



Obedience, Obedience, Obedience!

Once again before we get started here this evening I just want to welcome everyone and to say thank you so very much for sharing your time with us here this evening as we once again turn back to the book of Deuteronomy which is by the way the last book of the Torah.

We are slowly but surely coming down to the last few chapters of the Torah itself and once again, we're listening to Moses remind the house of Israel of all of the things that Yehvoah God has already taught and established within the house of Israel so that they won't forget once they actually enter into the promised land that Yehvoah God had promised Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob.

Today as we read down through Deuteronomy chapters 27 and 28 we're going to see very clearly how obedience to the word of God is essential in order to let God know how much we love him.

Today's modern day denominational churches often times regurgitate the same old, same old when it comes to the love of God. In fact... when I say "the love of God" most people assume I'm talking about God's love for us. And the very reason that they think that is because they have been pre-programmed by the doctrines of men to think that way. But I would contend that what the church should be teaching is our love for God and not so much his love for us.

Yehvoah God has already shown his love for us time and time again and these things are made evident in all that he has done and provided for

mankind. But what is not so evident or clear is mans love for God. Mans love for God seems to be something that the denominational church today has all but forgotten.

But here in the 27th and 28th chapters of the book of Deuteronomy we're going to see just how important our love for God truly is, and we're also going to see very early on that obedience is indeed the key to the love of God for without obedience... there can be no love for God and without a deep-seated love for God... no-one will enter his kingdom.

Keeping all of this in mind I'd like to now open the books and turn to Deuteronomy chapter 27, and I'd like for us to read down through Deuteronomy chapter 27 so that we can know exactly what it says and just as importantly... what it does not say. Deuteronomy chapter 27 E1

The Altar on Mount Ebal

Deu 27:1 Now Moses and the elders of Israel commanded the people, saying, "Keep the whole commandment that I command you today.

Deu 27:2 And on the day you cross over the Jordan to the land that the LORD your God is giving you, you shall set up large stones and plaster them with plaster.

Deu 27:3 And you shall write on them all the words of this law, when you cross over to enter the land that the LORD your God is giving you, a land flowing with milk and honey, as the LORD, the God of your fathers, has promised you.

Deu 27:4 And when you have crossed over the Jordan, you shall set up these stones, concerning which I command you today, on Mount Ebal, and you shall plaster them with plaster.

Deu 27:5 And there you shall build an altar to the LORD your God, an altar of stones. You shall wield no iron tool on them;

Deu 27:6 you shall build an altar to the LORD your God of uncut stones. And you shall offer burnt offerings on it to the LORD your God,

Deu 27:7 and you shall sacrifice peace offerings and shall eat there, and you shall rejoice before the LORD your God.

Deu 27:8 And you shall write on the stones all the words of this law very plainly."

Curses from Mount Ebal

Deu 27:9 Then Moses and the Levitical priests said to all Israel, "Keep silence and hear, O Israel: this day you have become the people of the LORD your God.

Deu 27:10 You shall therefore obey the voice of the LORD your God, keeping his commandments and his statutes, which I command you today."

Deu 27:11 That day Moses charged the people, saying,

Deu 27:12 "When you have crossed over the Jordan, these shall stand on Mount Gerizim to bless the people: Simeon, Levi, Judah, Issachar, Joseph, and Benjamin.

Deu 27:13 And these shall stand on Mount Ebal for the curse: Reuben, Gad, Asher, Zebulun, Dan, and Naphtali.

Deu 27:14 And the Levites shall declare to all the men of Israel in a loud voice:

Deu 27:15 "'Cursed be the man who makes a carved or cast metal image, an abomination to the LORD, a thing made by the hands of a craftsman, and sets it up in secret.' And all the people shall answer and say, 'Amen.'

Deu 27:16 "'Cursed be anyone who dishonors his father or his mother.' And all the people shall say, 'Amen.'

Deu 27:17 "'Cursed be anyone who moves his neighbor's landmark.' And all the people shall say, 'Amen.'

Deu 27:18 "'Cursed be anyone who misleads a blind man on the road.' And all the people shall say, 'Amen.'

Deu 27:19 "'Cursed be anyone who perverts the justice due to the sojourner, the fatherless, and the widow.' And all the people shall say, 'Amen.'

