came from, before the LORD?



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It is you Lord who came to save the heart and soul of every man It is you Lord who knows my weakness whom gives me strength which I don't have.

Lord prepare me to be a sanctuary, Pure and holy, Tried and true. With Thanksgiving I'll be a living sanctuary for you

Lead me on Lord from temptations and purify me from within Fill my heart, Lord, with your Holy Spirit and take away, take away, all my sins.

Lord prepare me to be a sanctuary, Pure and holy, Tried and true. With Thanksgiving, I'll be a living sanctuary for you (2X)

A sanctuary for you (2X)

Isa 1:18 "Come now, and let us reason together," Says the LORD, "Though your sins are like scarlet, They shall be as white as snow; Though they are red like crimson, They shall be as wool.

White As Snow – Maranatha Singers

White as snow, white as snow, Though my sins were as scarlet. Lord I know, Lord I know that I'm clean and forgiven Through the power of your blood.

Through the wonder of your love, Through faith in you I know that I can be white as snow. (3X)

White as snow, white as snow, white as snow

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<u>A Chosen People</u>; <u>Moses speaking the importance</u> <u>of obedience to the people</u>:

Deu 9:1 "Hear, O Israel: You are to cross over the Jordan today, and go in to dispossess nations greater and mightier than yourself, cities great and fortified up to heaven, Deu 9:2 a people great and tall, the descendants of the Anakim, whom you know, and of whom you heard it said, 'Who can stand before the descendants of Anak?' Deu 9:3 Therefore understand today that the LORD your God is He who goes over before you as a consuming fire. He will destroy them and bring them down before you; so you shall drive them out and destroy them quickly, as the LORD has said to you.

Deu 9:4 "Do not think in your heart, after the LORD your God has cast them out before you, saying, 'Because of my righteousness the LORD has brought me in to possess this land'; but it is because of the wickedness of these nations that the LORD is driving them out from before you. Deu 9:5 It is not because of your righteousness or the

Deu 9:5 It is not because of your righteousness or the uprightness of your heart that you go in to possess their land, but because of the wickedness of these nations that the LORD your God drives them out from before you, and that He may fulfill the word which the LORD swore to your fathers, to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob.

Deu 9:6 Therefore understand that the LORD your God is not giving you this good land to possess because of your righteousness, for you are a stiff-necked people.

Deu 9:7 "Remember! Do not forget how you provoked the LORD your God to wrath in the wilderness. From the day that you departed from the land of Egypt until you came to this place, you have been rebellious against the LORD. Deu 9:8 Also in Horeb you provoked the LORD to wrath, so that the LORD was angry enough with you to have destroyed

you.

Deu 9:9 When I went up into the mountain to receive the tablets of stone, the tablets of the covenant which the LORD made with you, then I stayed on the mountain forty days and forty nights. I neither ate bread nor drank water.

Deu 9:10 Then the LORD delivered to me two tablets of stone written with the finger of God, and on them were all the words

which the LORD had spoken to you on the mountain from the

midst of the fire in the day of the assembly.

<u>V. 1</u> This time; they had come 38 years before to the verge of the promised land, but were not permitted at that day or time to pass over, because of their rebellions and unbelief.

Vs. 2-3 A people great and tall, the children of the Anakim, whom you know, and of whom you have feared. Understand therefore this day, that the LORD your God is he which goes over before thee; as a consuming fire he shall destroy them, and he shall bring them down before thy face: so shalt thou drive them out, and destroy them quickly. "Don't fear," "Don't panic. God is going to blaze a trail before you. As a consuming fire, He's going to take care of those seemingly insurmountable problems, the Anakim."

Vs. 4-7 "Don't think that the blessings you enjoy are because of your power or your ability," Moses continues. "And don't think when the enemy is driven out it's because of your righteousness. It's not about your righteousness, but about God's divine purpose." This comforts me because I realize what happens in this ministry, in my family, in my life personally is not dependent upon my righteousness but upon God's purpose. Therefore, because He wants to do certain things in this community, in this fellowship, in my family, I can expect Him to go before me as a flaming fire. And that way, He gets all the glory.

