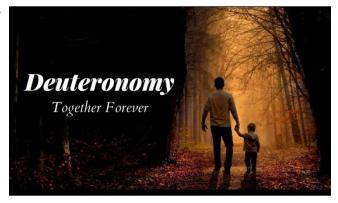
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Study Notes (Deuteronomy 9:1-29)



Chapter 9:1-12 Remembering: Outside of God we are and have nothing!

- o (Vv.1-2) The Anakim triggered fear in Israel, taking their eyes off God.
- o (Vv. 3) Keep your eyes on God, who goes before you.
 - Consuming Fire. Israel was the human component of God's judgment of destruction upon the Canaanites. Fire pictures His Holiness.

• Hebrews 12:29

<u>o</u> (Vv.4-5) Remember that it is God who is providing the good in their lives. Not to lord over them but remind them that He is their source for all that they could ever need. Trust and obey Him.

Philippians 4:19 / Romans 10:5-9

O(Vv.6-12) Note the contrast of Israel and Moses- one given to gluttonous idolatry, the other fasting patience interceding between man and God. To help anchor the reality of all things coming from God, Moses reminds the people of their greatest sin against God, and ultimately His forgiveness and restoration.

<u>Chapter 9:13-29</u> **Recognizing: The Need for a Mediator**

- o (Vv.13-17) What is in the heart will always find its way out. The Law can never forget nor forgive sin. Never. The breaking of the Law illustrates the inability for it to forgive. It cannot.
- (Vv.18-20) Moses lays and intercedes through a second 40 days of fasting between Israel and God. Specifically interceding for his brother, Aaron.

Exodus 32:11-35

- (Vv.21-29) As seen in the Exodus narrative referenced above, Moses tells the story with a focus on the intercession rather than the judgment. While the judgment did happen, because the Law cannot forgive, a mediator bore the judgment upon sin so some could be spared and forgiven.
 - 1 Peter 2:24-25. Jesus took upon Himself our sin
 - **1 John 2:1-6**. Jesus atoned for our sin; no longer is God's Wrath upon us.
 - **1 Timothy 2:1-7**. As Moses served as mediator between God and Israel, this was a shadow of the true Mediator Jesus between God and the world.

"And in the wilderness, where you have seen how the LORD your God carried you, as a man carries his son, all the way that you went until you came to this place."

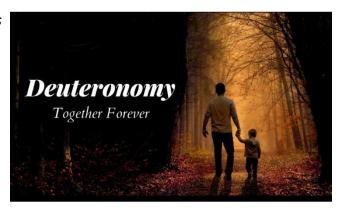
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Deeper Questions for Application

- 1) In your own words, describe the overall theme for Deuteronomy chapter 9.
- 2) Why is God described as a consuming fire? Why does God want us to remember that He is the source of all that we could ever need?
- 3) Can the Law show us forgiveness? Why or why not?
- 4) What role does Moses fill in verses 21-29? What is a Mediator?
- 5) Do we need a Mediator between us and God? Who is our Mediator? (See 1 Timothy 2:1-7). How was Israel able to receive mercy and grace then if Jesus had not yet died on the crosse? What does Jesus work on the cross mean for us and the world today? What does it continually mean for you? (See 1 Peter 2:24-25; 1 John 2:1-6)

^{*}Type your answers and send them to me at damianmericka@live.com or attach through facebook messenger. *For Next Week read Deuteronomy Chapter 10:1-22