

THE BLESSINGS OF MOSES

AMONG ALL OF THE ORACLES AND PROPHECIES THAT DESCRIBE YAHWEH AS COMING BACK FROM HEAVEN IN THE CLOUDS TO SAVE HIS PEOPLE WITH AN ARMY OF ANGELS MARCHING BEFORE HIM, THIS ONE IS THE FOUNDATION. THERE ARE NUMEROUS DESCRIPTIONS ABOUT THE RETURN OF JESUS THAT BEGIN IN THIS PROPHECY.

I. DESERT MESSIANIC PROPHECIES

- A. Very few scholars recognize that [Deuteronomy 33](#) is talking about the return of Jesus, but that is how Jesus and the New Testament writers interpreted it. This is the foundational text in the whole Bible for the return of Jesus.
- B. [vs 1-2](#) Yahweh is portrayed as coming from Mount Sinai, where the betrothal covenant was made.
 - 1) the Hebrew for “comes” is in the Hebrew perfect tense, meaning they can be translated as past tense, present tense, ongoing tense, or future tense
 - a) it should be translated as “will come” for it’s ultimate meaning is concerning the future return of Jesus
 - 2) “[from the midst of ten thousand holy ones](#)” ([Matthew 16:27](#))
- C. [vs 26-27](#) Jeshuran was a pet name for Israel and means “my upright ones”
 - 1) “[who rides across the heavens to help you and on the clouds](#)” Israel was about to enter the Promised Land; the people there worshiped Baal, who they referred to as “he who rides upon the clouds.” God took that title
 - 2) “[he will drive out your enemies](#)” (see [Revelation 19:11](#))
- D. [vs 28-29](#) “[the sword of your majesty](#)” this is the first reference to the Lord coming back as the sword of Israel ([Revelation 1:16](#))
- E. Here are the primary themes that we see within the blessing of Moses: YHVH will come from heaven
 - 1) in anthropomorphic (human) form
 - 2) in the clouds
 - 3) shining in radiant glory
 - 4) with myriads of His angels
 - 5) to save His people
 - 6) to execute vengeance on His enemies
 - a) all of these themes perfectly describe the return of Jesus and are appropriated to His return in the New Testament