

## The Fifth Book of Moses, called Deuteronomy

<sup>1</sup> These *are* the words which Moses spoke to all Israel on the east side of Jordan in the wilderness, in the plain over against Suf, between Paran, and Tophel, and Laban, and Hazeroth, and Dizahab. <sup>2</sup> (*There are* eleven days *journey* from Horeb by the way of mount Seir to Kadesh-barnea.) <sup>3</sup> And it came to pass in the fortieth year, in the eleventh month, on the first *day* of the month, *that* Moses spoke to the children of Israel, according to all that the LORD had given him in commandment to them; <sup>4</sup> After he had slain Sihon the king of the Amorites, who dwelt in Heshbon, and Og the king of Bashan, who dwelt at Astaroth in Edrei: <sup>5</sup> On the east side of Jordan, in the land of Moab, began Moses to declare this law, saying, <sup>6</sup> The LORD our God spoke to us in Horeb, saying, Ye have dwelt long enough in this mount: <sup>7</sup> Turn you, and take your journey, and go to the mount of the Amorites, and to all *the places* nigh to it, in the plain, on the hills, and in the vale, and in the south, and by the sea-side, to the land of the Canaanites, and to Lebanon, to the great river, the river Euphrates. <sup>8</sup> Behold, I have set the land before you: go in and possess the land which the LORD swore to your fathers, Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, to give to them and to their seed after them. <sup>9</sup> And I spoke

to you at that time, saying, I am not able to bear you myself alone: <sup>10</sup> The LORD your God hath multiplied you, and behold, ye *are* this day as the stars of heaven for multitude. <sup>11</sup> (The LORD God of your fathers make you a thousand times so many more as ye *are* , and bless you, as he hath promised you!) <sup>12</sup> How can I alone bear your encumbrance, and your burden, and your strife? <sup>13</sup> Take ye wise men, and understanding, and known among your tribes, and I will make them rulers over you. <sup>14</sup> And ye answered me, and said, The thing which thou hast spoken is good *for us* to do. <sup>15</sup> So I took the chief of your tribes, wise men, and known, and made them heads over you, captains over thousands, and captains over hundreds, and captains over fifties, and captains over tens, and officers among your tribes. <sup>16</sup> And I charged your judges at that time, saying, Hear *the causes* between your brethren, and judge righteously between *every* man and his brother, and the stranger *that is* with him. <sup>17</sup> Ye shall not respect persons in judgment; *but* ye shall hear the small as well as the great; ye shall not be afraid of the face of man; for the judgment is God's: and the cause that is too hard for you, bring to me, and I will hear it. <sup>18</sup> And I commanded you at that time all the things which ye should do. <sup>19</sup> And when we departed from Horeb, we went through all that great and terrible wilderness, which ye saw by the way of the mountain of the Amorites, as the LORD our God commanded us; and we came to Kadesh-barnea. <sup>20</sup> And I said to you, Ye have come to

the mountain of the Amorites, which the LORD our God doth give to us. <sup>21</sup> Behold, the LORD thy God hath set the land before thee: go up *and* possess *it* , as the LORD God of thy fathers hath said to thee; fear not, neither be discouraged. <sup>22</sup> And ye came near to me every one of you, and said, We will send men before us, and they shall explore the land for us, and bring us word again by what way we must go up, and into what cities we shall come. <sup>23</sup> And the saying pleased me well: and I took twelve men of you, one of a tribe: <sup>24</sup> And they turned and ascended the mountain, and came to the valley of Eshcol, and explored it. <sup>25</sup> And they took of the fruit of the land in their hands, and brought *it* down to us, and brought us word again, and said, *It is* a good land which the LORD our God doth give us. <sup>26</sup> Notwithstanding, ye would not go up, but rebelled against the commandment of the LORD your God: <sup>27</sup> And ye murmured in your tents, and said, Because the LORD hated us, he hath brought us forth from the land of Egypt, to deliver us into the hand of the Amorites, to destroy us. <sup>28</sup> Whither shall we go up? our brethren have discouraged our heart, saying, The people *are* greater and taller than we; the cities *are* great and walled up to heaven; and moreover, we have seen the sons of the Anakims there. <sup>29</sup> Then I said to you, Dread not, neither be afraid of them. <sup>30</sup> The LORD your God who goeth before you; he shall fight for you, according to all that he did for you in Egypt before your eyes; <sup>31</sup> And in the wilderness, where thou hast seen how the LORD thy God

bore thee, as a man doth bear his son, in all the way that ye went, until ye came into this place. <sup>32</sup> Yet in this thing ye did not believe the LORD your God, <sup>33</sup> Who went in the way before you, to search out for you a place to pitch your tents *in* , in fire by night, to show you by what way ye should go, and in a cloud by day. <sup>34</sup> And the LORD heard the voice of your words, and was wroth, and swore, saying, <sup>35</sup> Surely there shall not one of these men of this evil generation see that good land, which I swore to give to your fathers, <sup>36</sup> Save Caleb the son of Jephunneh; he shall see it, and to him will I give the land that he hath trod upon, and to his children, because he hath wholly followed the LORD. <sup>37</sup> Also the LORD was angry with me for your sakes, saying, Thou also shalt not go in thither. <sup>38</sup> *But* Joshua the son of Nun, who standeth before thee, he shall go in thither. Encourage him: for he shall cause Israel to inherit it. <sup>39</sup> Moreover, your little ones, which ye said should be a prey, and your children, which in that day had no knowledge between good and evil, they shall go in thither, and to them will I give it, and they shall possess it. <sup>40</sup> *But as for* you, turn ye, and take your journey into the wilderness by the way of the Red sea. <sup>41</sup> Then ye answered and said to me, We have sinned against the LORD, we will go up and fight, according to all that the LORD our God commanded us. And when ye had girded on every man his weapons of war, ye were ready to ascend the hill. <sup>42</sup> And the LORD said to me, Say to them, Go not up, neither fight; for I *am*

not among you; lest ye be smitten before your enemies. <sup>43</sup> So I spoke to you; and ye would not hear, but rebelled against the commandment of the LORD, and presumptuously ascended the hill. <sup>44</sup> And the Amorites, who dwelt on that mountain, came out against you, and chased you, as bees do, and destroyed you in Seir, *even* to Hormah. <sup>45</sup> And ye returned and wept before the LORD; but the LORD would not hearken to your voice, nor give ear to you. <sup>46</sup> So ye abode in Kadesh many days, according to the days that ye abode *there* .

## 2

<sup>1</sup> Then we turned, and took our journey into the wilderness by the way of the Red sea, as the LORD spoke to me: and we compassed mount Seir many days. <sup>2</sup> And the LORD spoke to me, saying, <sup>3</sup> Ye have compassed this mountain long enough: turn you northward. <sup>4</sup> And command thou the people, saying, Ye *are* to pass through the border of your brethren the children of Esau, who dwell in Seir; and they will be afraid of you: therefore take ye good heed to yourselves: <sup>5</sup> Meddle not with them; for I will not give you of their land, no, not so much as a foot-breadth; because I have given mount Seir to Esau *for* a possession. <sup>6</sup> Ye shall buy food of them for money, that ye may eat; and ye shall also buy water of them for money, that ye may drink. <sup>7</sup> For the LORD thy God hath blessed thee in all the works of thy hand: he knoweth thy walking through this great wilderness: these

forty years the LORD thy God *hath been* with thee: thou hast lacked nothing. <sup>8</sup> And when we passed by from our brethren the children of Esau, who dwelt in Seir, through the way of the plain from Elath, and from Ezion-gaber, we turned and passed by the way of the wilderness of Moab. <sup>9</sup> And the LORD said to me, Distress not the Moabites, neither contend with them in battle: for I will not give thee of their land *for* a possession; because I have given Ar to the children of Lot *for* a possession. <sup>10</sup> (The Emims dwelt in it in times past, a people great, and many, and tall as the Anakims; <sup>11</sup> Who also were accounted giants, as the Anakims; but the Moabites call them Emims. <sup>12</sup> The Horims also dwelt formerly in Seir, but the children of Esau succeeded them, when they had destroyed them from before them, and dwelt in their stead; as Israel did to the land of his possession, which the LORD gave to them.) <sup>13</sup> Now rise, *said I*, and pass over the brook Zered: and we went over the brook Zered. <sup>14</sup> And the space in which we came from Kadesh-barnea, until we passed the brook Zered, *was* thirty and eight years; until all the generation of the men of war were wasted from among the host, as the LORD swore to them. <sup>15</sup> For indeed the hand of the LORD was against them, to destroy them from among the host, until they were consumed. <sup>16</sup> So it came to pass, when all the men of war were consumed and dead from among the people, <sup>17</sup> That the LORD spoke to me, saying, <sup>18</sup> Thou art to pass over through Ar, the coast of Moab, this day: <sup>19</sup> And *when* thou

comest nigh over against the children of Ammon, distress them not, nor meddle with them: for I will not give thee of the land of the children of Ammon *any* possession; because I have given it to the children of Lot *for* a possession. <sup>20</sup> (That also was accounted a land of giants: giants dwelt in it in old time; and the Ammonites call them Zamzummims; <sup>21</sup> A people great, and many, and tall as the Anakims; but the LORD destroyed them before them; and they succeeded them, and dwelt in their stead: <sup>22</sup> As he did to the children of Esau, who dwelt in Seir, when he destroyed the Horims from before them; and they succeeded them, and dwelt in their stead even to this day: <sup>23</sup> And the Avims who dwelt in Hazerim *even* to Azzah, the Caphtorims, who came forth from Captor, destroyed them, and dwelt in their stead.) <sup>24</sup> Arise ye, take your journey, and pass over the river Arnon: behold, I have given into thy hand Sihon the Amorite, king of Heshbon, and his land: begin to possess *it* , and contend with him in battle. <sup>25</sup> This day will I begin to put the dread of thee and the fear of thee upon the nations *that are* under the whole heaven, who shall hear report of thee, and shall tremble, and be in anguish because of thee. <sup>26</sup> And I sent messengers from the wilderness of Kedemoth to Sihon king of Heshbon with words of peace, saying, <sup>27</sup> Let me pass through thy land: I will go along by the highway, I will neither turn to the right hand nor to the left. <sup>28</sup> Thou shalt sell me food for money, that I may eat; and give me water for money, that I may drink:

only I will pass through on my feet; <sup>29</sup> (As the children of Esau who dwell in Seir, and the Moabites who dwell in Ar, did to me;) until I shall pass over Jordan into the land which the LORD our God giveth us. <sup>30</sup> But Sihon king of Heshbon would not let us pass by him: for the LORD thy God hardened his spirit, and made his heart obstinate, that he might deliver him into thy hand, as *appeareth* this day. <sup>31</sup> And the LORD said to me, Behold, I have begun to give Sihon and his land before thee: begin to possess, that thou mayest inherit his land. <sup>32</sup> Then Sihon came out against us, he and all his people, to fight at Jahaz. <sup>33</sup> And the LORD our God delivered him before us; and we smote him, and his sons, and all his people. <sup>34</sup> And we took all his cities at that time, and utterly destroyed the men, and the women, and the little ones of every city, we left none to remain. <sup>35</sup> Only the cattle we took for a prey to ourselves, and the spoil of the cities which we took. <sup>36</sup> From Aroer, which *is* by the brink of the river of Arnon, and *from* the city that *is* by the river, even to Gilead, there was not one city too strong for us: the LORD our God delivered all to us: <sup>37</sup> Only to the land of the children of Ammon thou camest not, *nor* to any place of the river Jabbok, nor to the cities on the mountains, nor to whatever the LORD our God forbad us.

### 3

<sup>1</sup> Then we turned, and went up the way to Bashan: and Og the king of Bashan came out

against us, he and all his people, to battle at Edrei. <sup>2</sup> And the LORD said to me, Fear him not: for I will deliver him, and all his people, and his land, into thy hand; and thou shalt do to him as thou didst to Sihon king of the Amorites, who dwelt at Heshbon. <sup>3</sup> So the LORD our God delivered into our hands Og also the king of Bashan, and all his people: and we smote him until none was left to him remaining. <sup>4</sup> And we took all his cities at that time, there was not a city which we took not from them, sixty cities, all the region of Argob, the kingdom of Og in Bashan. <sup>5</sup> All these cities *were* fortified with high walls, gates, and bars; besides unwalled towns a great number. <sup>6</sup> And we utterly destroyed them, as we did to Sihon king of Heshbon, utterly destroying the men, women, and children of every city. <sup>7</sup> But all the cattle, and the spoil of the cities, we took for a prey to ourselves. <sup>8</sup> And we took at that time out of the hand of the two kings of the Amorites the land that *was* on this side of Jordan, from the river of Arnon to mount Hermon; <sup>9</sup> (*Which* Hermon the Sidonians call Sirion; and the Amorites call it Shenir;) <sup>10</sup> All the cities of the plain, and all Gilead, and all Bashan, to Salchah and Edrei, cities of the kingdom of Og in Bashan. <sup>11</sup> For only Og king of Bashan remained of the remnant of giants; behold, his bedstead *was* a bedstead of iron; *is* it not in Rabbath of the children of Ammon? nine cubits *was* the length of it, and four cubits the breadth of it, after the cubit of a man. <sup>12</sup> And this land, *which* we possessed at that time, from Aroer,

which *is* by the river Arnon, and half mount Gilead, and its cities, I gave to the Reubenites and to the Gadites. <sup>13</sup> And the rest of Gilead, and all Bashan, *being* the kingdom of Og, I gave to the half-tribe of Manasseh; all the region of Argob, with all Bashan, which was called the land of giants. <sup>14</sup> Jair the son of Manasseh took all the country of Argob, to the borders of Geshuri, and Maachathi; and called them after his own name, Bashan-havoth-jair, to this day. <sup>15</sup> And I gave Gilead to Machir. <sup>16</sup> And to the Reubenites and to the Gadites I gave from Gilead even to the river Arnon half the valley, and the border even to the river Jabbok, *which is* the border of the children of Ammon: <sup>17</sup> The plain also, and Jordan, and the coast *of it*, from Chinnereth even to the sea of the plain, *even* the salt-sea, under Ashdoth-pisgah eastward. <sup>18</sup> And I commanded you at that time, saying, The LORD your God hath given you this land to possess it; ye shall pass over armed before your brethren the children of Israel, all *that are* meet for the war. <sup>19</sup> But your wives, and your little ones, and your cattle, (*for* I know that ye have many cattle,) shall abide in your cities which I have given you; <sup>20</sup> Until the LORD shall have given rest to your brethren, as well as to you, and *until* they also possess the land which the LORD your God hath given them beyond Jordan: and *then* shall ye return every man to his possession which I have given you. <sup>21</sup> And I commanded Joshua at that time, saying, Thy eyes have seen all that the LORD your God hath done to these two kings: so shall the LORD

do to all the kingdoms whither thou passest. <sup>22</sup> Ye shall not fear them: for the LORD your God he shall fight for you. <sup>23</sup> And I besought the LORD at that time, saying, <sup>24</sup> O LORD God, thou hast begun to show thy servant thy greatness, and thy mighty hand: for what God *is there* in heaven or in earth, that can do according to thy works, and according to thy might? <sup>25</sup> I pray thee, let me go over, and see the good land that *is beyond Jordan*, that goodly mountain, and Lebanon. <sup>26</sup> But the LORD was wroth with me for your sakes, and would not hear me: and the LORD said to me, Let it suffice thee; speak no more to me of this matter. <sup>27</sup> Ascend to the top of Pisgah, and lift up thy eyes westward, and northward, and southward, and eastward, and behold with thy eyes: for thou shalt not go over this Jordan. <sup>28</sup> But charge Joshua, and encourage him, and strengthen him: for he shall go over before this people, and he shall cause them to inherit the land which thou shalt see. <sup>29</sup> So we abode in the valley over against Beth-peor.

## 4

<sup>1</sup> Now therefore hearken, O Israel, to the statutes and to the judgments, which I teach you, to do *them*, that ye may live, and go in and possess the land which the LORD God of your fathers giveth you. <sup>2</sup> Ye shall not add to the word which I command you, neither shall ye diminish *ought* from it, that ye may keep the commandments of the LORD your God which I command you. <sup>3</sup> Your eyes have seen what the

LORD did because of Baal-peor: for all the men that followed Baal-peor, the LORD thy God hath destroyed them from among you. <sup>4</sup> But ye who adhered to the LORD your God, *are* alive every one of you this day. <sup>5</sup> Behold, I have taught you statutes, and judgments, even as the LORD my God commanded me, that ye should do so in the land whither ye go to possess it. <sup>6</sup> Keep therefore and do *them* ; for this *is* your wisdom and your understanding in the sight of the nations, which will hear all these statutes, and say, Surely this great nation *is* a wise and understanding people. <sup>7</sup> For what nation *is there* so great, which *hath* God so nigh to them, as the LORD our God *is* in all *things that* we call upon him *for* ? <sup>8</sup> And what nation *is there* so great, that hath statutes and judgments *so* righteous as all this law, which I set before you this day? <sup>9</sup> Only take heed to thyself, and keep thy soul diligently, lest thou shouldst forget the things which thy eyes have seen, and lest they depart from thy heart all the days of thy life: but teach them to thy sons, and thy sons' sons: <sup>10</sup> *Specially* the day that thou stoodest before the LORD thy God in Horeb, when the LORD said to me, Assemble the people to me, and I will make them hear my words, that they may learn to fear me all the days that they shall live upon the earth, and *that* they may teach their children. <sup>11</sup> And ye came near and stood under the mountain; and the mountain burned with fire to the midst of heaven, with darkness, clouds, and thick darkness. <sup>12</sup> And the LORD spoke to you out of the midst of the fire: ye heard

the voice of the words, but saw no similitude; only *ye heard* a voice. <sup>13</sup> And he declared to you his covenant, which he commanded you to perform, *even* ten commandments; and he wrote them upon two tables of stone. <sup>14</sup> And the LORD commanded me at that time to teach you statutes and judgments, that ye might do them in the land whither ye go over to possess it. <sup>15</sup> Take ye therefore good heed to yourselves; for ye saw no manner of similitude on the day *that* the LORD spoke to you in Horeb out of the midst of the fire; <sup>16</sup> Lest ye corrupt *yourselves* , and make to you a graven image, the similitude of any figure, the likeness of male or female, <sup>17</sup> The likeness of any beast that *is* on the earth, the likeness of any winged fowl that flieth in the air, <sup>18</sup> The likeness of any thing that creepeth on the ground, the likeness of any fish that *is* in the waters beneath the earth: <sup>19</sup> And lest thou shouldst lift up thy eyes to heaven, and when thou seest the sun, and the moon, and the stars, *even* all the host of heaven, shouldst be driven to worship them, and serve them, which the LORD thy God hath divided to all nations under the whole heaven. <sup>20</sup> But the LORD hath taken you, and brought you out of the iron furnace, *even* from Egypt, to be to him a people of inheritance, as *ye are* this day. <sup>21</sup> Furthermore the LORD was angry with me for your sakes, and swore that I should not go over Jordan, and that I should not enter that good land which the LORD thy God giveth thee *for* an inheritance: <sup>22</sup> But I must die in this land, I must not go over Jordan: but ye shall go