Deu 27:20 "'Cursed be anyone who lies with his father's wife, because he has uncovered his father's nakedness.' And all the people shall say, 'Amen.'

Deu 27:21 "'Cursed be anyone who lies with any kind of animal.' And all the people shall say, 'Amen.'

Deu 27:22 "'Cursed be anyone who lies with his sister, whether the daughter of his father or the daughter of his mother.' And all the people shall say, 'Amen.'

Deu 27:23 "'Cursed be anyone who lies with his mother-in-law.' And all the people shall say, 'Amen.'

Deu 27:24 "'Cursed be anyone who strikes down his neighbor in secret.' And all the people shall say, 'Amen.'

Deu 27:25 "'Cursed be anyone who takes a bribe to shed innocent blood.' And all the people shall say, 'Amen.'

Deu 27:26 "'Cursed be anyone who does not confirm the words of this law by doing them.' And all the people shall say, 'Amen.'

The very first thing that we see here in Deuteronomy chapter 27 is the commandment from Yehvoah God to keep the whole commandment that Yehvoah God has given.

In other words, keeping half of the law is unacceptable.

When we get down to verses 15 through 26 at the bottom of the chapter we find 12 different commandments that Yehovah God is giving the house of Israel to do so that they won't be trapped in the snare of doing what all of the other nations of the world are doing and this is something to stop and think about for just a moment because this is something that still applies to us here today as God's people.

Its important to realize that making carved or cast metal images was an abomination to Yehovah God because the nations of the earth were creating these things to bow down to.

These images that were carved or cast from metal were actually things made by the hands of men and yet... they were worshiped as gods.

Now... that may sound ridiculous upon first hearing such a thing, but this once again was nothing short of a trick of the devil who had convinced men that they could create for themselves their own gods. And by doing so, they could set up laws and parameters that met their own lifestyles.

If you wanted orgies at the temple... simply make a carved or cast a metal image of a goddess and command people to go have sex at the temple. If you wanted drunkenness and debauchery... you simply made a carved or cast a metal image of a god that loved drunkenness and debauchery. You see by making your own god you can live however you want to live and feel good about it because that's what your god wants right? But once again... these carved or cast metal images were just that... they were carved out of wood by the hands of men, or they were

cast from molten metal by the hands of men and were no gods at all.
Deut 4:27-29 (scrn 1)

Deu 4:27 And the LORD will scatter you among the peoples, and you will be left few in number among the nations where the LORD will drive you.

Deu 4:28 And there you will serve gods of wood and stone, the work of human hands, that neither see, nor hear, nor eat, nor smell.

Deu 4:29 But from there you will seek the LORD your God and you will find him, if you search after him with all your heart and with all your soul.



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Keeping this in mind... I'd like to stop right here for a moment and ask the question; are we not still doing this exact same thing today in our time? Do we not have our own gods that we worship that serve us more than we serve them?

What is artificial intelligence? Is artificial intelligence not made by the hand of man? Artificial intelligence simply takes from what it learns about man and the writings of men, and it puts it all together and creates what it creates from listening to what man has already said does it not?

Artificial intelligence literally takes information about mankind from the world wide web also known as the internet and it puts all of this information together and it forms its own intelligence. And therefore... artificial intelligence is really no smarter than man is, it's just that artificial intelligence has a better memory and can categorize and package that information better than man can and it can take more information historically and put it together with more modern

information in order to mold things into what it things is accurate information given what it has been given.

Now... with that being said... there is a new kind of artificial intelligence that they are right now in the process of rolling out as we speak and it's called "artificial general intelligence" which is much different than the artificial intelligence that we have through models like Chapter GPT and others like it.

This artificial general intelligence will actually be able to deduct things, in other words it will literally be able to figure things out on its own and this kind of artificial intelligence is going to be more dangerous than the kind of artificial intelligence that we have at the moment which is another rabbit hole what I don't want to get into here this evening during Bible study however... the point that I'm attempting to make is that man is still creating for himself his own gods.

Man is still attempting to prove that he is smarter than the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob and there really is no real difference between the wooden carved images and the cast metal images and these computer images and Hollywood movie stars and sports gods that man is making for himself today in our time.

