

Deuteronomy Lesson #27, Chapter 32

These chapters are rich in truths we need to know and understand about God. Be sure to ask the Lord to prepare your heart to learn what He has recorded here for us.

1. The clue to the contents of Chapter 32 can be found in 31:30. What is the chapter about?
2. Who does Moses give it to and for what purpose? See 31:19-22, 30 for your answer.
3. What does Moses want his teaching to be like in verse 2? Why (verse 3)? What kind of picture is he painting about his teaching?
4. What does Moses proclaim about God in the song (verse 4)?
5. Whenever a metaphor is used in Scripture you need to ask, "What is a rock (or whatever the metaphor is) like *literally*? What are its characteristics? What are its functions?" Then you can ask, "How is God like the rock? How do the rock's qualities help to describe God?" What do you learn about the Rock as mentioned in verses 4, 15, 18, 30, 31? Contrast that with verse 37. Use the above questions about metaphors in Scriptures to formulate your answer.
6. How did the nation of Israel respond to the Lord (verses 5-6)? What words are used to describe them?

7. In verse 7 Israel is told to remember the days of old. What things does Moses want them to remember in verses 7-14?

8. What word pictures are used to describe God and His care of Israel in verses 7-14?

9. How does Israel (Jeshurun) respond to the Lord's care in verses 15-18? Describe the attitudes Israel exhibits in these verses.

10. What are the results of Israel choosing to follow other gods (verses 19-25)?

11. What "keeps" God from heaping more judgment upon the nation (verses 26-27)?

12. In order to stir Israel up to jealousy, what does God intend to do in verse 21? See also Romans 10:19 and 11:11-12.

13. What does God say Israel is like in verse 28?

14. What does God want Israel to understand in verses 29-33?

15. When will the Lord rescue Israel according to verses 34-43? What reason is given in these verses for Israel's deliverance?

16. In verses 37-39 what contrast does God make between Himself and the false gods?

17. What an incredible picture God paints of Himself in verse 39! What attributes of God do you see in that verse? See also Job 5:18; Isaiah 43:13; 45:5, 18, 22; and Lamentations 3:31-32 for further support of those attributes.

18. What exhortation does Moses give the people after he teaches them the song (verses 44-47)?

19. How does verse 47 describe the words of the law?

20. The Word of God was never meant to be an ornament, but the very fabric of our lives. What role do you allow God's Word to play in your life? Is it empty, with little meaning in your life or is it a vital and integral part of your life? What are some ways the Scriptures can become more central to every part of your life?

21. What does the Lord tell Moses to *do* and *when* according to verses 48-50?

22. The consequences for Moses' sin at Meribah are severe. What reasons are given in verse 51 for this?

23. What lessons do you learn from Moses' life in these verses that you want to keep in mind as you walk with the Lord?

24. Why did God want Moses to teach the people this song? What truths did God want them to learn and be reminded of through this song?

25. What truths from the song of Moses do you want to carry with you to remember and apply to your life?