

FOR THE LOVE OF GOD
DEUTERONOMY

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God for the Minority

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“Before the face of God”

LESSONS FROM RULES FOR ANCIENT ISRAEL'S WARFARE

The Idea of Holy-War is a One-Time Policy, not Perpetual (v.16).

Deuteronomy 20

BATTLE LANGUAGE USED FOR THE CHRISTIAN LIFE

*2 Cor. 10:3, 4; Eph. 6:10-18;
1 Tim. 6:12; 2 Tim. 4:7*

THEY MUST ENGAGE THEIR ENEMIES AS A...

- confident
 - dedicated and
 - compassionate
- ...minority (v.1).

1 .A CONFIDENT MINORITY

verses 1-4

1 .A **CONFIDENT** MINORITY

A.A fact in the present

The Lord your God...will be with you...For the Lord your god is the one who goes with you. (v.1, 4)

B.A testimony from the past

The Lord...who brought you up out of Egypt. (v.1)

C.A promise for the future

The priest shall come forward and address the army (v.2). The Lord...goes with you to fight for you against your enemies to give you victory (v.4).

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2 .A DEDICATED MINORITY

verses 5-9

1 .A **DEDICATED** MINORITY

A. Those who ought not to be in the ranks

- *A new home*
- *A freshly planted vineyard*
- *An engagement to a woman*

B. Those who do not want to be in the ranks

- *The fearful or faith-hearted*
- *dishearten others*

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3. A COMPASSIONATE MINORITY

verses 10, 19,

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**“RIGHTEOUSNESS, ONLY
RIGHTEOUSNESS”**

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GOD OFFERS TERMS OF PEACE

Deut. 20:4 & 10

“Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.”

(Romans 5:1, ESV)

GOD'S OFFER OF PEACE (ROMANS 5:1-11)

- v.1 “Therefore, since we have been **justified by faith**, we have **peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.**”
- v.6 “For while we were still weak, at the right time **Christ died for the ungodly.**”
 - v.7-8 “For one will scarcely die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person one would dare even to die— but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.”
- v.9 “Since, therefore, we have now been **justified by his blood**, much more shall we be saved by him from the wrath of God.”
 - v. 10-11 “For if while we were **enemies we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son**, much more, now that we are reconciled, shall we be saved by his life. More than that, we also rejoice in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received **reconciliation.**”

TRUST & OBEY

Faith & Repentance

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