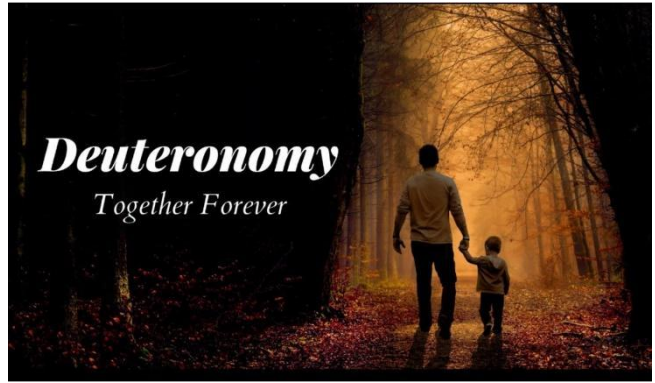


**Study Notes (Deuteronomy 16:9-12)**



Chapter 16:1-17      **3 Feasts- A Shadow of Things to Come**

o Why the Jewish Feasts matter -> they show us Jesus!

▪ **Colossians 2:16-17; Hebrews 10:1**

- o Moses focus' on the following three Feasts here because all men 20 years of age and older were required to attend in person, and if at all possible, their families too.
  - Passover (Week 21 Lesson)
  - Weeks / Harvest / Day of First Fruits / Pentecost (Week 22 Lesson)
  - Booths / Ingathering (Week 23 Lesson)
- o These Feasts were consecutive due to the nature of requiring the in-person observance.

Chapter 16:9-12      The Feast of Weeks

- o V. 9 Seven weeks after Passover this Feast would begin, as soon as the sickle is put forth to harvest the grain. This would be fifty days after Firstfruits, making the day of celebration the first day of the week. The Greek form of *fiftieth* is *Pentecost*, which we see used in the New Testament.
  - Sickle- a harvesting tool (sharp curve blade, long wooden handle) used to cut and harvest grain. We see it used here to shadow what would be the outpouring of the Spirit of God leading into the ultimate harvest to come upon the earth.
    - **See Luke 10:2 / Revelation 14:14-16**
- o V.10 Freewill offering of loaves. These loaves would be baked from the first of the sickle harvest and would be baked with leaven.
  - **See Leviticus 23:15-22**
    - We see a symbolism here of the church today. Now that Jesus has suffered, died and rose again (Passover) we have the Spirit (Pentecost) and are no longer single sheaves, but baked together in a loaf with leaven (sin). This shows that the church will never fully be pure until Jesus returns for His bride.
      - o **See 1 Corinthians 12:12-13 / 5:6-13**
- o Vv.11-12 Joy is the tone in this Feast now that Passover has come; freedom is now the song of a delivered people and the call to pursue holiness for us today!
  - **See Philippians 4:4-7 / James 1:27**

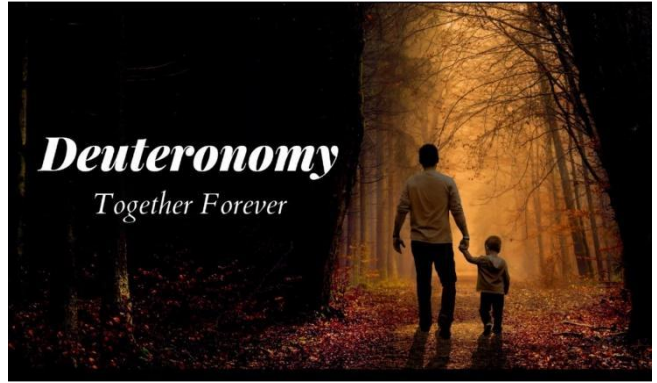
"And in the wilderness, where you have seen how the LORD your God carried you, as a man carries his son, all the way that you went until you came to this place." -Deuteronomy 1:31

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### Deeper Questions for Application

- 1) *What value does learning about the Jewish Feasts have for believers in Jesus today? Which Feast are we looking at today?*
- 2) *How many days was the Feast of Weeks to be celebrated after Passover? Was does this number translate in Greek to that we use today?*
- 3) *What happened on the Day of Pentecost after Jesus' Death, Burial, and Resurrection?*
- 4) *What was the sickle used for and how does it relate to both our current Feast and Revelation 14 reference?*
- 5) *What was to be offered at this Feast? (Hint: See Leviticus 23:15-22) How does this relate to us as believers today? Is sin still present in the church? When will it be fully gone?*
- 6) *What was the tone of this Feast and how is this to be our song today? How can we have joy despite our circumstances?*

\*Type your answers and send them to me at [damianmericka@live.com](mailto:damianmericka@live.com) or attach through facebook messenger. **\*For Next Time read Deuteronomy Chapter 16:13-17**