We're still being led astray by those who we think are gods and we're still worshiping these other man-made gods by supporting them with our money and our time and support. In fact... it could be said that Labron James is worshiped as a sports god far more than the God of heaven and earth by those who donate more of their money and more of their time and more of their attention to Labron James than they do God on a month to month or year to year basis.

Worship has to do with what you spend your money and your time on and what you give most of your attention to. If we are showing more reverence and adoration and honor to a sports god than we are the God of heaven... we've got a major problem in our lives.

It's important to understand what Yehvoah God sees as another god, and it's important for us to recognize what constitutes another god as far as Yehvoah God is concerned.

What man makes or creates with his own hands is no god at all, and that's the point that needs to be understood. Take into consideration what we find in Deuteronomy chapter 27 verse 5 where we're told that the house of Israel was to build an altar to Yehvoah God but that they were to wield no iron tool on them.

In other words, man was not to create the materials to build the altar with his hands or with his tools. The stones of the altar were to be created by God and God alone. Only natural stones were to be used because the hands of men were sinful, once again being of the flesh.

Yehvoah wanted an altar built for him with naturally made stones that man could not say that he himself created and this is important to understand because it points right back to the sinful nature of man's flesh.

It was for this very reason that David was not allowed to build the temple of God with his own hands. David was a man of war and David had innocent blood on his hands from having Uriah the husband of Bathsheba killed in battle so that he could steal his wife.

And therefore, only his son Solomon would be allowed to build the temple because Solomon at that time had not yet been guilty of having blood on his hands.

The bottom line here is that the flesh that we are encapsulated in is indeed sinful which is why it is written that flesh and bone cannot inherit the kingdom of God. The body which is the flesh returns to the earth from where it came, and it perishes just as all sin will. The only part of us that continues on is our Spirits which will take on a new sinless body when our Messiah calls us from the sleep of the grave.

And also, please notice that man was to write the words of Yehovah's law upon these stones, once again signifying the fact that the word of God is what saves and not the works of men and his hands.

What's also interesting about these laws that Yehvoah God gives to the house of Israel to write on these stones is that one of these laws literally condemns David who was a man after God's own heart.

Notice here in verse 24 that it is written that he who strikes down his neighbor in secret is cursed. And this is exactly what David did by having Uriah the husband of Bathsheba secretly killed in battle.

Keeping that in mind... it's important to know and to understand that David who was a man after God's own heart did indeed fall prey to sin. David was not an innocent man by any means.

The difference between David and other men who sin is that David knew how to repent. David learned from his mistakes when others did not. David committed adultery, and murder, and he even took a census of the house of Israel against God's will in 2nd Samuel chapter 24, and therefore it should always be understood that David himself who was the earthly father of our Messiah Yeshua Jesus did indeed fall short when it comes to transgressing Yehovah God's word.

Nevertheless... Yehvoah God knew that David did indeed love him because David learned from his mistakes.

You know... it is often times thought that the difference between a wise man and a fool is that a wise men never makes mistakes like the fool does. But this is not true.

A wise man also makes mistakes just like the fool does. The difference between the two is that the wiseman does not return to the same mistakes over and over again like the fool does. The wise man learns

from his mistakes and does not return to them the way that the fool does.

And this is exactly how sin works. Yehvoah God knows that man is going through a learning process. Man was put here on this earth to learn the difference between sin and righteousness. Man was created in the image of God in order to be like God. Man was created to be a child of God and just as we often times here the old cliché... “like father, like son” this was the original intent of God for man from the very beginning.

Do we really think that God did not know that the Serpent was in the garden? Do we really think that God did not know what the Serpent would do before he did it? Of course he did.

Yehvoah God allowed the temptation of man to occur so that his heavenly host and all of creation would know that the wisdom of Yehvoah is far greater than any one or anything that has ever been created. His wisdom and his knowledge knows no bounds.

In order for man to become a child of God man would certainly need to know the difference between sin and righteousness and between a lie and the truth.

Yehvoah created man with the ability to decide for himself who he would serve just like he created his angels to have the ability to decide who it was that they would serve. And just like we have fallen men... we also have fallen angels as well. Why?

