These are the Words
A Study of Deuteronomy

A Kind and Gentle Nation
Deuteronomy 24:1-26:15
Lesson 12

Trinity Bible Church Sunday School
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Deuteronomy

- The Second Law – These are the Words
- Ready to enter the Promised Land
- First message (1-4)
- Deut 4:31 – the faithfulness of the LORD
- Deut 4:39-40 – the duty to serve the LORD
- Deut 1:32 – Israel did not trust the LORD their God
Second message (5-26)

- **Part 1: 5-11 – the Law and the Covenant**
  - Love for God and righteousness
  - The character of God
  - The character of Israel
  - A blessing and a curse

- **Part 2: 12-26 – the statutes and judgments**
  - Not like the godless pagans
  - Centered around the place where the LORD would put His Name
  - A holy people – a union of temporal and spiritual life
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- Compassion
- Devotion to the LORD
- The blessing of the LORD
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- **Marriage and divorce (24:1-4)**
  - Divorce in the books of Moses
    - Lev 21:7, 14; 22:13; Num 30:9
    - Jeremiah 3:1
    - Matthew 5:31-32
  - “some indecency”
  - Second marriage and second divorce
  - No return to first husband

- **Historical application**
  - Isaiah 50:1 and Jeremiah 3:8
  - Defiled and an abomination to God
  - No return to the LORD her God
  - Galatians 3:22
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(24:5-25:19)

- A new marriage (24:5)
- A pledge (25:6)
- Kidnapping (24:7)
- Leprosy (24:8-9)
- Loan to a neighbor (24:10-13)
- Kindness to a hired servant who is poor (24:14-15)
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- Personal responsibility (24:16)
- Justice for the weak (24:17-18)
- Harvest laws (24:19-22)
- Justice without degradation (25:1-3)
- Not muzzle the ox (25:4)
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- Levirate marriage (25:5-10)
  - Brother-in-law duty – to preserve an inheritance for his brother
  - Matt. 22:23-33 – a “trap” for Jesus, the Author of the Law

- Two men struggling together (25:11-12)

- Perfect and righteous measures (25:13-16)

- Remember Amalek (25:17-19)
A land devoted to God (26:1-15)

- The first fruits of the Land (26:1-2)
  - The inheritance of the nation forever (Psalm 105:11)

- Two Songs of Moses
  - The inheritance of the LORD forever (Exodus 15:17-18)
  - The Nation and the Land are the LORD’S inheritance (Ex. 32:8-9, 43)
A land devoted to God (26:1-15)

- The testimony of the giver (26:3-11)
  - The Covenant – promise sworn to the Fathers to give this Land
  - The Redemption – deliverance from Egypt – unworthy nation
  - The Blessing – a land flowing with milk and honey
  - Worship (26:10)
  - Rejoicing (26:11)
The third year tithe (26:12-15)

› Annual feast (Deut. 14:22-27)
› Third year tithe to the Levite, alien, orphans and widows
› None for self and none contaminated
› A statement of obedience to the LORD
› Love the LORD your God and your neighbor as yourself (Matt 22:40)
› On these two commands hang all the blessings of God
› The need for the grace of God in the Lord Jesus Christ
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▶ What is the purpose of all these commandments? (Deuteronomy 6:20-25)
▶ A matter of life and death – the blessing and the curse
▶ Third message: Deuteronomy 27-32 – the dilemma and the solution