Vs. 8-14 While Moses was on the mountain alone with God for forty days, the people were sinning down below. "I'm going to destroy these people and make of you a new nation," God said to him. Would Moses accept the offer? Wait a minute. This sounds strangely familiar to another test after a forty-day fast... "Bow down to me," Satan said to Jesus, "and the entire world will be yours" (see Matthew 4:8, 9). The similarities are neither coincidental nor accidental. Rather, they show us that what God uses to test us, Satan uses to tempt us. God tests us to work good in us, to show Himself strong through us. Satan, on the other hand, tempts us in order to destroy us. Whenever you're tempted, realize that God uses what Satan means as a temptation for a test. Conversely, whenever you're going through a test from God, Satan will jump on it and make it a temptation. James makes it clear that God does not tempt any man to do evil (1:13). Like a car manufacturer who puts his car through rigorous tests in order to showcase its capabilities, when God tests you, He's not saying, "I hope you don't fall apart." No, He says, "I know what I've built into you. And I will not allow you to be tested above what you're able" (1 Corinthians 10:13). The test He sends our way is not Him saying, "I wonder what's going to happen." It's Him saying, "Look what I've done." This makes murmuring or complaining or whining a sin. "Pipe down," God would say to us. "It's only a test. I know what I've built into you. I know the work I've done deep within you." God knew Moses would pass this test. Cf. Elijah-1 Kings 19:8

As and when God works in our lives, He does not work in our lives because we are righteous, because we deserve the blessings of God. But He works in our life through His grace, and those things that God does for us, He does by virtue of His grace. It has nothing to do with our capabilities and our deeds.

- <u>v. 1</u> Listen up, Israel, you are to cross over today! Are we listening to the daily commands of God?
- $\underline{v.2}$ They are being reminded of what the spies reported forty earlier then they disbelieved? Are we missing the blessings of God through unbelief?
- <u>v. 3</u> Oh what a secret this is for life. How often we get so absorbed with our problems! We're so overwhelmed by the immensity of the problem that we're facing. It seems that there is no solution and there's no way out. We are prone to despair, because we've got our eyes on the problem, not on the Lord! <u>v. 4 & 5</u> God knew His people so well, He knew they, because of their pride, would tend give themselves credit for the blessings He will be giving them! How easy it is for us to subtly or openly take the credit to ourselves for His many blessings to us. "You deserve it" the world says!
- <u>v. 6</u> Not only did they not deserve the blessings. They really "undeserved" any blessings. They were called "stiff-necked people", which is a term the Lord uses 9 times in the Bible, to describe their stubbornness and rebelliousness. **How aware are we of our tendency to do that as well to be stubborn and rebellious?**
- <u>v. 7 & 8</u> God proceeds to give them examples of their being a stiffnecked people. When on judgment day, what will our "life films" or videos show?
- <u>v. 9</u> God miraculously, supernaturally, sustains Moses for 40 days without food and water! Can you imagine what those 40 days fasts and time with God, must have been like?

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Deu 9:11 And it came to pass, at the end of forty days and forty nights, that the LORD gave me the two tablets of stone, the tablets of the covenant.

Deu 9:12 ''Then the LORD said to me, 'Arise, go down quickly from here, for your people whom you brought out of Egypt have acted corruptly; they have quickly turned aside from the way which I commanded them; they have made themselves a molded image.' Deu 9:13 ''Furthermore the LORD spoke to me, saying, 'I have seen this people, and indeed they are a stiff-necked people. Deu 9:14 Let Me alone, that I may destroy them and blot out their name from under heaven; and I will make of you a nation mightier and greater than they.'

Deu 9:15 "So I turned and came down from the mountain, and the mountain burned with fire; and the two tablets of the covenant were in my two hands.

Deu 9:16 And I looked, and behold, you had sinned against the LORD your God—had made for yourselves a molded calf! You had turned aside quickly from the way which the LORD had commanded you.

