

DEUTERONOMY – LESSON TEN

I. MOSES BLESSES HIS PEOPLE AND VIEWS THE PROMISED LAND BEFORE HIS DEATH (33:1-34:12)

- A. Introduction to the blessings – God loves His people and has given them a glorious law (33:1-5).
- B. Prophetic blessings on individual tribes (33:6-25)
 - 1. Reuben – the tribe will live on, but be few (v. 6, Gen. 49:4).
 - 2. Judah – brought to his people as a leader (v. 7).
 - 3. Levi – giving God's guidance as Israel's priestly teachers (v. 8-11).
 - 4. Benjamin – beloved and cared for by his father and by His God (v. 12).
 - 5. Joseph – abundance of temporal blessing and Divine favor (v. 13-17).
 - 6. Zebulun and Issachar – both blessed in going out in labor and dwelling at home (v. 18-19).
 - 7. Gad – warlike character will be rewarded (v. 20-21).
 - 8. Dan – will spring like a lion on his prey (v. 22).
 - 9. Naphtali – blessed with fertile land (v. 23)
 - 10. Asher – other sons would be blessed in him – abundance of oil (v. 24-25)
- C. Conclusion of blessing exalting God as refuge and strength for His people (v. 26-29).
- D. Death and burial of Moses (34:1-8)
- E. Conditional promises connected with the commandments (30:1-20)
- F. Joshua the new leader on the heels of the great Moses (34:9-12)

QUESTIONS:

- 1. Describe how Moses exalts God's glory:
- 2. Why is the Law described as "fiery?"
- 3. What tribe is not mentioned in the prophetic blessings of Moses?
Why?
- 4. Did Moses contradict what Jacob pronounced upon Reuben in Gen. 49:4?
Explain your answer:

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5. How is Moses' prophetic blessing in line with all of what the Old Testament says concerning the future of Judah?
6. With whom are the Thummim and the Urim?
Why?
7. How would Benjamin be blessed?
8. Why does Joseph seem to be blessed more than the others?
9. Why do you think Zebulun and Issachar are blessed together?
What is their two-fold blessing?
10. What *two characteristics* of God are brought out in Moses' blessing?
11. How is Dan's vigor and force brought out in Moses' blessing?
12. What regions of the promised land would bring blessings to Naphtali?
13. What *three-fold blessing* would the tribe of Asher enjoy?
14. What *two ways* does Moses exalt God?
15. What is the secret to being a "*happy*" people?
16. From where did Moses view the promised land before his death?
17. Where is Moses' body buried?
18. Describe the physical condition of Moses at the time of his death?
19. What did Joshua have which equipped him for leadership?
20. How does God remember His prophet Moses?