Because it is Yehvoah God’s will to train up his children as any good father does. David is a perfect example of a man who choose Yehvoah God willingly and intentionally.

Yes David fell, and yes David sinned. And yet... David was chosen by Yehovah God to be the one that he would bring forth a perfect human being from because in the very loins of David was the knowledge of the

love of God that David had learned through suffering through his mistakes.

From the very beginning Yehvoah had trained up David by causing David to walk through the fire of life. He forged David through trial and testing. He taught David through suffering and despair just as he teaches each one of us.

We as his children are tested and tried, we are forged in the fire that we walk through here on this earth and we are trained up in the ways of righteousness by learning how to distinguish between what is good and what is evil in the sight of God our Father.

Often times I hear a beaten down brother or sister tell me that God could never forgive them because they have just sinned to much, upon which time I always ask them... “how many Christians have you murdered?... more than the apostle Paul?... how many times have you stolen a man’s wife and had him killed?... more than David?... how many times have you denied the Lamb of God?... more than Peter?... how many times have you doubted God?... more than Thomas?”

My friends it’s important that we understand that we are not defined by our sinful nature... we are defined by our love for God. What caused sinful David to be exalted by God? It wasn’t his sinful nature... it was his love for God.

It was because of David’s never-ending love for God that David accepted Gods chastisement. It was because of David’s never-ending love for God that David wept when he sinned against God. It was David’s never-ending love for God that David continuously returned to God when he fell, and this is something that today’s modern day denominational church has long ago forgotten.

It is not God’s love for us that stops us from sinning. Yehovah God has loved us from the very beginning and his love has been shown to us

throughout the ages and this has not stopped man from sinning.

There is only one thing that stops a man from sinning... and that my friends is man's love for God. It is only when you truly love God with all of your heart and with all of your soul that you will be convicted of sin. It is only when you love God with all of your heart and with all of your soul that you will triumph over sin through obedience for this is the quintessential definition of the love of God. (sern 2)

1Jn 5:2 By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments.

1Jn 5:3 For this is the love of God, that we keep his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome

1Jn 5:4 For everyone who has been born of God overcomes the world. And this is the victory that has overcome the world—our faith.

1Jn 5:5 Who is it that overcomes the world except the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?



How do we know when we love the children of God? When we love God and do what? When we love God and obey his commandments.

What is the biblical definition of the love of God? That we keep his commandments and that his commandments are not burdensome to us.

How do we overcome the world? By loving God. What is the victory that has overcome the world? Our faith... and faith without works is dead just as James tells us in James chapter 2.

Who is it that believes that Yeshua Jesus is the Son of God? Those who love God that's who, and once again... the biblical definition of the love of God is that we keep his commandments, and his commandments are not burdensome.

What is it that we are looking at here in Deuteronomy chapter 27? What is Yehvoah God telling the house of Israel in Deuteronomy chapter 27 verse 1? (scrn 3)

Deu 27:1 Now Moses and the elders of Israel commanded the people, saying, **Keep the whole commandment that I command you today.**

Deu 27:1 Now Moses and the elders of Israel commanded the people, saying, **LOVE ME!"**

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Yehvoah God was simply telling the house of Israel who were his children to love him for keeping the commandments of God is the biblical definition of the love of God.

What Yehvoah was telling the house of Israel to write on the stones of the altar was a love letter to Yehvoah. It was a commitment to love Yehvoah from that day forward.

Each and every commandment listed here in Deuteronomy chapter 27 are nothing more than instructions as to how to love God.

Obedience, obedience, obedience... it's written all throughout both the Old and New Testaments. Even the Apostle Paul himself lived in obedience to the law according to Acts chapter 21 verse 24 of the New Testament. And just as it is written... the Anti-Christ to come... the son of perdition... will also be known as... the lawless one who will be a lawless man according to 2nd Thessalonians chapter 2 verse 3 (**scrn 4**) **show only**

2Th 2:3 Let no man deceive you by any means: for that day shall not come, except there come a falling away first, and **that man of sin** be revealed, the son of perdition;

1Jn 3:4 Whosoever committeth sin transgresseth also the law: for **sin is the transgression of the law.**



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The man of sin that 2nd Thessalonians chapter 2 speaks of is indeed a man of lawlessness for it is written in 1st John chapter 3 verse 4 that the biblical definition of “sin”... is the transgression of the law. Which brings us very nicely to Deuteronomy chapter 28 which has everything to do with blessings for obedience and curses for disobedience.