over, and possess that good land. <sup>23</sup> Take heed to yourselves, lest ye forget the covenant of the LORD your God, which he made with you, and make you a graven image, *or* the likeness of any *thing* which the LORD thy God hath forbidden thee. <sup>24</sup> For the LORD thy God is a consuming fire, *even* a jealous God. <sup>25</sup> When thou shalt beget children, and children's children, and ye shall have remained long in the land, and shall corrupt *yourselves* , and make a graven image, *or* the likeness of any *thing* , and shall do evil in the sight of the LORD thy God, to provoke him to anger: <sup>26</sup> I call heaven and earth to witness against you this day, that ye shall soon utterly perish from the land to which ye go over Jordan to possess it; ye shall not prolong *your* days upon it, but shall be utterly destroyed. <sup>27</sup> And the LORD shall scatter you among the nations, and ye shall be left few in number among the heathen, whither the LORD shall lead you. <sup>28</sup> And there ye shall serve gods, the work of men's hands, wood and stone, which neither see, nor hear, nor eat, nor smell. <sup>29</sup> But if from thence thou shalt seek the LORD thy God, thou shalt find *him* , if thou shalt seek him with all thy heart, and with all thy soul. <sup>30</sup> When thou art in tribulation, and all these things have come upon thee, *even* in the latter days, if thou shalt turn to the LORD thy God, and shalt be obedient to his voice; <sup>31</sup> (For the LORD thy God is a merciful God;) he will not forsake thee, neither destroy thee, nor forget the covenant of thy fathers, which he swore to them. <sup>32</sup> For ask now of the days that are past,

which were before thee, since the day that God created man upon the earth, and *ask* from the one side of heaven to the other, whether there hath been *any such thing* as this great thing is, or hath been heard like it? <sup>33</sup> Did *ever* people hear the voice of God speaking from the midst of the fire, as thou hast heard, and live? <sup>34</sup> Or hath God essayed to go *and* take him a nation from the midst of *another* nation, by temptations, by signs, and by wonders, and by war, and by a mighty hand, and by an out-stretched arm, and by great terrors, according to all that the LORD your God did for you in Egypt before your eyes? <sup>35</sup> To thee it was shown, that thou mightest know that the LORD he *is* God; *there is* none besides him. <sup>36</sup> Out of heaven he made thee to hear his voice, that he might instruct thee; and upon earth he showed thee his great fire; and thou heardst his words from the midst of the fire. <sup>37</sup> And because he loved thy fathers, therefore he chose their seed after them, and brought thee out of Egypt in his sight with his mighty power. <sup>38</sup> To drive out nations from before thee, greater and mightier than thou *art*, to bring thee in, to give thee their land *for* an inheritance, as *it is* this day. <sup>39</sup> Know therefore this day, and consider *it* in thy heart, that the LORD he *is* God in heaven above, and upon the earth beneath: *there is* none else. <sup>40</sup> Thou shalt keep therefore his statutes and his commandments which I command thee this day, that it may be well with thee, and with thy children after thee, and that thou mayest prolong *thy* days upon the earth, which the LORD

thy God giveth thee, for ever. <sup>41</sup> Then Moses set apart three cities on the side of Jordan, towards the sun-rising; <sup>42</sup> That the slayer might flee thither, who should kill his neighbor unawares, and when he had not hated him in times past; and that fleeing to one of these cities he might live: <sup>43</sup> *Namely* , Bezer in the wilderness, in the plain country, of the Reubenites; and Ramoth in Gilead, of the Gadites; and Golan in Bashan, of the Manassites. <sup>44</sup> And this is the law which Moses set before the children of Israel. <sup>45</sup> These *are* the testimonies, and the statutes, and the judgments, which Moses spoke to the children of Israel, after they came forth from Egypt, <sup>46</sup> On the east side of Jordan, in the valley over against Beth-Peor, in the land of Sihon king of the Amorites, who dwelt at Heshbon, whom Moses and the children of Israel smote, after they had come forth from Egypt: <sup>47</sup> And they possessed his land, and the land of Og king of Bashan, two kings of the Amorites, who *were* on the side of Jordan, towards the sun-rising; <sup>48</sup> From Aroer, which *is* by the bank of the river Arnon, even to mount Sion, which *is* Hermon, <sup>49</sup> And all the plain on the side of Jordan eastward, even to the sea of the plain, under the springs of Pisgah.

## 5

<sup>1</sup> And Moses called all Israel, and said to them, Hear, O Israel, the statutes and judgments which I speak in your ears this day, that ye may learn them, and keep, and do them. <sup>2</sup> The LORD our God made a covenant with us in Horeb. <sup>3</sup> The

LORD made not this covenant with our fathers, but with us, *even us*, who *are* all of us here alive this day. <sup>4</sup> The LORD talked with you face to face on the mount, from the midst of the fire, <sup>5</sup> (I stood between the LORD and you at that time, to show you the word of the LORD: for ye were afraid by reason of the fire, and went not up upon the mount;) saying, <sup>6</sup> I *am* the LORD thy God, who brought thee out of the land of Egypt, from the house of bondage. <sup>7</sup> Thou shalt have no other gods before me. <sup>8</sup> Thou shalt not make for thee *any* graven image, *or any likeness of any thing* that *is* in heaven above, or that *is* on the earth beneath, or that *is* in the waters beneath the earth: <sup>9</sup> Thou shalt not bow down thyself to them, nor serve them: for I the LORD thy God *am* a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children to the third and fourth *generation* of them that hate me, <sup>10</sup> And showing mercy to thousands of them that love me, and keep my commandments. <sup>11</sup> Thou shalt not take the name of the LORD thy God in vain: for the LORD will not hold *him* guiltless that taketh his name in vain. <sup>12</sup> Keep the sabbath-day to sanctify it, as the LORD thy God hath commanded thee. <sup>13</sup> Six days thou shalt labor, and do all thy work: <sup>14</sup> But the seventh day *is* the sabbath of the LORD thy God: *in it* thou shalt not do any work, thou, nor thy son, nor thy daughter, nor thy man-servant, nor thy maid-servant, nor thy ox, nor thy ass, nor any of thy cattle, nor thy stranger that *is* within thy gates; that thy man-servant and thy maid-servant may rest as well as thou.

<sup>15</sup> And remember that thou wast a servant in the land of Egypt, and *that* the LORD thy God brought thee out thence with a mighty hand and by an out-stretched arm: therefore the LORD thy God commanded thee to keep the sabbath-day. <sup>16</sup> Honor thy father and thy mother, as the LORD thy God hath commanded thee; that thy days may be prolonged, and that it may be well with thee, in the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee. <sup>17</sup> Thou shalt not kill. <sup>18</sup> Neither shalt thou commit adultery. <sup>19</sup> Neither shalt thou steal. <sup>20</sup> Neither shalt thou bear false witness against thy neighbor. <sup>21</sup> Neither shalt thou desire thy neighbor's wife, neither shalt thou covet thy neighbor's house, his field, or his man-servant, or his maid-servant, his ox, or his ass, or any *thing* that is thy neighbor's. <sup>22</sup> These words the LORD spoke to all your assembly on the mount from the midst of the fire, of the cloud, and of the thick darkness, with a great voice: and he added no more. And he wrote them in two tables of stone, and delivered them to me. <sup>23</sup> And it came to pass, when ye heard the voice from the midst of the darkness, (for the mountain did burn with fire,) that ye came near to me, *even* all the heads of your tribes, and your elders; <sup>24</sup> And ye said, Behold, the LORD our God hath shown us his glory and his greatness, and we have heard his voice from the midst of the fire: we have seen this day that God doth talk with man, and he liveth. <sup>25</sup> Now therefore why should we die? for this great fire will consume us: if we hear the voice of the LORD our God any more, then we

shall die. <sup>26</sup> For who *is there of* all flesh that hath heard the voice of the living God speaking out of the midst of the fire, as we *have* , and lived? <sup>27</sup> Go thou near; and hear all that the LORD our God shall say; and speak thou to us all that the LORD our God shall speak to thee; and we will hear *it* , and do *it* . <sup>28</sup> And the LORD heard the voice of your words, when ye spoke to me; and the LORD said to me, I have heard the voice of the words of this people, which they have spoke to thee: they have well said all that they have spoken. <sup>29</sup> O that there were such a heart in them, that they would fear me, and keep all my commandments always, that it might be well with them, and with their children for ever! <sup>30</sup> Go, say to them, Return to your tents again. <sup>31</sup> But as for thee, stand thou here by me, and I will speak to thee all the commandments, and the statutes, and the judgments, which thou shalt teach them, that they may do *them* in the land which I give them to possess it. <sup>32</sup> Ye shall observe to do therefore as the LORD your God hath commanded you: ye shall not turn aside to the right hand or to the left. <sup>33</sup> Ye shall walk in all the ways which the LORD your God hath commanded you, that ye may live, and *that it may be* well with you, and *that ye may prolong your* days in the land which ye shall possess.

