
Old Testament Israel: Law, Judges, Kingdoms

Law

Part One: Genesis and Exodus – Establishment

Part Two: Leviticus – The Law

Part Three: Deuteronomy – One nation under God

Scripture The Book of Deuteronomy

Introduction The Latin name signifies the second giving of the Law. Israel has been wandering in the desert for 40 years (**Book of Numbers**). The generation of Israelites who feared to conquer Canaan have died in the wilderness and Moses is preparing the next generation with a reestablishment of the national covenant.

Deuteronomy 6:4 **The Shema** (Sh'ma Yisrael)

יהוה **Yhovah** (Self-existent/eternal) לַיהוים **'elohiym** (God, almighty – always in plural!)

Jewish weekly Torah readings

Va'etchanan

Deuteronomy 6:4-9

Eikev

Deuteronomy 11:13-21

Shlach

Numbers 15:37-41

Deuteronomy 7:7-8

Why God chose Israel

Deuteronomy 27:1-10

Moses charges the people

Deuteronomy 27-28

Blessings and Curses

Deuteronomy 30

Great restoration promise

Deuteronomy 31-34

Transition from Moses to Joshua

Discussion:

Discuss the doctrine of the trinity in regards to the Shema – particularly the use of Elohiym vs Eloah and echad (unified – evening/morning echad day, man/woman married echad flesh, assembly of Israel is echad) vs yachid (one/only – yachid son Isaac).

Open Question:

Consider living in a theocratic society with these promises of blessings and curses, how would that compare to living as a Christian today?