Keeping what we have already learned about lawlessness verses the biblical definition of the love of God under our belts... lets now turn and read **Deuteronomy chapter 28 E2**

Blessings for Obedience

Deu 28:1 "And if you faithfully obey the voice of the LORD your God, being careful to do all his commandments that I command you today, the LORD your God will set you high above all the nations of the earth.

Deu 28:2 And all these blessings shall come upon you and overtake you, if you obey the voice of the LORD your God.

Deu 28:3 Blessed shall you be in the city, and blessed shall you be in the field.

Deu 28:4 Blessed shall be the fruit of your womb and the fruit of your ground and the fruit of your cattle, the increase of your herds and the young of your flock.

Deu 28:5 Blessed shall be your basket and your kneading bowl.

Deu 28:6 Blessed shall you be when you come in, and blessed shall you be when you go out.

Deu 28:7 "The LORD will cause your enemies who rise against you to be defeated before you. They shall come out against you one way and flee before you seven ways.

Deu 28:8 The LORD will command the blessing on you in your barns and in all that you undertake. And he will bless you in the land that the LORD your God is giving you.

Deu 28:9 The LORD will establish you as a people holy to himself, as he has sworn to you, if you keep the commandments of the LORD your God and walk in his ways.

Deu 28:10 And all the peoples of the earth shall see that you are called by the name of the LORD, and they shall be afraid of you.

Deu 28:11 And the LORD will make you abound in prosperity, in the fruit of your womb and in the fruit of your livestock and in the fruit of your ground, within the land that the LORD swore to your fathers to give you.

Deu 28:12 The LORD will open to you his good treasury, the heavens, to give the rain to your land in its season and to bless all the work of your hands. And you shall lend to many nations, but you shall not borrow.

Deu 28:13 And the LORD will make you the head and not the tail, and you shall only go up and not down, if you obey the commandments of the LORD your God, which I command you today, being careful to do them,

Deu 28:14 and if you do not turn aside from any of the words that I command you today, to the right hand or to the left, to go after other gods to serve them.

Curses for Disobedience

Deu 28:15 "But if you will not obey the voice of the LORD your God or be careful to do all his commandments and his statutes that I command you

today, then all these curses shall come upon you and overtake you.

Deu 28:16 Cursed shall you be in the city, and cursed shall you be in the field.

Deu 28:17 Cursed shall be your basket and your kneading bowl.

Deu 28:18 Cursed shall be the fruit of your womb and the fruit of your ground, the increase of your herds and the young of your flock.

Deu 28:19 Cursed shall you be when you come in, and cursed shall you be when you go out.

Deu 28:20 "The LORD will send on you curses, confusion, and frustration in all that you undertake to do, until you are destroyed and perish quickly on account of the evil of your deeds, because you have forsaken me.

Deu 28:21 The LORD will make the pestilence stick to you until he has consumed you off the land that you are entering to take possession of it.

Deu 28:22 The LORD will strike you with wasting disease and with fever, inflammation and fiery heat, and with drought and with blight and with mildew. They shall pursue you until you perish.

Deu 28:23 And the heavens over your head shall be bronze, and the earth under you shall be iron.

Deu 28:24 The LORD will make the rain of your land powder. From heaven dust shall come down on you until you are destroyed.

Deu 28:25 "The LORD will cause you to be defeated before your enemies. You shall go out one way against them and flee seven ways before them. And you shall be a horror to all the kingdoms of the earth.

Deu 28:26 And your dead body shall be food for all birds of the air and for the beasts of the earth, and there shall be no one to frighten them away.

Deu 28:27 The LORD will strike you with the boils of Egypt, and with tumors and scabs and itch, of which you cannot be healed.

Deu 28:28 The LORD will strike you with madness and blindness and confusion of mind,

Deu 28:29 and you shall grope at noonday, as the blind grope in darkness, and you shall not prosper in your ways. And you shall be only oppressed and robbed continually, and there shall be no one to help you.