## 6

<sup>1</sup> Now these *are* the commandments, the statutes, and the judgments which the LORD your God commanded to teach you, that ye may

do *them* in the land whither ye go to possess it: <sup>2</sup> That thou mayst fear the LORD thy God, to keep all his statutes and his commandments which I command thee, thou, and thy son, and thy son's son, all the days of thy life: and that thy days may be prolonged. <sup>3</sup> Hear therefore, O Israel, and observe to do *it* ; that it may be well with thee, and that ye may increase mightily, as the LORD God of thy fathers hath promised thee, in the land that floweth with milk and honey. <sup>4</sup> Hear, O Israel: the LORD our God *is* one LORD: <sup>5</sup> And thou shalt love the LORD thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy might. <sup>6</sup> And these words which I command thee this day, shall be in thy heart: <sup>7</sup> And thou shalt teach them diligently to thy children, and shalt talk of them when thou sittest in thy house, and when thou walkest by the way, and when thou liest down, and when thou risest up. <sup>8</sup> And thou shalt bind them for a sign upon thy hand, and they shall be as frontlets between thy eyes. <sup>9</sup> And thou shalt write them upon the posts of thy house, and on thy gates. <sup>10</sup> And it shall be, when the LORD thy God shall have brought thee into the land which he swore to thy fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, to give thee great and goodly cities, which thou didst not build, <sup>11</sup> And houses full of all good *things* , which thou didst not fill, and wells digged, which thou didst not dig, vineyards and olive-trees, which thou didst not plant; when thou shalt have eaten and be full; <sup>12</sup> *Then* beware lest thou shouldst forget the LORD, who brought thee forth from

the land of Egypt, from the house of bondage. <sup>13</sup> Thou shalt fear the LORD thy God, and serve him, and shalt swear by his name. <sup>14</sup> Ye shall not go after other gods, of the gods of the people which *are* around you; <sup>15</sup> (For the LORD thy God is a jealous God among you) lest the anger of the LORD thy God should be kindled against thee, and destroy thee from off the face of the earth. <sup>16</sup> Ye shall not tempt the LORD your God, as ye tempted *him* in Massah. <sup>17</sup> Ye shall diligently keep the commandments of the LORD your God, and his testimonies, and his statutes, which he hath commanded thee. <sup>18</sup> And thou shalt do *that which is* right and good in the sight of the LORD: that it may be well with thee, and that thou mayest go in and possess the good land which the LORD swore to thy fathers, <sup>19</sup> To cast out all thy enemies from before thee, as the LORD hath spoken. <sup>20</sup> *And* when thy son shall ask thee in time to come, saying, What *mean* the testimonies, and the statutes, and the judgments, which the LORD our God hath commanded you? <sup>21</sup> Then thou shalt say to thy son, We were Pharaoh's bond-men in Egypt: and the LORD brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand: <sup>22</sup> And the LORD showed signs and wonders, great and distressing, upon Egypt, upon Pharaoh, and upon all his household, before our eyes: <sup>23</sup> And he brought us out from thence, that he might bring us in, to give us the land which he swore to our fathers. <sup>24</sup> And the LORD commanded us to do all these statutes, to fear the LORD our God, for our good always, that he might preserve us alive, as *it*

is at this day. <sup>25</sup> And it shall be our righteousness, if we observe to do all these commandments before the LORD our God, as he hath commanded us.

## 7

<sup>1</sup> When the LORD thy God shall bring thee into the land whither thou goest to possess it, and hath cast out many nations before thee, the Hittites, and the Girgashites, and the Amorites, and the Canaanites, and the Perrizites, and the Hivites, and the Jebusites, seven nations greater and mightier than thou; <sup>2</sup> And when the LORD thy God shall deliver them before thee, thou shalt smite them *and* utterly destroy them, thou shalt make no covenant with them, nor show mercy to them: <sup>3</sup> Neither shalt thou make marriages with them; thy daughter thou shalt not give to his son, nor his daughter shalt thou take to thy son. <sup>4</sup> For they will turn away thy son from following me, that they may serve other gods: so will the anger of the LORD be kindled against you, and destroy thee suddenly. <sup>5</sup> But thus shall ye deal with them; ye shall destroy their altars, and break down their images, and cut down their groves, and burn their graven images with fire. <sup>6</sup> For thou *art* a holy people to the LORD thy God: the LORD thy God hath chosen thee to be a special people to himself, above all people that *are* upon the face of the earth. <sup>7</sup> The LORD did not set his love upon you, nor choose you, because ye were more in number than any people; for ye *were* the fewest of all people: <sup>8</sup> But because the

LORD loved you, and because he would keep the oath which he had sworn to your fathers, hath the LORD brought you out with a mighty hand, and redeemed you from the house of bondmen, from the hand of Pharaoh king of Egypt. <sup>9</sup> Know therefore that the LORD thy God, he is God, the faithful God, who keepeth covenant and mercy with them that love him and keep his commandments to a thousand generations: <sup>10</sup> And repayeth them that hate him to their face, to destroy them: he will not be slack to him that hateth him, he will repay him to his face. <sup>11</sup> Thou shalt therefore keep the commandments, and the statutes, and the judgments, which I command thee this day, to do them. <sup>12</sup> Wherefore it shall come to pass, if ye hearken to these judgments, and keep, and do them, that the LORD thy God will keep to thee the covenant and the mercy which he swore to thy fathers: <sup>13</sup> And he will love thee, and bless thee, and multiply thee: he will also bless thy children, and the fruit of thy land, thy corn, and thy wine, and thy oil, the increase of thy kine, and the flocks of thy sheep, in the land which he swore to thy fathers to give thee. <sup>14</sup> Thou shalt be blessed above all people: there shall not be male or female barren among you, or among your cattle. <sup>15</sup> And the LORD will take away from thee all sickness, and will put none of the evil diseases of Egypt (which thou knowest) upon thee; but will lay them upon all *them* that hate thee. <sup>16</sup> And thou shalt consume all the people which the LORD thy God shall deliver to thee; thy eye shall have no pity upon them:

neither shalt thou serve their gods; for that *will be* a snare to thee. <sup>17</sup> If thou shalt say in thy heart, These nations *are* more than I, how can I dispossess them? <sup>18</sup> Thou shalt not be afraid of them: *but* shalt well remember what the LORD thy God did to Pharaoh, and to all Egypt; <sup>19</sup> The great temptations which thy eyes saw, and the signs, and the wonders, and the mighty hand, and the out-stretched arm, by which the LORD thy God brought thee out: so shall the LORD thy God do to all the people of whom thou art afraid. <sup>20</sup> Moreover, the LORD thy God will send the hornet among them, until they that are left, and hide themselves from thee, shall be destroyed. <sup>21</sup> Thou shalt not be affrighted at them: for the LORD thy God *is* among you, a mighty God and terrible. <sup>22</sup> And the LORD thy God will drive out those nations before thee by little and little: thou mayest not consume them at once, lest the beasts of the field increase upon thee. <sup>23</sup> But the LORD thy God shall deliver them to thee, and shall destroy them with a mighty destruction, until they are destroyed. <sup>24</sup> And he shall deliver their kings into thy hand, and thou shalt destroy their name from under heaven: there shall no man be able to stand before thee, until thou shalt have destroyed them. <sup>25</sup> The graven images of their gods shall ye burn with fire: thou shalt not desire the silver or gold *that is* on them, nor take *it* to thee, lest thou shouldst be snared in it: for it *is* an abomination to the LORD thy God. <sup>26</sup> Neither shalt thou bring an abomination into thy house, lest thou shouldst be a cursed thing like it: *but*

thou shalt utterly detest it, and thou shalt utterly abhor it; for it is a cursed thing.

## 8

<sup>1</sup> All the commandments which I command thee this day shall ye observe to do, that ye may live, and multiply, and go in and possess the land which the LORD swore to your fathers.

<sup>2</sup> And thou shalt remember all the way which the LORD thy God hath led thee these forty years in the wilderness, to humble thee, *and* to prove thee, to know what *was* in thy heart, whether thou wouldst keep his commandments, or not.

<sup>3</sup> And he humbled thee, and suffered thee to hunger, and fed thee with manna, which thou knewest not, neither did thy fathers know; that he might make thee know that man doth not live by bread only, but by every *word* that proceedeth out of the mouth of the LORD doth man live.

<sup>4</sup> Thy raiment hath not become old upon thee, neither hath thy foot swelled these forty years.

<sup>5</sup> Thou shalt also consider in thy heart, that as a man chasteneth his son, *so* the LORD thy God chasteneth thee. <sup>6</sup> Therefore thou shalt keep the commandments of the LORD thy God, to walk in his ways, and to fear him. <sup>7</sup> For the LORD thy God bringeth thee into a good land, a land of brooks of water, of fountains, and depths that spring out of valleys and hills; <sup>8</sup> A land of wheat, and barley, and vines, and fig-trees, and pomegranates, a land of olive-oil, and honey; <sup>9</sup> A land in which thou shalt eat bread without scarceness, thou shalt not lack any *thing* in it, a land whose stones

are iron, and out of whose hills thou mayest dig brass. <sup>10</sup> When thou hast eaten and art full, then thou shalt bless the LORD thy God for the good land which he hath given thee. <sup>11</sup> Beware that thou forget not the LORD thy God, in not keeping his commandments, and his judgments, and his statutes, which I command thee this day: <sup>12</sup> Lest *when* thou hast eaten, and art full, and hast built goodly houses, and dwelt *in them* ; <sup>13</sup> And *when* thy herds and thy flocks multiply, and thy silver and thy gold are increased, and all that thou hast is increased; <sup>14</sup> Then thy heart shall be lifted up, and thou shalt forget the LORD thy God (who brought thee out of the land of Egypt, from the house of bondage;) <sup>15</sup> Who led thee through that great and terrible wilderness, *in which were* fiery serpents, and scorpions, and drouth, where *there was* no water; who brought thee forth water out of the rock of flint; <sup>16</sup> Who fed thee in the wilderness with manna, which thy fathers knew not, that he might humble thee, and that he might prove thee, to do thee good at thy latter end. <sup>17</sup> And thou shalt say in thy heart, My power and the might of my hand hath gotten me this wealth. <sup>18</sup> But thou shalt remember the LORD thy God: for *it is* he that giveth thee power to get wealth, that he may establish his covenant which he swore to thy fathers, as *it is* this day. <sup>19</sup> And it shall be, if thou shalt at all forget the LORD thy God, and walk after other gods, and serve them, and worship them, I testify against you this day that ye shall surely perish. <sup>20</sup> As the nations which the LORD destroyeth before your

face, so shall ye perish; because ye would not be obedient to the voice of the LORD your God.