Deu 9:17 Then I took the two tablets and threw them out of my two hands and broke them before your eyes.

Deu 9:18 And I fell down before the LORD, as at the first, forty days and forty nights; I neither ate bread nor drank water, because of all your sin which you committed in doing wickedly in the sight of the LORD, to provoke Him to anger.

Deu 9:19 For I was afraid of the anger and hot displeasure with which the LORD was angry with you, to destroy you. But the LORD listened to me at that time also.

Deu 9:20 And the LORD was very angry with Aaron and would have destroyed him; so I prayed for Aaron also at the same time. Deu 9:21 Then I took your sin, the calf which you had made, and burned it with fire and crushed it and ground it very small, until it was as fine as dust; and I threw its dust into the brook that descended from the mountain.

Deu 9:22 "Also at Taberah and Massah and Kibroth Hattaavah you provoked the LORD to wrath.

Deu 9:23 Likewise, when the LORD sent you from Kadesh Barnea, saying, 'Go up and possess the land which I have given you,' then you rebelled against the commandment of the LORD your God, and you did not believe Him nor obey His voice. Vs. 8-14 (cont'd) He wasn't tempting him to sin. Rather, He was testing him, knowing he would come through with flying colors. If you're tempted by Satan, God intends it as a test to see you through. If you're tested by the Father, Satan will jump on it to tempt you. That's why the Greek word for "test" and "temptation" is the same word. Moses would pass the test. Jesus would beat back the temptation. So when that temptation comes strolling up to you tomorrow, know it's a test from God and He won't test you above that which you are able.

Vs. 15-21 As he recounts his time on Mount Sinai, Moses say, "The first forty days, I was worshiping. The second forty, I was warring. The first time, my heart was touched and I came down with God's Word. The second time, I fought for you in intercession lest you be destroyed because of your sin and rebellion." Anyone who wants to minister must be both a worshiper and a warrior, battling in prayer on behalf of people. Yet lest we think were it not for Moses' intercession, the people would have been destroyed, that Moses had to "calm God down," who put a heart of intercession in Moses in the first place? Justice demanded judgment, but, looking for a reason to show mercy, God put it in the heart of Moses to be an intercessor. God did it all.

V. 22 ...at Taberah... The account of what happened at Taberah is found in Numbers 11. The people complained; the Lord heard them; and a fire was kindled which consumed them. What were they complaining about? Evidently it was something so insignificant that Scripture doesn't even record it. ...at Massah... At Massah the people complained about a lack of water (Exodus 17). ...at Kibroth-Hattaavah, ye provoked the LORD to wrath. "We want meat to eat," the people had said. "We're tired of this manna." So God sent them so much quail to eat that it came out of their nostrils. And many of the people were killed by their own lust (Numbers 11:33).

V. 23 When they came to the boundary of the Promised Land, the Lord said, "Take it." The people, however, refused. Why? There were giants in the land. "Why should we go in there? Our children might die," the fathers might have said. "I know it's a land that flows with milk and honey," the wives might have said, "but the wilderness isn't such a bad place. We're together as a family. We home-school our kids. God is in our midst. The tabernacle is close by. The Shekinah glory is seen. Manna comes down every day. This is a fine place to be." "But it's not the Promised Land," God would say. "There aren't grapes the size of basketballs. There's no milk and honey. There's no destiny." "Yes," the people would say, "but there's also no risk."

<u>vs. 10-12</u> A After God gives Moses the Ten Commandments, He lets Moses know of the people corrupting themselves and calls him, tells him, to "Arise go down quickly". Moses responds! How faithful are we to His call for action?
<u>vs. 13-14</u> God's repeats the Israelites' being stiff-necked" and tells Moses that He is provoked enough to destroy them, but

tells Moses that He is provoked enough to destroy them, but He also tells Moses, "Let Me alone"!!! Can we see a call to "stand in the gap" – for intercessory prayer here! Is He calling us to that today?

