

## Life-Study of Deuteronomy Summary - Messages 6–10

### The Rehearsal of the Law

The rehearsal of the law is the respeaking of the law. This was **for the training of the new generation** after the purging of the old generation through their wandering of thirty-eight years in the wilderness.

The Ten Commandments were the covenant God made with Israel at Horeb, especially with the present new generation of Israel. **The Ten Commandments are the base of the entire law.** In the book of Deuteronomy the Ten Commandments are also called the “ten words”. In Deut. 5:16 we have the fifth commandment. **The commandment to honour our parents is the first commandment with a promise.** It is very significant that the commandment to honour our parents is included with the commandments related to God. This indicates that **we should honour our parents even as we honour God.**

Moses charged the children of Israel to keep the commandments, statutes, and judgments of God that they may live long, that it may go well with them, and that they may be greatly increased in the land flowing with milk and honey. Moses went on to speak of loving Jehovah with all their heart, soul, and might. **Today we need to love Christ, keep Christ, teach Christ, wear Christ, and write Christ.**

After the children of Israel had been brought by God into the promised land as their inheritance, they were to utterly destroy all the nations. According to the divine thought, **these nations had to be exterminated because they were devilish and mingled with demons.** Today God loves us, blesses us, and multiplies us because we keep His Christ. It is in Christ that we receive and enjoy God’s blessings. God is with us in Christ.

Moses charged the children of Israel concerning **nine matters**: fearing Jehovah their God, walking in all His ways, loving Him, serving Him with all their heart and all their soul, keeping His commandments and statutes for their good, circumcising the foreskin of their heart, not being stiff-necked any longer, holding fast to Him, and swearing by His name, who is their praise and their God.

In 11:8-25 we see that if the children of Israel were willing to keep Moses’ words of advice and warning, they would receive certain blessings. **Today if we keep Christ, we will receive blessings from God.** If we today keep Christ and hold fast to Christ, we will be strengthened and encouraged to go on to possess Christ. The more we contact the Lord and enjoy Him, the more we are strengthened and encouraged to press on to gain Him. For us today, the promised land is Christ, and our days may be extended not upon Christ but in Christ and with Christ. The third blessing is the blessing of the rain. For us as believers in Christ today, the rain is the Spirit. Under the heavenly watering of the Spirit, we are not dry.

We today should lay Christ on our heart and on our soul. We should bind Christ on our hand as a sign or symbol; that is, we should bind Christ to everything related to us and to everything that is an expression of us. We should also wear Christ as a frontlet between our eyes and teach Christ to others, speaking of Christ wherever we may be. This means that **all the time and everywhere we should be occupied with Christ.**

In chapter 12, Moses charged the children of Israel concerning the way to worship God. In the church life today, we should give up all the ways and practices of the nations. **We must worship God with Christ and with Christ alone. We should gather together in the name of the Lord and worship God with Christ as the reality of all the offerings and sacrifices. We should bring Christ to God in the place of His choice.**

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