

Timeline of Truth – God’s Blessings to Israel (Deuteronomy 32:45-33:29)

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Deuteronomy 32:45 ⁴⁵ Moses finished speaking all these words to all Israel, ⁴⁶ and He said to them: "Set your hearts on all the words which I testify among you today, which you shall command your children to be careful to observe -- all the words of this law. ⁴⁷ "For it *is* not a futile thing for you, because it *is* your life, and by this word you shall prolong *your* days in the land which you cross over the Jordan to possess."

1. God Reminds Israel Why They Should _____

- a. This is Moses last command to Israel
 - b. Set your hearts on God’s Word
 - The words which Moses bears witness
 - Command it to their children
 - All the words
 - c. God’s Words are their life
 - It is not futile(empty or vain) to do this
 - It is their life
 - By obeying they will prolong their days
- Deuteronomy 8:3** ³ "So He humbled you, allowed you to hunger, and fed you with manna which you did not know nor did your fathers know, that He might make you know that man shall not live by bread alone; but man lives by every *word* that proceeds from the mouth of the LORD.

⁴⁸ Then the LORD spoke to Moses that very same day, saying: ⁴⁹ "Go up this mountain of the Abarim, Mount Nebo, which *is* in the land of Moab, across from Jericho; view the land of Canaan, which I give to the children of Israel as a possession; ⁵⁰ "and die on the mountain which you ascend, and be gathered to your people, just as Aaron your brother died on Mount Hor and was gathered to his people; ⁵¹ "because you trespassed against Me among the children of Israel at the waters of Meribah Kadesh, in the Wilderness of Zin, because you did not hallow Me in the midst of the children of Israel. ⁵² "Yet you shall see the land before *you*, though you shall not go there, into the land which I am giving to the children of Israel."

2. God’s Last _____ to Moses

- a. Go up the mountain
- b. Die on the mountain
- c. He is to do this because of his sin
- d. God allows him to see the land

Deuteronomy 33:1 Now this *is* the blessing with which Moses the man of God blessed the children of Israel before his death. ² And he said: "The LORD came from Sinai, And dawned on them from Seir; He shone forth from Mount Paran, And He came with ten thousands of saints; From His right hand *Came* a fiery law for them. ³ Yes, He loves the people; All His saints *are* in Your hand; They sit down at Your feet; *Everyone* receives Your words. ⁴ Moses commanded a law for us, A heritage of the congregation of Jacob.

3. Moses _____ The Tribes of Israel

- a. God has revealed Himself to Israel
- b. God loves His people
- c. God commanded a law for his people
 - His law is a heritage to them
 - Heritage – lit. “a possession”