<u>vs. 15-17</u> Before he could even come down from the mountain with the tablets, **the law of God, they've already violated and broken the law. So**, "You're not such a righteous people. It isn't because of your righteousness that God has brought you into this place".

<u>vs.18-19</u> Again God supernaturally sustains Moses for 40 days without food or water as Moses fast and intercedes because of Israel's sin.

Do you know that Jesus is constantly doing that for us, as well? **Heb 7:25** Therefore He is also able to save to the uttermost those who come to God through Him, <u>since He always lives to</u> make intercession for them.

<u>vs. 20-21</u> Here we're told of God's great anger against Aaron for what he had done. Note the faithfulness of Moses in responding and in praying? How faithful would we have been in such a situation? Can you imagine the scope of God's grace is later establishing Aaron as the Priest for Israel?

<u>vs. 22-24</u> God continues in His bringing the their memory of their past rebelliousness? What is our response when that occurs with us?

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- Deu 9:24 You have been rebellious against the LORD from the day that I knew you.
- Deu 9:25 "Thus I prostrated myself before the LORD; forty days and forty nights I kept prostrating myself, because the LORD had said He would destroy you.
- Deu 9:26 Therefore I prayed to the LORD, and said: 'O Lord GOD, do not destroy Your people and Your inheritance whom You have redeemed through Your greatness, whom You have brought out of Egypt with a mighty hand.
- Deu 9:27 Remember Your servants, Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; do not look on the stubbornness of this people, or on their wickedness or their sin,
- Deu 9:28 lest the land from which You brought us should say, "Because the LORD was not able to bring them to the land which He promised them, and because He hated them, He has brought them out to kill them in the wilderness."
- Deu 9:29 Yet they are Your people and Your inheritance, whom You brought out by Your mighty power and by Your outstretched arm.'
- Deu 10:1 "At that time the LORD said to me, 'Hew for yourself two tablets of stone like the first, and come up to Me on the mountain and make yourself an ark of wood.
- Deu 10:2 And I will write on the tablets the words that were on the first tablets, which you broke; and you shall put them in the ark'
- Deu 10:3 "So I made an ark of acacia wood, hewed two tablets of stone like the first, and went up the mountain, having the two tablets in my hand.
- Deu 10:4 Ånd He wrote on the tablets according to the first writing, the Ten Commandments, which the LORD had spoken to you in the mountain from the midst of the fire in the day of the assembly; and the LORD gave them to me.
- Deu 10:5 Then I turned and came down from the mountain, and put the tablets in the ark which I had made; and there they are, just as the LORD commanded me."
- Deu 10:6 (Now the children of Israel journeyed from the wells of Bene Jaakan to Moserah, where Aaron died, and where he was buried; and Eleazar his son ministered as priest in his stead. Deu 10:7 From there they journeyed to Gudgodah, and from Gudgodah to Jotbathah, a land of rivers of water.
- Deu 10:8 At that time the LORD separated the tribe of Levi to bear the ark of the covenant of the LORD, to stand before the LORD to minister to Him and to bless in His name, to this day. Deu 10:9 Therefore Levi has no portion nor inheritance with his brethren; the LORD is his inheritance, just as the LORD your God promised him.)

- V. 24 "Don't you see where you've been as a people?" Moses says lovingly but honestly to the congregation, for in rebelling against the Lord, they lost the Promised Land. Are you happy tonight? When I'm not happy, I know it's because I've not done what the Lord told me to do. I have not gone where He commanded me to go.
- *Vs.* 25-29 "For forty days I fought on behalf of you, I prayed for you," Moses reminds the people. I'm so glad God raised up an even Greater than Moses for me—my Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ who ever lives to intercede for me (Hebrews 7:25).
- Vs. 1-2. "Carve two more stone tablets and come back to the mountain," the Lord had said to Moses after Moses had broken the original tablets when he saw the children of Israel worshiping the golden calf (Exodus 32). "Bring the ark, and I will write the commandments again." Notice that God didn't change His mind. Whether people succeed at keeping it or whether they fail in it, God's Word remains written in stone.
- Vs. 3-5 As Moses continues to remind the people of their history, he says, "This time I didn't carry the commandments in my hand as I had done previously, for God instructed me to put them in the ark." The lid on top of the ark was called the mercy seat. And it was at the mercy seat that God would meet with His people (Exodus 25:22). In this, I find a wonderful balance. You see, because the Law of the Lord is perfect, I must bow my knee and say to Him constantly, "What You say is true, Lord. And by Your grace, I will do what You tell me to do." And I also realize that because the Law is perfect, it points out my failings and shortcomings. But God doesn't meet us in the ark, where the Law is kept. He meets us at the mercy seat—where the blood is sprinkled. And I'm so glad about that.

