

**These are the Words**  
*A Study of Deuteronomy*

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

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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

# **A Kind and Gentle Nation**

- ▶ **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