

Timeline of Truth – God’s Gives Two Choices (Deuteronomy 30)

Focus	First Sermon 1:1-4:43	Second Sermon 4:44-26:19				Third Sermon 27:1-34:17		
Divisions	Review of God's Acts for Israel 1:1-4:43	The Exposition and Expansion of the Ten Commandments 4:44-11:32	Ceremonial Laws 12:1-16:17	Civil Laws 16:18-20:20	Social Laws 21:1-26:19	Ramification of covenant 27:1-28:68	<u>Palestinian Covenant</u> 29:1-30:20	Transition of Covenant Mediator 31:1-34:12

Deuteronomy 30:1 "Now it shall come to pass, when all these things come upon you, the blessing and the curse which I have set before you, and you call *them* to mind among all the nations where the LORD your God drives you, ² "and you return to the LORD your God and obey His voice, according to all that I command you today, you and your children, with all your heart and with all your soul, ³ "that the LORD your God will bring you back from captivity, and have compassion on you, and gather you again from all the nations where the LORD your God has scattered you. ⁴ "If *any* of you are driven out to the farthest *parts* under heaven, from there the LORD your God will gather you, and from there He will bring you. ⁵ "Then the LORD your God will bring you to the land which your fathers possessed, and you shall possess it. He will prosper you and multiply you more than your fathers.

⁶ "And the LORD your God will circumcise your heart and the heart of your descendants, to love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul, that you may live.

- 1. God Promises to Bring Israel _____**
- The conditions:
 - The blessings and curses come to pass
 - Israel recalls them (in exile)
 - Israel returns to obeying: With all their heart and soul
 - God will gather them back
 - God will give them the land again

- 2. God Promises to _____ Israel’s Heart**
- The Lord will circumcise their hearts
Romans 2:25-29 ²⁵ For circumcision is indeed profitable if you keep the law; but if you are a breaker of the law, your circumcision has become uncircumcision. ²⁶ Therefore, if an uncircumcised man keeps the righteous requirements of the law, will not his uncircumcision be counted as circumcision? ²⁷ And will not the physically uncircumcised, if he fulfills the law, judge you who, *even* with *your* written *code* and circumcision, *are* a transgressor of the law? ²⁸ For he is not a Jew who *is one* outwardly, nor *is* circumcision that which *is* outward in the flesh; ²⁹ but *he is* a Jew who *is one* inwardly; and circumcision *is that* of the heart, in the Spirit, not in the letter; whose praise *is* not from men but from God.
 - In order that they would love the Lord
 - In order that they would live

<p>⁷ "Also the LORD your God will put all these curses on your enemies and on those who hate you, who persecuted you. ⁸ "And you will again obey the voice of the LORD and do all His commandments which I command you today.</p>	<p>3. God Promises to _____ Israel's Enemies</p> <p>a. God will put the curses on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Their enemies • Those who hate them • Those who persecuted them <p>b. So that Israel would obey His voice</p>
<p>⁹ "The LORD your God will make you abound in all the work of your hand, in the fruit of your body, in the increase of your livestock, and in the produce of your land for good. For the LORD will again rejoice over you for good as He rejoiced over your fathers, ¹⁰ "if you obey the voice of the LORD your God, to keep His commandments and His statutes which are written in this Book of the Law, <i>and</i> if you turn to the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul.</p>	<p>4. God Promises to _____ the Land</p> <p>a. God will make them abound:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In their efforts • Their children • Their possessions • Their food <p>b. God will rejoice over them</p> <p>c. Condition: If they obey and turn to God</p>
<p>¹¹ " For this commandment which I command you today <i>is not too</i> mysterious for you, nor <i>is</i> it far off. ¹² "It <i>is</i> not in heaven, that you should say, 'Who will ascend into heaven for us and bring it to us, that we may hear it and do it?' ¹³ "Nor <i>is</i> it beyond the sea, that you should say, 'Who will go over the sea for us and bring it to us, that we may hear it and do it?' ¹⁴ "But the word <i>is</i> very near you, in your mouth and in your heart, that you may do it.</p>	<p>5. God's Commandment is _____</p> <p>a. Lit. "the commandment is not too wonderful and not too distant."</p> <p>b. God's word is near to them – they may do it.</p>
<p>¹⁵ " See, I have set before you today life and good, death and evil, ¹⁶ "in that I command you today to love the LORD your God, to walk in His ways, and to keep His commandments, His statutes, and His judgments, that you may live and multiply; and the LORD your God will bless you in the land which you go to possess.</p>	<p>6. God Urges Israel to _____ to Obey</p> <p>a. Two choices:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Life and good • Death and evil <p>b. God commands Israel:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Love the Lord your God • Walk in His ways • Keep His commandments <p>c. The result:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • That they might live • That they might multiply • That God might bless them
<p>¹⁷ "But if your heart turns away so that you do not hear, and are drawn away, and worship other gods and serve them, ¹⁸ "I announce to you today that you shall surely perish; you shall not prolong <i>your</i> days in the land which you cross over the Jordan to go in and possess.</p>	<p>7. God Warns Israel Not to _____</p> <p>a. But if:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Their heart turns away • They are drawn away • They worship and serve other gods <p>b. They will perish - they will not prolong their days</p>
<p>¹⁹ "I call heaven and earth as witnesses today against you, <i>that</i> I have set before you life and death, blessing and cursing; therefore choose life, that both you and your descendants may live; ²⁰ "that you may love the LORD your God, that you may obey His voice, and that you may cling to Him, for He <i>is</i> your life and the length of your days; and that you may dwell in the land which the LORD swore to your fathers, to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, to give them."</p>	<p>8. God Gives _____ to Obey</p> <p>a. Two choices:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Life and blessing • Death and cursing <p>b. God again urges them to choose life</p> <p>c. How do they do that?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • By loving the Lord • By obeying His voice • By clinging to Him <p>d. What are the benefits?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • He is their life and the length of their days • They may dwell in the land