 Vs. 6-9 The tribe of Levi was to be those to minister to the Lord. Why? The story is told in Exodus 32—when Moses came down the mountain the first time, seeing the children of Israel worshiping the
- mountain the first time, seeing the children of Israel worshiping the golden calf, he said, "Who is on the Lord's side? Who will deal with this situation?" Only one tribe stepped up: the tribe of Levi. From that point on, Levi would be the tribe of ministry because they took the sword in the fear of the Lord. The other tribes said, "We don't want to get involved." And that can all too often be our tendency as well. Yet if we're not willing to wield the sword of Scripture in love and say, "This cannot go on. This needs to be thought through and cut away," we cannot be servants of the Lord. We need to be those who are merciful and loving enough to say to the people we care about those who are involved in sin, "I care about you and am committed to you. Therefore, I'm not going to hold back the truth from you." This is not anger and hostility, judgment and condemnation. It's love and compassion, kindness and mercy.

- <u>vs. 25- 26</u> Many believe this is **the third time Moses fasted**, **prayed and spent time with the Lord**, that the Lord would not destroy them. **How about those that appear presently, to be lost? Are you committing to really interceding for them?**
- v. 27 Moses is standing on the promises of God, made to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob. Do we usually make it a real point in our prayers of standing on the promises of God?
 v. 28-29 Next Moses makes his concern over God's glory and reputation being at stake, in that His enemies could say that although He was able to bring them out, He was not able to sustain them. Are you concerned about God's glory and reputation in your

prayers?

<u>v. 1-5</u> God directs Moses this time to make the two tablets of stone; and ark of wood and come up himself to the mountain top again. That He would again write the Ten Commandments on the two tablets and that the two tablets be put in the ark of acacia wood. God wrote on the two tablets as at the first time and Moses came down from the mountain and put the tablets n the ark **Notice Moses continued obedience. How is our continuing obedience to Him?**

vs. 8-9 Moses is evidently here speaking of the election by God of the tribe of Levi at large, priests and others also, for His own service. In Exodus 32:26-28, we're told of the faithfulness of the tribe of Levi in meeting out God's judgment in the golden calf incident. Do you think God knows and remembers all things?

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Deu 10:10 "As at the first time, I stayed in the mountain forty days and forty nights; the LORD also heard me at that time, and the LORD chose not to destroy you.

Deu 10:11 Then the LORD said to me, 'Arise, begin your journey before the people, that they may go in and possess the land which I swore to their fathers to give them.'

Deu 10:12 "And now, Israel, what does the LORD your God require of you, but to fear the LORD your God, to walk in all His ways and to love Him, to serve the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul,

Deu 10:13 and to keep the commandments of the LORD and His statutes which I command you today for your good?

Deu 10:14 Indeed heaven and the highest heavens belong to the LORD your God, also the earth with all that is in it.

Deu 10:15 The LORD delighted only in your fathers, to love them; and He chose their descendants after them, you above all peoples, as it is this day.

Deu 10:16 Therefore circumcise the foreskin of your heart, and be stiff-necked no longer.

Deu 10:17 For the LORD your God is God of gods and Lord of lords, the great God, mighty and awesome, who shows no partiality nor takes a bribe.