Deu 28:30 You shall betroth a wife, but another man shall ravish her. You shall build a house, but you shall not dwell in it. You shall plant a vineyard, but you shall not enjoy its fruit.

Deu 28:31 Your ox shall be slaughtered before your eyes, but you shall not eat any of it. Your donkey shall be seized before your face, but shall not be restored to you. Your sheep shall be given to your enemies, but there shall be no one to help you.

Deu 28:32 Your sons and your daughters shall be given to another people,

while your eyes look on and fail with longing for them all day long, but you shall be helpless.

Deu 28:33 A nation that you have not known shall eat up the fruit of your ground and of all your labors, and you shall be only oppressed and crushed continually,

Deu 28:34 so that you are driven mad by the sights that your eyes see.

Deu 28:35 The LORD will strike you on the knees and on the legs with grievous boils of which you cannot be healed, from the sole of your foot to the crown of your head.

Deu 28:36 "The LORD will bring you and your king whom you set over you to a nation that neither you nor your fathers have known. And there you shall serve other gods of wood and stone.

Deu 28:37 And you shall become a horror, a proverb, and a byword among all the peoples where the LORD will lead you away.

Deu 28:38 You shall carry much seed into the field and shall gather in little, for the locust shall consume it.

Deu 28:39 You shall plant vineyards and dress them, but you shall neither drink of the wine nor gather the grapes, for the worm shall eat them.

Deu 28:40 You shall have olive trees throughout all your territory, but you shall not anoint yourself with the oil, for your olives shall drop off.

Deu 28:41 You shall father sons and daughters, but they shall not be yours, for they shall go into captivity.

Deu 28:42 The cricket shall possess all your trees and the fruit of your ground.

Deu 28:43 The sojourner who is among you shall rise higher and higher above you, and you shall come down lower and lower.

Deu 28:44 He shall lend to you, and you shall not lend to him. He shall be the head, and you shall be the tail.

Deu 28:45 "All these curses shall come upon you and pursue you and overtake you till you are destroyed, because you did not obey the voice of the LORD your God, to keep his commandments and his statutes that he commanded you.

Deu 28:46 They shall be a sign and a wonder against you and your offspring forever.

Deu 28:47 Because you did not serve the LORD your God with joyfulness and gladness of heart, because of the abundance of all things,

Deu 28:48 therefore you shall serve your enemies whom the LORD will send against you, in hunger and thirst, in nakedness, and lacking everything. And he will put a yoke of iron on your neck until he has destroyed you.

Deu 28:49 The LORD will bring a nation against you from far away, from

the end of the earth, swooping down like the eagle, a nation whose language you do not understand,

Deu 28:50 a hard-faced nation who shall not respect the old or show mercy to the young.

Deu 28:51 It shall eat the offspring of your cattle and the fruit of your ground, until you are destroyed; it also shall not leave you grain, wine, or oil, the increase of your herds or the young of your flock, until they have caused you to perish.

Deu 28:52 "They shall besiege you in all your towns, until your high and fortified walls, in which you trusted, come down throughout all your land. And they shall besiege you in all your towns throughout all your land, which the LORD your God has given you.

Deu 28:53 And you shall eat the fruit of your womb, the flesh of your sons and daughters, whom the LORD your God has given you, in the siege and in the distress with which your enemies shall distress you.

Deu 28:54 The man who is the most tender and refined among you will begrudge food to his brother, to the wife he embraces, and to the last of the children whom he has left,

Deu 28:55 so that he will not give to any of them any of the flesh of his children whom he is eating, because he has nothing else left, in the siege and in the distress with which your enemy shall distress you in all your towns.

Deu 28:56 The most tender and refined woman among you, who would not venture to set the sole of her foot on the ground because she is so delicate and tender, will begrudge to the husband she embraces, to her son and to her daughter,

Deu 28:57 her afterbirth that comes out from between her feet and her children whom she bears, because lacking everything she will eat them secretly, in the siege and in the distress with which your enemy shall distress you in your towns.

Deu 28:58 "If you are not careful to do all the words of this law that are written in this book, that you may fear this glorious and awesome name, the LORD your God,

Deu 28:59 then the LORD will bring on you and your offspring extraordinary afflictions, afflictions severe and lasting, and sicknesses grievous and lasting.

