

## THROUGH THE BIBLE IN A YEAR

3/19 – Deut 33-34, Luke 1:24-56  
3/20 – Josh 1-3, Luke 1:57-80  
3/21 – Josh 4-6, Luke 2:1-24  
3/22 – Josh 7-8, Luke 2:25-52

3/23 – Josh 9-10, Luke 3  
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### DEUTERONOMY

#### **OUTLINE**

- I. The First Speech: Moses Reviews the Past (1:1-4:43)
- II. The Second Speech: Moses Tells What the Lord Requires (4:44-29:1)
- III. The Third Speech: Israel Must Keep Its Agreement with the Lord (29:2-30:20)
- IV. Joshua is Appointed Leader of Israel (31:1-13)
- V. Israel Will Reject the Lord (31:14-29)
- VI. The Song of Moses (31:30-32:47)
- VII. Moses Sees the Land and Blesses the Tribes of Israel (32:48-33:29)
- VIII. The Death of Moses (34:1-12)

#### **BIBLE BLURB (from @biblesummary)**

Dt33: Moses blessed Israel before his death: Let Reuben live; bless Levi's work; Joseph's land is blessed. The eternal God is your refuge.

Dt34: Moses climbed Mount Nebo. There the LORD showed him the promised land. Then Moses died. No prophet has arisen in Israel like Moses.

### JOSHUA

The book of Joshua tells how Israel settled in Canaan, the land God promised to give them. The book gets its name from its main character, Joshua, who had become the leader of Israel following the death of Moses.

The book of Joshua has two parts. In the first part the Lord helped Israel capture many of the cities and towns of Canaan. Sometimes this help involved miracles.

But the Lord refused to help Israel if the people broke their agreement to worship only him and to obey his commands.

The second part of the book describes how each tribe received its land. Israel had captured territory east of the Jordan River. This land had already been promised to the tribes of Reuben, Gad, and half of Manasseh, but they had to help the other tribes take over the rest of Canaan. The tribes of Judah, Ephraim, and West Manasseh took over their sections of the land fairly quickly. Then the rest of the land was explored and divided into sections, and the Lord showed Joshua which sections to assign to each of the remaining tribes. But since the Levites were the special servants of the Lord, they did not receive a large area of land like the other tribes. Instead, they were given towns scattered throughout the whole country.

At the end of the book, Joshua made two speeches emphasizing how good the Lord had been to the Israelites. Then Joshua gave them a challenge: Worship the Lord, obey him, and always be faithful.

#### **OUTLINE**

- I. Joshua Becomes the Leader of Israel (1:1-9)
- II. Israel Crosses the Jordan River and Conquers Jericho (1:10-6:27)
- III. Achan Disobeys the Lord (7:1-26)
- IV. The Battle at Ai (8:1-35)
- V. The People of Gibeon Trick the Leaders of Israel (9:1-27)
- VI. Joshua Commands the Sun to Stand Still (10:1-15)
- VII. Israel Takes Over Much of the Land of Canaan (10:16-12:24)
- VIII. Land that Israel Did Not Take Over (13:1-7)
- IX. Tribal Lands that Moses Had Assigned East of the Jordan (13:8-33)
- X. Tribal Lands West of the Jordan (14:1-19:51)
- XI. Towns for Protecting People Accused of Murder (20:1-9)
- XII. Towns for the Levi Tribe (21:1-45)

- XIII. The Eastern Tribes Return Home (22:1-34)  
XIV. Joshua's Farewell Speeches and Death (23:1-24:33)

#### **BIBLE BLURB (from @biblesummary)**

Josh1: The LORD said to Joshua, "Arise, cross into the land. Be strong and courageous." So Joshua told the officers to prepare provisions.

Josh2: Joshua sent two spies to Jericho. A prostitute called Rahab hid them, so they promised to spare her family. They reported to Joshua.

Josh3: The Israelites camped by the Jordan. When the priests carrying the ark reached the river it stopped, so Israel crossed on dry ground.

Josh4: The LORD told Joshua to set up memorial stones from the Jordan. When the priests brought the ark up to the bank the waters returned.

Josh5: The LORD told Joshua to circumcise the men. They called the place Gilgal. Joshua met the commander of the LORD's army and bowed down.

Josh6: The LORD said that the army should march around Jericho. On the seventh day they shouted and the walls fell. They destroyed the city.

Josh7: Achan took some banned items. When the army went against Ai they were defeated. The LORD identified Achan and the people stoned him.

Josh8: The LORD told Joshua to take the army against Ai. They set up an ambush and destroyed the city. Joshua read out the book of the law.

Josh9: The Gibeonites sent envoys. They pretended that they were from far away and made a treaty. The Israelites found out but spared them.

Josh10: Five Amorite kings attacked the Gibeonites. The sun stood still while the Israelites took revenge. Joshua defeated the whole region.

Josh11: The kings of the north joined forces to fight against Israel but the LORD gave Joshua victory. So Joshua took the whole land.

Josh12: Israel defeated the kings east of the Jordan under Moses and the kings west of the Jordan under Joshua. Thirty-one kings in total.

Josh13: Now Joshua was old. The LORD said, "Divide the remaining land among the tribes." Moses had given land to Reuben, Gad and Manasseh.

Josh14: Judah came to Joshua. Caleb said, "Moses promised me the mountain because I obeyed the LORD fully." So Joshua gave Hebron to Caleb.

Josh15: Judah's land bordered with Edom to the south. Caleb took Hebron, Othniel took Kiriath-sepher but Judah could not defeat Jerusalem.