<p>⁶ " Let Reuben live, and not die, <i>Nor</i> let his men be few."</p>	<p>4. Blessing of _____</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> He would not die He would be of a certain number: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This could mean that Reuben would be of a small number This could also refer to Simeon, who is left out of this passage. (Gen 49:5-7)
<p>⁷ And this he said of Judah: "Hear, LORD, the voice of Judah, And bring him to his people; Let his hands be sufficient for him, And may You be a help against his enemies."</p>	<p>5. Blessing of _____</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> The Lord would hear him The Lord would be with him This blessing seems to fit in with Judah being the ruling tribe in Israel Genesis 49:10 ¹⁰ The scepter shall not depart from Judah, Nor a lawgiver from between his feet, Until Shiloh comes; And to Him <i>shall be</i> the obedience of the people.
<p>⁸ And of Levi he said: "<i>Let</i> Your Thummim and Your Urim <i>be</i> with Your holy one, Whom You tested at Massah, And with whom You contended at the waters of Meribah, ⁹ Who says of his father and mother, 'I have not seen them'; Nor did he acknowledge his brothers, Or know his own children; For they have observed Your word And kept Your covenant. ¹⁰ They shall teach Jacob Your judgments, And Israel Your law. They shall put incense before You, And a whole burnt sacrifice on Your altar. ¹¹ Bless his substance, LORD, And accept the work of his hands; Strike the loins of those who rise against him, And of those who hate him, that they rise not again."</p>	<p>6. Blessing of _____</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Levi's blessing is based on their service to God Luke 14:26 ²⁶ "If anyone comes to Me and does not hate his father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, yes, and his own life also, he cannot be My disciple. Levi's blessing shall be based on their faithfulness in teaching Israel God will bless them with strength God will bless their efforts God will strike their enemies
<p>¹² Of Benjamin he said: "The beloved of the LORD shall dwell in safety by Him, <i>Who</i> shelters him all the day long; And he shall dwell between His shoulders."</p>	<p>7. Blessing of _____</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> He shall be protected and dwell with the Lord
<p>¹³ And of Joseph he said: "Blessed of the LORD <i>is</i> his land, With the precious things of heaven, with the dew, And the deep lying beneath, ¹⁴ With the precious fruits of the sun, With the precious produce of the months, ¹⁵ With the best things of the ancient mountains, With the precious things of the everlasting hills, ¹⁶ With the precious things of the earth and its fullness, And the favor of Him who dwelt in the bush. Let <i>the blessing</i> come 'on the head of Joseph, And on the crown of the head of him <i>who was</i> separate from his brothers.' ¹⁷ His glory <i>is like</i> a firstborn bull, And his horns <i>like</i> the horns of the wild ox; Together with them He shall push the peoples To the ends of the earth; They <i>are</i> the ten thousands of Ephraim, And they <i>are</i> the thousands of Manasseh."</p>	<p>8. Blessing of _____</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Their land will be blessed: Their status will be blessed
<p>¹⁸ And of Zebulun he said: "Rejoice, Zebulun, in your going out, And Issachar in your tents! ¹⁹ They shall call the peoples <i>to</i> the mountain; There they shall offer sacrifices of righteousness; For they shall partake <i>of</i> the abundance of the seas And <i>of</i> treasures hidden in the sand."</p>	<p>9. Blessing of _____ and _____</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Zebulun is blessed going out, Issachar in his tents They shall sacrifice to God They shall be blessed by the things which come from the sea.
<p>²⁰ And of Gad he said: "Blessed <i>is</i> he who enlarges Gad; He dwells as a lion, And tears the arm and the crown of his head. ²¹ He provided the first <i>part</i> for himself, Because a lawgiver's portion was reserved there. He came <i>with</i> the heads of the people; He administered the justice of the LORD, And His judgments with Israel."</p>	<p>10. Blessing of _____</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Blessed are those who are with Gad Gad is blessed with the first portion Gad administers justice

<p>²² And of Dan he said: "Dan <i>is</i> a lion's whelp; He shall leap from Bashan."</p>	<p>11. Blessing of _____ a. A lion's whelp who leaps from Bashan b. Possibly referring to military might</p>
<p>²³ And of Naphtali he said: "O Naphtali, satisfied with favor, And full of the blessing of the LORD, Possess the west and the south."</p>	<p>12. Blessing of _____ a. Naphtali will be blessed from the Lord (satisfied) b. He will possess the west and south</p>
<p>²⁴ And of Asher he said: "Asher <i>is</i> most blessed of sons; Let him be favored by his brothers, And let him dip his foot in oil. ²⁵ Your sandals <i>shall be</i> iron and bronze; As your days, <i>so shall</i> your strength <i>be</i>."</p>	<p>13. Blessing of _____ a. He will be the most blessed and favored b. He will be blessed with strength and beauty (feet) c. His days will be as his strength</p>
<p>²⁶ "There <i>is</i> no one like the God of Jeshurun, <i>Who</i> rides the heavens to help you, And in His excellency on the clouds. ²⁷ The eternal God <i>is your</i> refuge, And underneath <i>are</i> the everlasting arms; He will thrust out the enemy from before you, And will say, 'Destroy!'"</p>	<p>14. God is _____ a. There is no one like God b. God helps Israel c. God protects Israel d. God fights for Israel</p>
<p>²⁸ Then Israel shall dwell in safety, The fountain of Jacob alone, In a land of grain and new wine; His heavens shall also drop dew. ²⁹ Happy <i>are</i> you, O Israel! Who <i>is</i> like you, a people saved by the LORD, The shield of your help And the sword of your majesty! Your enemies shall submit to you, And you shall tread down their high places."</p>	<p>15. God Promises _____ to Israel a. Israel shall dwell in safety b. Israel shall be blessed in the land c. Israel is saved by God d. Israel shall rule over their enemies e. Israel shall destroy the places of false worship</p>