## 9

<sup>1</sup> Hear, O Israel: Thou *art* to pass over Jordan this day, to go in to possess nations greater and mightier than thyself, cities great and fortified up to heaven, <sup>2</sup> A people great and tall, the children of the Anakims, whom thou knowest, and *of whom* thou hast heard *it said*, Who can stand before the children of Anak! <sup>3</sup> Understand therefore this day, that the LORD thy God *is* he who goeth over before thee; *as* a consuming fire he shall destroy them, and he shall bring them down before thy face: so shalt thou drive them out, and destroy them quickly, as the LORD hath said to thee. <sup>4</sup> Speak not thou in thy heart, after that the LORD thy God hath cast them out from before thee, saying, For my righteousness the LORD hath brought me in to possess this land: but for the wickedness of these nations the LORD doth drive them out from before thee. <sup>5</sup> Not for thy righteousness, or for the uprightness of thy heart dost thou go to possess their land: but for the wickedness of these nations, the LORD thy God doth drive them out from before thee, and that he may perform the word which the LORD swore to thy fathers, Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob. <sup>6</sup> Understand therefore, that the LORD thy God giveth thee not this good land to possess it for thy righteousness; for thou *art* a stiff-necked people. <sup>7</sup> Remember, *and* forget not, how thou provokedst the LORD thy God to wrath in the

wilderness: from the day that thou didst depart from the land of Egypt, until ye came to this place, ye have been rebellious against the LORD.

<sup>8</sup> Also in Horeb ye provoked the LORD to wrath, so that the LORD was angry with you to have destroyed you. <sup>9</sup> When I ascended the mount, to

receive the tables of stone, *even* the tables of the covenant which the LORD made with you, then I abode in the mount forty days and forty nights, I neither ate bread, nor drank water: <sup>10</sup> And the LORD delivered to me two tables of stone written with the finger of God; and on them *was written* according to all the words which the LORD spoke with you in the mount, from the midst of the fire, in the day of the assembly.

<sup>11</sup> And it came to pass at the end of forty days and forty nights, *that* the LORD gave me the two tables of stone, *even* the tables of the covenant.

<sup>12</sup> And the LORD said to me, Arise, go down quickly from hence; for thy people which thou hast brought forth out of Egypt have corrupted *themselves*; they are quickly turned aside from the way which I commanded them; they have made them a molten image. <sup>13</sup> Furthermore,

the LORD spoke to me, saying, I have seen this people, and behold, it *is* a stiff-necked people:

<sup>14</sup> Let me alone, that I may destroy them, and blot out their name from under heaven: and I will make of thee a nation mightier and greater than they. <sup>15</sup> So I turned and came down from the

mount, and the mount burned with fire: and the two tables of the covenant *were* in my two hands.

<sup>16</sup> And I looked, and behold, ye had sinned

against the LORD your God, *and* had made you a molten calf: ye had turned aside quickly from the way which the LORD had commanded you. <sup>17</sup> And I took the two tables, and cast them out of my two hands, and broke them before your eyes. <sup>18</sup> And I fell down before the LORD, as at the first, forty days and forty nights: I neither ate bread, nor drank water, because of all your sins which ye sinned, in doing wickedly in the sight of the LORD, to provoke him to anger. <sup>19</sup> (For I was afraid of the anger and hot displeasure with which the LORD was wroth against you to destroy you.) But the LORD hearkened to me at that time also. <sup>20</sup> And the LORD was very angry with Aaron to have destroyed him: and I prayed for Aaron also at the same time. <sup>21</sup> And I took your sin, the calf which ye had made, and burnt it with fire, and stamped it, *and* ground *it* very small, *even* until it was as small as dust: and I cast the dust of it into the brook that descended from the mount. <sup>22</sup> And at Taberah, and at Massah, and Kibroth-hattaavah, ye provoked the LORD to wrath. <sup>23</sup> Likewise when the LORD sent you from Kadesh-barnea, saying, Go up and possess the land which I have given you; then ye rebelled against the commandment of the LORD your God, and ye believed him not, nor hearkened to his voice. <sup>24</sup> Ye have been rebellious against the LORD from the day that I knew you. <sup>25</sup> Thus I fell down before the LORD forty days and forty nights, as I fell down *at the first* ; because the LORD had said he would destroy you. <sup>26</sup> I prayed therefore

to the LORD, and said, O LORD God, destroy not thy people and thy inheritance, which thou hast redeemed through thy greatness, which thou hast brought forth out of Egypt with a mighty hand. <sup>27</sup> Remember thy servants, Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; look not to the stubbornness of this people, nor to their wickedness, nor to their sin: <sup>28</sup> Lest the land from which thou hast brought us should say, Because the LORD was not able to bring them into the land which he promised them, and because he hated them, he hath brought them out to slay them in the wilderness. <sup>29</sup> Yet they *are* thy people and thy inheritance which thou hast brought out by thy mighty power and by thy out-stretched arm.

## 10

<sup>1</sup> At that time the LORD said to me, Hew thee two tables of stone like the first, and come up to me upon the mount, and make thee an ark of wood. <sup>2</sup> And I will write on the tables the words that were in the first tables which thou didst break, and thou shalt put them in the ark. <sup>3</sup> And I made an ark *of* shittim wood, and hewed two tables of stone like the first, and ascended the mount, having the two tables in my hand. <sup>4</sup> And he wrote on the tables according to the first writing, the ten commandments, which the LORD spoke to you in the mount, from the midst of the fire, in the day of the assembly: and the LORD gave them to me. <sup>5</sup> And I turned myself and came down from the mount, and put the tables in the ark which I had made;

and there they are, as the LORD commanded me. <sup>6</sup> And the children of Israel took their journey from Beeroth of the children of Jakan to Mosira: there Aaron died, and there he was buried; and Eleazar his son ministered in the priest's office in his stead. <sup>7</sup> From thence they journeyed to Gudgodah; and from Gudgodah to Jotbath, a land of rivers of waters. <sup>8</sup> At that time the LORD separated the tribe of Levi, to bear the ark of the covenant of the LORD, to stand before the LORD to minister to him, and to bless in his name, to this day. <sup>9</sup> Wherefore Levi hath no part nor inheritance with his brethren; the LORD is his inheritance, according as the LORD thy God promised him. <sup>10</sup> And I stayed in the mount, according to the first-time, forty days and forty nights; and the LORD hearkened to me at that time also, *and* the LORD would not destroy thee. <sup>11</sup> And the LORD said to me, Arise, take *thy* journey before the people, that they may go in and possess the land, which I swore to their fathers to give to them. <sup>12</sup> And now, Israel, what doth the LORD thy God require of thee, but to fear the LORD thy God, to walk in all his ways, and to love him, and to serve the LORD thy God with all thy heart and with all thy soul, <sup>13</sup> To keep the commandments of the LORD, and his statutes, which I command thee this day for thy good? <sup>14</sup> Behold, the heaven and the heaven of heavens belongeth to the LORD thy God, the earth *also* , with all that it contains. <sup>15</sup> Only the LORD had a delight in thy fathers to love them, and he chose their seed

after them, *even* you above all people, as *it is* this day. <sup>16</sup> Circumcise therefore the foreskin of your heart, and be no more stiff-necked. <sup>17</sup> For the LORD your God *is* God of gods, and Lord of lords, a great God, a mighty, and a terrible, who regardeth not persons, nor taketh reward: <sup>18</sup> He executeth the judgment of the fatherless and widow, and loveth the stranger, in giving him food and raiment. <sup>19</sup> Love ye therefore the stranger: for ye were strangers in the land of Egypt. <sup>20</sup> Thou shalt fear the LORD thy God; him shalt thou serve, and to him shalt thou cleave, and swear by his name. <sup>21</sup> He *is* thy praise, and he *is* thy God, that hath done for thee these great and terrible things which thy eyes have seen. <sup>22</sup> Thy fathers went down into Egypt with seventy persons; and now the LORD thy God hath made thee as the stars of heaven for multitude.