Josh16: Joseph's land was from the Jordan to the sea. Ephraim's territory was within Manasseh's. Ephraim did not drive out the Canaanites.

Josh17: There was a lot for Machir the firstborn of Manasseh and a lot for the rest of Manasseh. Manasseh did not drive out the Canaanites.

Josh18: Joshua sent surveyors from the remaining tribes and then divided the land. Benjamin's lot was from Kiriath-jearim to the Salt Sea.

### **LUKE**

God's love is for everyone! Jesus came into the world to be the Savior of all people! These are two of the main thoughts in this book. Several of the best known stories that Jesus used for teaching about God's love are found only in Luke's Gospel: The Good Samaritan, A Lost Sheep, and A Lost Son. Only Luke tells how Jesus visited in the home of a hated tax collector and promised life in paradise to a dying criminal.

Luke mentions God's Spirit more than any of the other New Testament writers. For example, the power of the Spirit was with John the Baptist from the time he was born. And the angel promised Mary, "The Holy Spirit will come down to you...So your child will be called the holy Son of God." Jesus followed the Spirit and taught that the Spirit is God's greatest gift.

Luke shows how important prayer was to Jesus. Jesus prayed often: after being baptized, before choosing the disciples, before asking his disciples who they thought he was, and before giving up his life on the cross. From Luke we learn of three stories that Jesus told to teach about prayer.

An important part of Luke's story is the way in which he shows the concern of Jesus for the poor: the good news is preached to them, they receive God's blessings, they are invited to the great feast, the poor man Lazarus is taken to heaven by angels, and Jesus commands his disciples to sell what they have and give the money to the poor.

To make sure that readers would understand that Jesus was raised physically from death, Luke reports that the risen Jesus ate a piece of fish. There could be no mistake about the risen Jesus: he was not a ghost. His being raised from death was real and not

someone's imagination. Luke also wrote another book—the Acts of the Apostles—to show what happened to Jesus' followers after he was raised from death and taken up to heaven. No other Gospel has a second volume that continues the story.

Luke closes this first book that he wrote by telling that Jesus returned to heaven. But right before Jesus leaves, he tells his disciples: "The Scriptures say that the Messiah must suffer, then three days later he will rise from death. They also say that all people of every nation must be told in my name to turn to God, in order to be forgiven. So beginning in Jerusalem, you must tell everything that has happened."

## **OUTLINE**

- I. Why Luke Wrote this Book (1:1-4)
- II. The Births of John the Baptist and Jesus (1:5-2:52)
- III. The Message of John the Baptist (3:1-20)
- IV. The Baptism and Temptation of Jesus (3:21-4:13)
- V. Jesus' Ministry in Galilee (4:14-9:50)
- VI. Jesus Goes from Galilee to Jerusalem (9:51-19:27)
- VII. Jesus' Last Week: His Trial and Death (19:28-23:56)
- VIII. Jesus is Alive (24:1-12)
- IX. Jesus Appears, He is Taken to Heaven (24:13-53)

## **BIBLE BLURB (from @biblesummary)**

Lk1: The angel Gabriel foretold the birth of John. He told Mary, "You will have a son named Jesus." Mary said, "My soul magnifies the Lord!"

Lk2: Mary gave birth in Bethlehem. Angels sent shepherds to see the child. Jesus was presented at the temple. He grew in wisdom and stature.

Lk3: John came from the wilderness preaching repentance. Jesus was baptised. He was son of David, son of Abraham, son of Adam, son of God.

Lk4: Jesus was tempted by Satan in the wilderness. In the synagogue he read out, "The Spirit of the Lord is on me." He healed all the sick.

Lk5: Simon, James and John left everything and followed Jesus. Jesus forgave and healed a paralytic. The Pharisees asked him about fasting.

## **Getting to Know God Through His Book - 4 Questions - Ask...**

**Insight**—what does the passage say? Paraphrase the main point(s) and the commands to follow, promises to claim, examples to follow (or avoid), etc.

**Question**—what don't I understand? Need to know more about? How does this passage make me feel?

**Praise**—what does this passage teach me about God? Turn what the passage says into praise for the Lord's goodness, power, holiness, wisdom, etc.

**Apply**—what is God saying to me from this passage? Confess how you have not followed it. Pray, asking God to help you obey. Get quiet and ask God to speak to you.

**Journal**—write out your prayers, thoughts, responses to God and His Word

## **HOW TO PRAY**

Scripture is God speaking to us. Prayer is us speaking to and listening to God. Jesus gave us the model in the Lord's Prayer (Mt 6). Keep your relationship fresh with the Lord by both reading and praying - two way communication. Remember to look up like Jesus did when He prayed.

1. Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed by thy name – focus on God, adore, praise, thank Him – long to see His glory and honor.
2. Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done – ask for what you know will please Him, pray back the Scripture – that is His will.
3. Give us this day our daily bread – ask for your needs and others to be met.
4. Forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us – ask for forgiveness, from God, and from others you may have hurt. Ask God to help you forgive and restore others too. Ask Him to get rid of bitterness and have love & compassion for those who have hurt you.
5. And lead us not into temptation – ask God to take over your day, protect you and others from evil.
6. For thine is the kingdom, power & glory – end by re-focusing on God, His kingdom, power, and glory!
7. Listen – ask God to speak to you by His Spirit – always test what you hear by His Word.
8. Pray the Blind Bartimaeus Prayer (Mark 10) – Tell God what you feel, what you want, and ask God what you should do to get what you want (if what you want is right).