

TAKE POSSESSION OF THE LAND!
A study in Deuteronomy
AMEN Bible Study 2010-2011

MEN, REMEMBER YOUR CALLING: REMEMBER WHO GOT YOU THERE
Deuteronomy 8:1-9:29

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8:1-20 I. Remember His grace and our weakness.

“And you shall remember the whole way that the Lord your God has led you these forty years in the wilderness...”

:1-10 A. His grace is bountiful.

:1-6 1. He blesses us through His chastisements.

:2 • He humbles us.

“...that he might humble you...”

:2 • He tests us.

“...testing you to know what was in your heart...”

:3, 4 • He teaches us.

“...and let you hunger and fed you with manna...that he might make you know...”

:5, 6 • He disciplines us.

“...as a man disciplines his son, the Lord your God disciplines you...”

:7-10 2. He blesses us through His promises.

“For the Lord your God is bringing you into a good land...”

• We shall be full.

“And you shall eat and be full...”

• We shall bless the Lord.

“...and you shall bless the Lord your God...”

:11-20 B. Our weakness is profound.

:11-18 1. We are tempted to forget.

“Beware lest you say in your heart, ‘My power and the might of my hand have gotten me this wealth.’”

God’s provision + our arrogance = forgetfulness + idolatry

:19, 20 2. If we forget, we perish.

“And if you forget the Lord your God...you shall surely perish.”

9:1-29 II. Remember His faithfulness and our unrighteousness.

:1-3 A. His faithfulness is immense.

“Hear, O Israel: you are to cross over the Jordan today...”

:1-2 1. Our opposition is awesome.

“...nations greater and mightier than yourselves, cities great and fortified up to heaven, a people great and tall...”

:3 2. Our God is more awesome!

“Know therefore today that he who goes over before you as a consuming fire is the Lord your God. He will destroy them and subdue them...so you shall drive them out...”

- :4-29** B. Our unrighteousness is outrageous.
- :4a** 1. We are tempted to take credit for our salvation.
“Do not say in your heart... ‘It is because of my righteousness...’”
- :4b-5b** 2. The facts are otherwise.
- :4b-5a** a. God is judging the nations through His people.
“...it is because of the wickedness of these nations...”
- :5b** b. God is confirming His own Word.
“...and that he may confirm the word that the Lord swore to your fathers...”
- :6-29** c. We are uniquely undeserving.
- :6** • We are stubborn.
“...for you are a stubborn people.”
- :7-11** • We are insolent.
“Remember and do not forget how you provoked the Lord your God to wrath...”
- :12** • We are fickle.
“They have turned aside quickly...”
- :13-29** • We are forgetful.
- :13-24** - concerning our sin
“You have been rebellious against the Lord from the day that I knew you.”
- :25-29** - concerning His faithfulness
“And I prayed to the Lord... ‘Remember your servants...’”