## 11

<sup>1</sup> Therefore thou shalt love the LORD thy God, and keep his charge, and his statutes, and his judgments, and his commandments, always. <sup>2</sup> And know ye this day: for *I speak* not with your children who have not known, and who have not seen the chastisement of the LORD your God, his greatness, his mighty hand, and his out-stretched arm, <sup>3</sup> And his miracles, and his acts, which he did in the midst of Egypt, to Pharaoh the king of Egypt, and to all his land; <sup>4</sup> And what he did to the army of Egypt, to their horses, and to their chariots; how he made the water of the Red sea to overflow them as they pursued after you,

and *how* the LORD hath destroyed them to this day; <sup>5</sup> And what he did to you in the wilderness, until ye came to this place; <sup>6</sup> And what he did to Dathan and Abiram, the sons of Eliab, the son of Reuben: how the earth opened her mouth, and swallowed them up, and their households, and their tents, and all the substance that *was* in their possession, in the midst of all Israel: <sup>7</sup> But your eyes have seen all the great acts of the LORD which he did. <sup>8</sup> Therefore shall ye keep all the commandments which I command you this day, that ye may be strong, and go in and possess the land, whither ye go to possess it; <sup>9</sup> And that ye may prolong *your* days in the land which the LORD swore to your fathers to give to them, and to their seed, a land that floweth with milk and honey. <sup>10</sup> For the land, whither thou goest in to possess it, *is* not as the land of Egypt, from whence ye came out, where thou didst sow thy seed, and water *it* with thy foot, as a garden of herbs: <sup>11</sup> But the land, whither ye go to possess it, *is* a land of hills and valleys, *and* drinketh water of the rain of heaven: <sup>12</sup> A land which the LORD thy God careth for: the eyes of the LORD thy God *are* always upon it, from the beginning of the year even to the end of the year. <sup>13</sup> And it shall come to pass, if ye shall hearken diligently to my commandments which I command you this day, to love the LORD your God, and to serve him with all your heart and with all your soul, <sup>14</sup> That I will give *you* the rain of your land in its due season, the former rain and the latter rain, that thou mayest gather in thy corn, and thy

wine and thy oil. <sup>15</sup> And I will give grass in thy fields for thy cattle, that thou mayest eat and be full. <sup>16</sup> Take heed to yourselves, that your heart be not deceived, and ye turn aside, and serve other gods, and worship them; <sup>17</sup> And *then* the LORD'S wrath shall be kindled against you, and he shall shut up the heaven, that there shall be no rain, and the land shall not yield her fruit; and *lest* ye perish quickly from off the good land which the LORD giveth you. <sup>18</sup> Therefore shall ye lay up these my words in your heart and in your soul, and bind them for a sign upon your hand, that they may be as frontlets between your eyes. <sup>19</sup> And ye shall teach them to your children, speaking of them when thou sittest in thy house, and when thou walkest by the way, when thou liest down, and when thou risest up. <sup>20</sup> And thou shalt write them upon the door posts of thy house, and upon thy gates: <sup>21</sup> That your days may be multiplied, and the days of your children, in the land which the LORD swore to your fathers to give to them, as the days of heaven upon the earth. <sup>22</sup> For if ye shall diligently keep all these commandments which I command you, to do them, to love the LORD your God, to walk in all his ways, and to cleave to him; <sup>23</sup> Then will the LORD drive out all these nations from before you, and ye shall possess greater nations and mightier than yourselves. <sup>24</sup> Every place on which the soles of your feet shall tread shall be yours: from the wilderness, and Lebanon, from the river, the river Euphrates, even to the

uttermost sea shall your limit be. <sup>25</sup> There shall no man be able to stand before you: *for* the LORD your God shall lay the fear of you, and the dread of you upon all the land that ye shall tread upon, as he hath said to you. <sup>26</sup> Behold, I set before you this day a blessing and a curse: <sup>27</sup> A blessing, if ye obey the commandments of the LORD your God which I command you this day; <sup>28</sup> And a curse, if ye will not obey the commandments of the LORD your God, but turn aside from the way which I command you this day, to go after other gods which ye have not known. <sup>29</sup> And it shall come to pass when the LORD thy God hath brought thee in to the land whither thou goest to possess it, that thou shalt put the blessing upon mount Gerizim, and the curse upon mount Ebal. <sup>30</sup> *Are* they not on the other side of Jordan, by the way where the sun goeth down in the land of the Canaanites, who dwell in the plain over against Gilgal, beside the plains of Moreh? <sup>31</sup> For ye shall pass over Jordan to go in to possess the land which the LORD your God giveth you, and ye shall possess it, and dwell in it. <sup>32</sup> And ye shall observe to do all the statutes and judgments which I set before you this day.

## 12

<sup>1</sup> These *are* the statutes and judgments which ye shall observe to do in the land which the LORD God of thy fathers giveth thee to possess it, all the days that ye live upon the earth. <sup>2</sup> Ye shall utterly destroy all the places in which the nations which ye shall possess served their gods, upon the high

mountains, and upon the hills, and under every green tree: <sup>3</sup> And ye shall overthrow their altars, and break their pillars, and burn their groves with fire; and ye shall hew down the graven images of their gods, and destroy the names of them out of that place. <sup>4</sup> Ye shall not do so to the LORD your God. <sup>5</sup> But the place which the LORD your God shall choose out of all your tribes to put his name there, *even* his habitation shall ye seek, and thither thou shalt come: <sup>6</sup> And thither ye shall bring your burnt-offerings, and your sacrifices, and your tithes, and heave-offerings of your hand, and your vows, and your free-will-offerings, and the firstlings of your herds, and of your flocks: <sup>7</sup> And there ye shall eat before the LORD your God, and ye shall rejoice in all that ye put your hand to, ye and your households, in which the LORD thy God hath blessed thee. <sup>8</sup> Ye shall not do after all *the things* that we do here this day, every man whatever *is* right in his own eyes. <sup>9</sup> For ye are not as yet come to the rest and to the inheritance which the LORD your God giveth you. <sup>10</sup> But when ye go over Jordan, and dwell in the land which the LORD your God giveth you to inherit, and *when* he giveth you rest from all your enemies on every side, so that ye dwell in safety: <sup>11</sup> Then there shall be a place which the LORD your God shall choose to cause his name to dwell there; thither shall ye bring all that I command you; your burnt-offerings, and your sacrifices, your tithes, and the heave-offering of your hand, and all your choice vows which ye vow to the LORD:

<sup>12</sup> And ye shall rejoice before the LORD your God, ye, and your sons, and your daughters, and your men-servants, and your maid-servants, and the Levite that *is* within your gates; forasmuch as he hath no part nor inheritance with you.

<sup>13</sup> Take heed to thyself that thou offer not thy burnt-offerings in every place that thou seest:

<sup>14</sup> But in the place which the LORD shall choose in one of thy tribes, there thou shalt offer thy burnt-offerings, and there thou shalt do all that I command thee.

<sup>15</sup> Notwithstanding, thou mayest kill and eat flesh in all thy gates, whatever thy soul desireth, according to the blessing of the LORD thy God which he hath given thee: the unclean and the clean may eat of it as of the roebuck, and as of the hart.

<sup>16</sup> Only ye shall not eat the blood; ye shall pour it upon the earth as water.

<sup>17</sup> Thou mayest not eat within thy gates the tithe of thy corn, or of thy wine, or of thy oil, or the firstlings of thy herds or of thy flock, nor any of thy vows which thou vowest, nor thy free-will-offerings, or heave-offering of thy hand:

<sup>18</sup> But thou must eat them before the LORD thy God in the place which the LORD thy God shall choose, thou, and thy son, and thy daughter, and thy man-servant, and thy maid-servant, and the Levite that *is* within thy gates: and thou shalt rejoice before the LORD thy God in all that thou puttest thine hands to.

<sup>19</sup> Take heed to thyself that thou forsake not the Levite as long as thou livest upon the earth.

<sup>20</sup> When the LORD thy God shall enlarge thy border, as he hath promised

thee, and thou shalt say, I will eat flesh, because thy soul longeth to eat flesh; thou mayest eat flesh, whatever thy soul desireth. <sup>21</sup> If the place which the LORD thy God hath chosen to put his name there, shall be too far from thee, then thou shalt kill of thy herd and of thy flock, which the LORD hath given thee, as I have commanded thee, and thou shalt eat in thy gates whatever thy soul desireth. <sup>22</sup> Even as the roebuck and the hart is eaten, so thou shalt eat them: the unclean and the clean shall eat *of* them alike. <sup>23</sup> Only be sure that thou eat not the blood: for the blood is the life; and thou mayest not eat the life with the flesh. <sup>24</sup> Thou shalt not eat it: thou shalt pour it upon the earth as water. <sup>25</sup> Thou shalt not eat it; that it may be well with thee, and with thy children after thee, when thou shalt do *that which is* right in the sight of the LORD. <sup>26</sup> Only thy holy things which thou hast, and thy vows, thou shalt take, and go to the place which the LORD shall choose: <sup>27</sup> And thou shalt offer thy burnt-offerings, the flesh and the blood, upon the altar of the LORD thy God: and the blood of thy sacrifices shall be poured out upon the altar of the LORD thy God, and thou shalt eat the flesh. <sup>28</sup> Observe and hear all these words which I command thee, that it may be well with thee, and with thy children after thee for ever, when thou doest *that which is* good and right in the sight of the LORD thy God. <sup>29</sup> When the LORD thy God shall cut off the nations from before thee, whither thou goest to possess them, and thou succeedest them, and dwellest in their land;

<sup>30</sup> Take heed to thyself that thou be not snared by following them, after that they are destroyed from before thee; and that thou inquire not after their gods, saying, How did these nations serve their gods? even so will I do likewise. <sup>31</sup> Thou shalt not do so to the LORD thy God; for every abomination to the LORD which he hateth have they done to their gods; for even their sons and their daughters they have burnt in the fire to their gods. <sup>32</sup> Whatever thing I command you, observe to do it: thou shalt not add to it, nor diminish from it.