Deu 28:60 And he will bring upon you again all the diseases of Egypt, of which you were afraid, and they shall cling to you.

Deu 28:61 Every sickness also and every affliction that is not recorded in the book of this law, the LORD will bring upon you, until you are destroyed.

Deu 28:62 Whereas you were as numerous as the stars of heaven, you

shall be left few in number, because you did not obey the voice of the LORD your God.

Deu 28:63 And as the LORD took delight in doing you good and multiplying you, so the LORD will take delight in bringing ruin upon you and destroying you. And you shall be plucked off the land that you are entering to take possession of it.

Deu 28:64 "And the LORD will scatter you among all peoples, from one end of the earth to the other, and there you shall serve other gods of wood and stone, which neither you nor your fathers have known.

Deu 28:65 And among these nations you shall find no respite, and there shall be no resting place for the sole of your foot, but the LORD will give you there a trembling heart and failing eyes and a languishing soul.

Deu 28:66 Your life shall hang in doubt before you. Night and day you shall be in dread and have no assurance of your life.

Deu 28:67 In the morning you shall say, 'If only it were evening!' and at evening you shall say, 'If only it were morning!' because of the dread that your heart shall feel, and the sights that your eyes shall see.

Deu 28:68 And the LORD will bring you back in ships to Egypt, a journey that I promised that you should never make again; and there you shall offer yourselves for sale to your enemies as male and female slaves, but there will be no buyer."

Act 19:24 For a man named Demetrius, a silversmith, who made silver shrines of Artemis, brought no little business to the craftsmen.

Act 19:25 These he gathered together, with the workmen in similar trades, and said, "Men, you know that from this business we have our wealth.

Act 19:26 And you see and hear that not only in Ephesus but in almost all of Asia this Paul has persuaded and turned away a great many people, saying that gods made with hands are not gods.

Act 19:27 And there is danger not only that this trade of ours may come into disrepute but also that the temple of the great goddess Artemis may be counted as nothing, and that she may even be deposed from her magnificence, she whom all Asia and the world worship."

Act 19:28 When they heard this they were enraged and were crying out, "Great is Artemis of the Ephesians!"

Act 19:29 So the city was filled with the confusion, and they rushed together into the theater, dragging with them Gaius and Aristarchus, Macedonians who were Paul's companions in travel.

As we can clearly see here in Deuteronomy chapter 28... there are blessings for obedience, and there are curses for disobedience.

Ironically Yehvoah God warned the house of Israel that he would indeed scatter them among all people from one end of the earth to the other and that they would serve gods of wood and stone which their fathers had not known.

And Yehvoah did bring Israel back into Egypt just as he promised that he would by placing them back under the bondage of sin and transgression where they were in Egypt. And just as Yehvoah God had promised... his people became slaves to sin and bondage, and there was no one there to purchase them.

The Jewish people have almost literally been kicked out of every nation on the earth at one time or another. They have been spat upon, trampled upon, murdered, raped, beaten, gassed and torn to shreds by the nations of the earth and to this very day Israel finds it hard to find a friend among the nations anywhere. Even the great United States is turning its back on Israel in an attempt to tower over her.

But there's more to the story to know and to understand. This is not the end for the house of Israel... but only the beginning. The trials and the tribulations that the house of Israel has been made to endure... all of her hardships, all of her pain, all of her suffering will indeed forge her into the greatest nation of the face of the earth in the end. And I tell you the truth my friends... the end is closer now than when we first believed.

And with that being said we'll pick up where we left off here in Deuteronomy chapter 28 next Wednesday at 7pm Eastern Standard

Time...

But as for now I will do as I always do and ask that everyone within the sound of my voice would please take what you have heard here this evening to your own prayer closet and bow your head and bend your knee and face the holy promised land of Jerusalem and ask in the name of Yeshua Hamashaich if what you've heard here this evening be true or not.

Ask, seek, and knock on his door and on his door alone so that the proper door can be opened unto you. And if you will do that, and if you will stay the course to the end... you and I will surely walk through the gates of his soon coming kingdom together.