

READ THROUGH THE BIBLE SCHEDULE FOR 07/30/12 TO 8/05/12

MONDAY, JULY 30, 2012 Read Deuteronomy 27:1-26

This chapter begins Moses' third and final sermon. In it he arranges for a permanent "billboard" display of the covenant to be set up in Canaan (27:1-8). And he arranges an "audiovisual" demonstration as well (27:9-26). As you read, note especially the Lord's concern for the spiritual well-being of His people and His compassion for the poor and weak.

TUESDAY, JULY 31, 2012 Read Deuteronomy 28: 1-68

Imagine the scene: The priests standing between Mt. Gerizim and Mt. Ebal with the ark of the covenant; the people of six tribes of Israel on Gerizim, the people of the other six tribes on Ebal. As the priests pronounce the blessings and curses, the people reply, "Amen!" In this way, the covenant was to be ratified. Joshua 8:32-35 tells us that Israel later did what God through Moses had commanded here.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 1, 2012 Read Deuteronomy 29:1-29

Once again Moses reminds the entire nation of who they are and of what the Lord has done for them. Then he invites them to enter fully, personally, and wholeheartedly into the covenant wants to give them (29:12). But if they refuse- individually or as a group- the curse will most certainly fall.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 2, 2012 Read Deuteronomy 30: 1-20

How well the lord knows human hearts! Despite the spiritual growth He had brought about in the hearts of His people, times of unbelief and sin lay ahead. Future generations would wander from the covenant and from the Covenant-Maker, their Lord. As you read today, look for the message of Law (judgment on sin) and the message of Gospel (grace for the repentant sinner).

FRIDAY, AUGUST 3, 2012 Read Deuteronomy 31:1-30

Moses concludes his third sermon by inaugurating Joshua as Israel's new leader. After Moses' death the people are to review the covenant regularly and teach it to their children. Nevertheless, Moses warns them, this covenant will fail. Not because the Lord will break it but because human beings cannot fulfill it from their side. We are by nature, rebels (31:27, 29).

SATURDAY, AUGUST 4, 2012 Read Deuteronomy 32:1-52

Have you ever gotten the words and the tune of a song caught in your mind? When that happens, often against our will, we listen to the lyrics over and over. In today's reading, Moses teaches Israel a song. Years later even, the people would find their minds playing replaying these lyrics. Caught in their sins and in sin's consequences, they remember the Lord, His Law, and His invitation to return to him.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 5, 2012 Come to worship and then catch up on any missed reading.