## 13

<sup>1</sup> If there shall arise among you a prophet, or a dreamer of dreams, and give thee a sign or a wonder. <sup>2</sup> And the sign or the wonder shall come to pass, of which he spoke to thee, saying, Let us go after other gods, which thou hast not known, and let us serve them; <sup>3</sup> Thou shalt not hearken to the words of that prophet, or that dreamer of dreams: for the LORD your God proveth you, to know whether ye love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul. <sup>4</sup> Ye shall walk after the LORD your God, and fear him, and keep his commandments, and obey his voice, and ye shall serve him, and cleave to him. <sup>5</sup> And that prophet, or that dreamer of dreams, shall be put to death; because he hath spoken to turn *you* away from the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, and redeemed you from the house of bondage, to thrust thee out of the way which the LORD thy God commanded

thee to walk in. So shalt thou remove the evil from the midst of thee. <sup>6</sup> If thy brother, the son of thy mother, or thy son, or thy daughter, or the wife of thy bosom, or thy friend, who *is* as thy own soul, shall entice thee secretly, saying, Let us go and serve other gods, which thou hast not known, thou, nor thy fathers; <sup>7</sup> *Namely* , of the gods of the people who *are* around you, nigh to thee, or far off from thee, from *one* end of the earth even to the *other* end of the earth; <sup>8</sup> Thou shalt not consent to him, nor hearken to him; neither shall thy eye pity him, neither shalt thou spare, neither shalt thou conceal him: <sup>9</sup> But thou shalt surely kill him; thy hand shall be first upon him to put him to death, and afterwards the hand of all the people. <sup>10</sup> And thou shalt stone him with stones that he shall die; because he hath sought to thrust thee away from the LORD thy God, who brought thee out of the land of Egypt from the house of bondage. <sup>11</sup> And all Israel shall hear, and fear, and shall do no more any such wickedness as this is, among you. <sup>12</sup> If thou shalt hear, in one of thy cities, which the LORD thy God hath given thee to dwell there, saying, <sup>13</sup> *Certain* men, the children of Belial, have gone out from among you, and have withdrawn the inhabitants of their city, saying, Let us go and serve other gods, which ye have not known; <sup>14</sup> Then shalt thou inquire, and make search, and ask diligently; and behold, *if it is* truth, *and* the thing certain, *that* such abomination is wrought among you; <sup>15</sup> Thou shalt surely smite the inhabitants of that city with the edge of the

sword, destroying it utterly, and all that is in it, and its cattle, with the edge of the sword. <sup>16</sup> And thou shalt gather all the spoil of it into the midst of its street, and shalt burn with fire the city, and all the spoil of it every whit, for the LORD thy God: and it shall be a heap forever; it shalt not be built again. <sup>17</sup> And there shall cleave naught of the cursed thing to thy hand: that the LORD may turn from the fierceness of his anger, and show thee mercy, and have compassion upon thee, and multiply thee, as he hath sworn to thy fathers; <sup>18</sup> When thou shalt hearken to the voice of the LORD thy God, to keep all his commandments which I command thee this day, to do *that which is right* in the eyes of the LORD thy God.

## 14

<sup>1</sup> Ye *are* the children of the LORD your God: ye shall not cut yourselves, nor make any baldness between your eyes for the dead. <sup>2</sup> For thou *art* a holy people to the LORD thy God, and the LORD hath chosen thee to be a peculiar people to himself, above all the nations that *are* upon the earth. <sup>3</sup> Thou shalt not eat any abominable thing. <sup>4</sup> These *are* the beasts which ye shall eat: the ox, the sheep, and the goat, <sup>5</sup> The hart, and the roebuck, and the fallow-deer, and the wild-goat, and the pygarg, and the wild ox, and the chamois. <sup>6</sup> And every beast that parteth the hoof, and cleaveth the cleft into two claws, *and* cheweth the cud among the beasts, that ye shall eat. <sup>7</sup> Nevertheless, these ye shall not eat, of them that chew the cud, or of them that divide

the cloven hoof; the camel, and the hare, and the coney: for they chew the cud, but divide not the hoof; *therefore they are* unclean to you. <sup>8</sup> And the swine, because it divideth the hoof, yet cheweth not the cud, *is* unclean to you: ye shall not eat of their flesh, nor touch their dead carcass. <sup>9</sup> These ye shall eat, of all that *are* in the waters: all that have fins and scales shall ye eat: <sup>10</sup> And whatever hath not fins and scales ye may not eat; *it is* unclean to you. <sup>11</sup> *Of* all clean birds ye shall eat. <sup>12</sup> But these *are they* of which ye shall not eat: the eagle, and the ossifrage, and the ospray, <sup>13</sup> And the glede, and the kite, and the vultur after his kind, <sup>14</sup> And every raven after his kind, <sup>15</sup> And the owl, and the night-hawk, and the cuckow, and the hawk after his kind, <sup>16</sup> The little owl, and the great owl, and the swan, <sup>17</sup> And the pelican, and the gier-eagle, and the cormorant, <sup>18</sup> And the stork, and the heron after her kind, and the lapwing, and the bat. <sup>19</sup> And every creeping animal that flieth *is* unclean to you: they shall not be eaten. <sup>20</sup> *But of* all clean fowls ye may eat. <sup>21</sup> Ye shall not eat *of* any thing that dieth of itself: thou shalt give it to the stranger that *is* in thy gates, that he may eat it; or thou mayest sell it to an alien: for thou *art* a holy people to the LORD thy God. Thou shalt not seethe a kid in his mother's milk. <sup>22</sup> Thou shalt truly tithe all the increase of thy seed, that the field bringeth forth year by year. <sup>23</sup> And thou shalt eat before the LORD thy God, in the place which he shall choose to place his name there, the tithe of thy corn, of thy wine, and of thy oil,

and the firstlings of thy herds and of thy flocks; that thou mayest learn to fear the LORD thy God always. <sup>24</sup> And if the way is too long for thee, so that thou art not able to carry it; *or* if the place is too far from thee, which the LORD thy God shall choose to set his name there, when the LORD thy God hath blessed thee: <sup>25</sup> Then shalt thou turn *it* into money, and bind up the money in thy hand, and shalt go to the place which the LORD thy God shall choose: <sup>26</sup> And thou shalt bestow that money for whatever thy soul desireth, for oxen, or for sheep, or for wine, or for strong drink, or for whatever thy soul desireth: and thou shalt eat there before the LORD thy God, and thou shalt rejoice, thou, and thy household. <sup>27</sup> And the Levite that *is* within thy gates, thou shalt not forsake him; for he hath no part nor inheritance with thee. <sup>28</sup> At the end of three years thou shalt bring forth all the tithe of thy increase the same year, and shalt lay *it* up within thy gates: <sup>29</sup> And the Levite, (because he hath no part nor inheritance with thee) and the stranger, and the fatherless, and the widow, who *are* within thy gates, shall come, and shall eat and be satisfied; that the LORD thy God may bless thee in all the work of thy hand which thou doest.

## 15

<sup>1</sup> At the end of *every* seven years thou shalt make a release. <sup>2</sup> And this *is* the manner of the release: Every creditor that lendeth *ought* to his neighbor shall release *it* ; he shall not exact *it* of his neighbor, or of his brother; because it

is called the LORD'S release. <sup>3</sup> Of a foreigner thou mayest exact *it again* : but *that* which is thine with thy brother thy hand shall release: <sup>4</sup> Save when there shall be no poor among you; for the LORD shall greatly bless thee in the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee *for* an inheritance to possess it: <sup>5</sup> Only if thou shalt carefully hearken to the voice of the LORD thy God, to observe to do all these commandments which I command thee this day. <sup>6</sup> For the LORD thy God shall bless thee, as he promised thee: and thou shalt lend to many nations, but thou shalt not borrow; and thou shalt reign over many nations, but they shall not reign over thee. <sup>7</sup> If there shall be among you a poor man of one of thy brethren within any of thy gates in thy land which the LORD the God giveth thee, thou shalt not harden thy heart, nor shut thy hand from thy poor brother: <sup>8</sup> But thou shalt open thy hand wide to him, and shalt surely lend him sufficient for his need, *in that* which he wanteth. <sup>9</sup> Beware that there be not a thought in thy wicked heart, saying, The seventh year, the year of release, is at hand; and thy eye shall be evil against thy poor brother, and thou shalt give him naught; and he shall cry to the LORD against thee, and it shall be sin to thee. <sup>10</sup> Thou shalt surely give him, and thy heart shall not be grieved when thou givest to him: because that for this thing the LORD thy God shall bless thee in all thy works, and in all that thou putteth thy hand to. <sup>11</sup> For the poor shall never cease from the land: therefore I command thee, saying, Thou shalt open thy hand

wide to thy brother, to thy poor, and to thy needy, in thy land. <sup>12</sup> And if thy brother, a Hebrew man, or a Hebrew woman, shall be sold to thee, and serve thee six years; then in the seventh year thou shalt let him go free from thee. <sup>13</sup> And when thou sendest him out free from thee, thou shalt not let him depart empty: <sup>14</sup> Thou shalt furnish him liberally out of thy flock, and out of thy floor, and out of thy wine-press: *of that* with which the LORD thy God hath blessed thee thou shalt give to him. <sup>15</sup> And thou shalt remember that thou wast a bond-man in the land of Egypt, and the LORD thy God redeemed thee: therefore I command thee this thing this day. <sup>16</sup> And it shall be, if he shall say to thee, I will not leave thee; because he loveth thee and thy house, because he is well with thee; <sup>17</sup> Then thou shalt take an awl, and thrust *it* through his ear into the door, and he shall be thy servant for ever. And also to thy maid-servant thou shalt do likewise. <sup>18</sup> It shall not seem hard to thee, when thou sendest him away free from thee; for he hath been of double the worth of a hired servant *to thee*, in serving thee six years: and the LORD thy God shall bless thee in all that thou doest. <sup>19</sup> All the firstling males that come of thy herd and of thy flock thou shalt sanctify to the LORD thy God: thou shalt do no work with the firstling of thy bullock, nor shear the firstling of thy sheep. <sup>20</sup> Thou shalt eat *it* before the LORD thy God year by year in the place which the LORD shall choose, thou and thy household. <sup>21</sup> And if there is *any* blemish in it, *as if it is* lame, or blind, *or hath* any ill blemish, thou

shalt not sacrifice it to the LORD thy God. <sup>22</sup> Thou shalt eat it within thy gates: the unclean and the clean *person shall eat it* alike, as the roebuck, and as the hart. <sup>23</sup> Only thou shalt not eat its blood; thou shalt pour it upon the ground as water.

