

Deuteronomy 27-29 Daily Study Questions (cont)

4. In Deut 28:15-26 where would curses occur because of disobedience (v15-19)? Specifically what some of these curses be (v20, 21, 22, 23-24, 25-26)?

5. Based on 28:27-48 list some more results of disobedience (v27, 28-29, 30-33, 35, 36, 38-42, 43-44). What would result (v34, 37, 45-46, 48) and why (v47)?

6. Looking at 28:49-57 what other devastating thing would occur (v49-50) and why would this be so bad (v51, 52-57)?

7. Using 28:58-68 what other effects would their disobedience have (v59-61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66-67, 68)? Why (v58)? What point is God making?

8. From 29:1-13 who made the covenant (v1, 10-11, 12), and what was its backdrop (v2-3, 4, 5, 6, 7-9)? What was God's goal for them (v13)?

9. According to 29:14-21 who else was making this covenant (v14-17). What might occur that made important to state this truth (v18-19, 20-21)? Apply.

10. In 29:22-29 what would be the effect of God's discipline (v22, 23, 24-28). What principle, then, should guide them (v29)? How does this relate to us?

11. When you think about Deut 27-29 what principles of God's discipline are seen—the cause, the stages, the results, etc. How could Israel have avoided this, and how can we? What could we have instead?

Scripture to Remember

“The secret things belong to the Lord our God, but the things revealed belong to us and to our sons forever, that we may observe all the words of this law.”

Deuteronomy 29:29 (NASV)

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Life Group Questions—Loving My Security (1 John 2:18-24)

(Using- questions based on today's message, Life Groups meet in homes to build supportive relationships with others at Celebration Fellowship that enable us to grow in Christ.)

1. The “doomsday clock” is set at 5 minutes to midnight. How do you react to the fact that the end of the world/return of Christ might be very near?
2. Read 1John 2:18-24. What is one evidence that the end of the world is near? Why is knowing the truth important to be able to act appropriately?
3. Of the three uses of “antichrist” (an attitude, Christ-opposers, or the Antichrist) which have you encountered most? How do you deal with this?
4. Why does professing the truth have to be supplemented with persevering in the truth? How do we know someone (even ourselves) is persevering?
5. Talk about the necessity of affirming the deity of Christ and the uniqueness of Christ to be “in the truth”.
6. Discuss how you are becoming a student of the truth and staying close to the cross. Where do you need work on this?
7. If there is time discuss anything else meaningful to you from the message Sunday.



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As Plain As the Nose... Introduction to Deuteronomy 27-29



We must leave a legacy of God's Word for the next generation.

The 5 Purposes of the Purpose Driven Life

- **Worship**—You were planned for God's pleasure
- **Fellowship**—You were formed for God's family
- **Discipleship**—You were created to become like Christ
- **Ministry**—You were shaped for serving God
- **Evangelism**—You were made for a mission

When something is blatantly obvious we say it is as "plain as the nose on our face". In this week's study God wanted to insure that the advantages for Israel by keeping His covenant were as "plain as the nose on their faces", so through Moses He undertook to explain in detail the results of obedience and disobedience. He began by listing the curses and blessings, but interestingly the curses were given first. These were to be written on large stones coated with lime and were to be spoken in front of sacrificial altars set up in Canaan. Six of the tribes were to recite the blessings standing on Mt Gerizim and six were declare the curses from Mt Ebal. These curses all related to practices that could be done without anyone knowing, so God strengthened the prohibitions

with curses. God then outlined the blessings of obedience; they would be blessed everywhere they went and in everything they did. They would rule over their enemies, their economy would be robust, and they would be God's special people. He would multiply them, their land would be prosperous, and He would make them first among the nations. However, in the next section He dealt extensively with the consequences of disobedience. All of the blessings would be reversed if they disobeyed. They would experience confusion, pestilence, diseases, mildew and drought. Thus there would be scarcity and death. Furthermore their enemies would be victorious against them and they would be constantly on the run. They would fail to see the fruit of everything they attempted to do. Nations would

besiege them and they would even eat one another! Their end would be destruction. With this backdrop the call for covenant was then given, not only to the ones present, but also to all future generations. God promised to bless them if they followed Him; but if they or anyone who else stubbornly refused, thinking that they wouldn't receive His discipline, the Lord's full anger would fall on them. All would see God's discipline and would know that they had brought it upon themselves. He made the consequences as plain as the nose on their faces.

Daily Study Questions for Deuteronomy 27-29

(For answers to questions attend an ABF or go to <http://www.thehospitalchurch.com/LifeGuides.html>—lesson notes)

<p>1. Look at Deuteronomy 27:1-14. What were the people told to do (v1, 2-4, 5-6, 7, 8) and by whom (v1)? What did Moses and the priests urge (v9, 10). How would this be done (v11-14)? What's the point?</p>	
<p>2. From 27:15-26 list and explain the 12 curses. What do you think these have in common (v15, 24)? Why does God curse evil that is done in secretly?</p>	
<p>3. Using 28:1-14 what blessings did God promise (v1, 3-6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13)? What was the condition (v1, 2, 9, 13-14)?</p>	

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