Deu 10:18 He administers justice for the fatherless and the widow, and loves the stranger, giving him food and clothing. Deu 10:19 Therefore love the stranger, for you were strangers in the land of Egypt.

Deu 10:20 You shall fear the LORD your God; you shall serve Him, and to Him you shall hold fast, and take oaths in His name.

Deu 10:21 He is your praise, and He is your God, who has done for you these great and awesome things which your eyes have seen.

Deu 10:22 Your fathers went down to Egypt with seventy persons, and now the LORD your God has made you as the stars of heaven in multitude.

V. 10 God had offered Moses a very interesting opportunity when He said He would destroy the people and make of Moses a new nation. Moses said, "No, Lord, don't do that. The Egyptians will say that You slaughtered Your own people, that You were unable to keep the promises You made to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob that their seed would inherit the land. You can't go back on Your Word." And I'm sure Moses' answer brought a smile to the heart of God, showing as it did, that he cared more about God's reputation than his own opportunity to be the head of a mighty nation.

Vs. 11-13 "God spared you," Moses said to the congregation. "And now what does He require of you? Simply that you love Him with all your heart and do what His Word tells you for your own good."

Vs. 14-15 "Everything is God's, but He chose you to be His children."

V. 16 As He did with Israel, God chose us. He has shown great mercy to us. Therefore, let's be tenderhearted towards our Father, thankful to Him for all He's done.

Vs. 17-19 "Love God and love the stranger, too, because you were once strangers yourselves," Moses said. Sometimes we forget that, like Israel, we were strangers, sinners in bondage to the world of which Egypt is a picture. Jesus both loved and was loved by strangers—by lepers, prostitutes, and tax collectors. He confronted the self-righteous yet loved the sinner. All too often, we have this reversed. Jesus was embraced by the masses, but the religious establishment was uncomfortable around Him. All too often, the religious establishment is comfortable with me, while the sinner is uncomfortable. And this ought not be.

Vs. 20-22 "Look how you've grown," Moses said. "Look what God has done. Seventy people became three million." And so I say to you. Look how you've grown. Look what God has done. You're bigger people, deeper in your understanding of the Lord, more passionate in your love for the Lord. God has multiplied you. He's done great and glorious things in you—all because of His mercy, His goodness, His grace.

<u>v. 10</u> Notice that once again, we see the importance of prayer and that God answers!! – "The LORD also heard me at that time, and the LORD chose not to destroy you" Can you visualize that same or similar situation when we pray for the lost?

v. 11 Not only will God not destroy them for their sin, but now indicates they will continue and go in and possess the land. Can you think of the many times, He has forgiven us and continues in His plan of completion for us?

<u>vs. 12-13</u> Here is the summary of what God is requiring Israel to do, in light of all that He has faithfully done for them:

- to fear the LORD your God,
- to walk in all His ways and
- to love Him,
- <u>to serve</u> the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul, [13] and
- <u>to keep</u> the commandments of the LORD and His statutes which I command you today for your good?

Here we see God's heart for us as well. How are we measuring up?

<u>vs. 14-16</u> Moses reviews the awesomeness and God's delight in their fathers; therefore they are to circumcise the foreskin of their hearts and be stiff-necked no longer? That's precisely what He wants for us as well!

vs. 17-19 Moses again goes back to the faithfulness, the awesomeness and the goodness of God. He tells them that their response is to love the stranger, for you were strangers in the land of Egypt.

v. 20 Continuing in what they were to do:

- You shall fear the LORD your God;
- you shall serve Him, and t
- Him you shall hold fast, and
- take oaths in His name

Again, how are we measuring up?

<u>v. 21-22</u> He is your praise, and He is your God! He faithful. He had promised Abraham they would go into bondage and come out a great nation- a multitude numbering the stars! He did it! They went in with about 70 persons and came out about 400 years with probably 2 million or more! **Are we including God's faithfulness in our prayers?**

DEUTRONOMY CHAPTERS 9-10 A Chosen People; Blessings of Obedience; Remember the Lord Your God

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