## 16

<sup>1</sup> Observe the month Abib, and keep the passover to the LORD thy God: for in the month of Abib the LORD thy God brought thee forth from Egypt by night. <sup>2</sup> Thou shalt therefore sacrifice the passover to the LORD thy God, of the flock and the herd, in the place which the LORD shall choose to place his name there. <sup>3</sup> Thou shalt eat no leavened bread with it; seven days shalt thou eat unleavened bread with it, *even* the bread of affliction; for thou camest forth from the land of Egypt in haste: that thou mayest remember the day when thou camest forth from the land of Egypt, all the days of thy life. <sup>4</sup> And there shall be no leavened bread seen with thee in all thy borders seven days; neither shall there *any thing* of the flesh, which thou didst sacrifice the first day at evening, remain all night until the morning. <sup>5</sup> Thou mayest not sacrifice the passover within any of thy gates, which the LORD thy God giveth thee. <sup>6</sup> But at the place which the LORD thy God shall choose to place his name in, there thou shalt sacrifice the passover at evening, at the setting of the sun, at the time of thy departure from Egypt. <sup>7</sup> And thou shalt roast and eat *it* in the place which the LORD thy God shall choose: and thou shalt turn in

the morning, and go to thy tents. <sup>8</sup> Six days thou shalt eat unleavened bread: and on the seventh day *shall be* a solemn assembly to the LORD thy God: *in it* thou shalt do no work. <sup>9</sup> Seven weeks shalt thou number to thee: begin to number the seven weeks from *the time when* thou beginnest to *put* the sickle to the corn. <sup>10</sup> And thou shalt keep the feast of weeks to the LORD thy God with a tribute of a free-will-offering of thy hand, which thou shalt give to *the LORD thy God* , according as the LORD thy God hath blessed thee: <sup>11</sup> And thou shalt rejoice before the LORD thy God, thou, and thy son, and thy daughter, and thy man-servant, and thy maid-servant, and the Levite that *is* within thy gates, and the stranger, and the fatherless, and the widow, that *are* among you, in the place which the LORD thy God hath chosen to place his name there. <sup>12</sup> And thou shalt remember that thou wast a bond-man in Egypt: and thou shalt observe and do these statutes. <sup>13</sup> Thou shalt observe the feast of tabernacles seven days, after that thou hast gathered in thy corn, and thy wine. <sup>14</sup> And thou shalt rejoice in thy feast, thou, and thy son, and thy daughter, and thy man-servant, and thy maid-servant, and the Levite, the stranger, and the fatherless, and the widow, that *are* within thy gates: <sup>15</sup> Seven days shalt thou keep a solemn feast to the LORD thy God in the place which the LORD shall choose: because the LORD thy God shall bless thee in all thy increase, and in all the works of thy hands, therefore thou shalt surely rejoice. <sup>16</sup> Three times in a year shall

all thy males appear before the LORD thy God in the place which he shall choose; in the feast of unleavened bread, and in the feast of weeks, and in the feast of tabernacles: and they shall not appear before the LORD empty: <sup>17</sup> Every man *shall give* as he is able, according to the blessing of the LORD thy God which he hath given thee. <sup>18</sup> Judges and officers shalt thou make thee in all thy gates, which the LORD thy God giveth thee, throughout thy tribes: and they shall judge the people with just judgment. <sup>19</sup> Thou shalt not wrest judgment; thou shalt not respect persons, neither take a gift; for a gift doth blind the eyes of the wise, and pervert the words of the righteous. <sup>20</sup> That which is altogether just shalt thou follow, that thou mayest live, and inherit the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee. <sup>21</sup> Thou shalt not plant thee a grove of any trees near to the altar of the LORD thy God, which thou shalt make for thee. <sup>22</sup> Neither shalt thou set thee up *any* image; which the LORD thy God hateth.

## 17

<sup>1</sup> Thou shalt not sacrifice to the LORD thy God *any* bullock, or sheep, in which is blemish, *or* any evil favoredness: for that is an abomination to the LORD thy God. <sup>2</sup> If there shall be found among you, within any of thy gates which the LORD thy God giveth thee, man or woman that hath wrought wickedness in the sight of of the LORD thy God, in transgressing his covenant, <sup>3</sup> And hath gone and served other gods, and worshiped them, either the sun, or moon, or

any of the host of heaven, which I have not commanded; <sup>4</sup> And it shall be told thee, and thou hast heard *of it* , and inquired diligently, and behold, *it is true, and* the thing certain, *that* such abomination is wrought in Israel: <sup>5</sup> Then shalt thou bring forth to thy gates that man or that woman, who have committed that wicked thing, *even* that man or that woman, and shalt stone them with stones, till they die. <sup>6</sup> At the mouth of two witnesses, or three witnesses, shall he that is worthy of death be put to death; *but* at the mouth of one witness he shall not be put to death. <sup>7</sup> The hands of the witnesses shall be first upon him to put him to death, and afterward the hands of all the people. So thou shalt remove the evil from among you. <sup>8</sup> If there shall arise a matter too hard for thee in judgment, between blood and blood, between plea and plea, and between stroke and stroke, *being* matters of controversy within thy gates: then shalt thou arise, and go up to the place which the LORD thy God shall choose; <sup>9</sup> And thou shalt come to the priests the Levites, and to the judge that shall be in those days, and inquire; and they shall show thee the sentence of judgment: <sup>10</sup> And thou shalt do according to the sentence, which they of that place which the LORD shall choose shall show thee; and thou shalt observe to do according to all that they inform thee: <sup>11</sup> According to the sentence of the law which they shall teach thee, and according to the judgment which they shall tell thee, thou shalt do: thou shalt not decline from the sentence which they shall show thee,

to the right hand, nor to the left. <sup>12</sup> And the man that will do presumptuously, and will not hearken to the priest that standeth to minister there before the LORD thy God, or to the judge, even that man shall die: and thou shalt remove the evil from Israel. <sup>13</sup> And all the people shall hear, and fear, and do no more presumptuously. <sup>14</sup> When thou art come into the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee, and shalt possess it, and shalt dwell in it, and shalt say, I will set a king over me, like as all the nations that *are* about me; <sup>15</sup> Thou shalt in any wise set *him* king over thee whom the LORD thy God shall choose: *one* from among thy brethren shalt thou set king over thee: thou mayest not set a stranger over thee, who *is* not thy brother. <sup>16</sup> But he shall not multiply horses to himself, nor cause the people to return to Egypt, to the end that he should multiply horses: forasmuch as the LORD hath said to you, ye shall henceforth return no more that way. <sup>17</sup> Neither shall he multiply wives to himself, that his heart may turn not away: neither shall he greatly accumulate to himself silver and gold. <sup>18</sup> And it shall be when he sitteth upon the throne of his kingdom, that he shall write him a copy of this law in a book out of *that which is* before the priests the Levites. <sup>19</sup> And it shall be with him, and he shall read in it all the days of his life: that he may learn to fear the LORD his God, to keep all the words of this law and these statutes, to do them: <sup>20</sup> That his heart may not be lifted above his brethren, and that he may not turn aside from the commandment

*to the right hand or to the left: to the end that he may prolong his days in his kingdom, he, and his children, in the midst of Israel.*

## 18

<sup>1</sup> The priests the Levites, *and* all the tribe of Levi, shall have no part nor inheritance with Israel: they shall eat the offerings of the LORD made by fire, and his inheritance. <sup>2</sup> Therefore shall they have no inheritance among their brethren: the LORD *is* their inheritance, as he hath said to them. <sup>3</sup> And this shall be the priest's due from the people, from them that offer a sacrifice, whether ox or sheep; and they shall give to the priest the shoulder, and the two cheeks, and the maw. <sup>4</sup> The first-fruit *also* of thy corn, of thy wine, and of thy oil, and the first of the fleece of thy sheep, shalt thou give him. <sup>5</sup> For the LORD thy God hath chosen him out of all thy tribes, to stand to minister in the name of the LORD, him and his sons for ever. <sup>6</sup> And if a Levite shall come from any of thy gates out of all Israel, where he sojourned, and come with all the desire of his mind to the place which the LORD shall choose; <sup>7</sup> Then he shall minister in the name of the LORD his God, as all his brethren the Levites *do*, who stand there before the LORD. <sup>8</sup> They shall have like portions to eat, beside that which cometh of the sale of his patrimony. <sup>9</sup> When thou art come into the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee, thou shalt not learn to do after the abominations of those nations. <sup>10</sup> There shall not be found among you

*any one* that maketh his son or his daughter to pass through the fire, *or* that useth divination, *or* an observer of times, or an enchanter, or a witch, <sup>11</sup> Or a charmer, or a consulter with familiar spirits, or a wizard, or a necromancer. <sup>12</sup> For all that do these things *are* an abomination to the LORD: and because of these abominations the LORD thy God doth drive them out from before thee. <sup>13</sup> Thou shalt be perfect with the LORD thy God. <sup>14</sup> For these nations, which thou shalt possess, hearkened to observers of times, and to diviners: but as for thee, the LORD thy God hath not suffered thee so *to do* . <sup>15</sup> The LORD thy God will raise up to thee a Prophet from the midst of thee, of thy brethren, like to me; to him ye shall hearken. <sup>16</sup> According to all that thou desiredst of the LORD thy God in Horeb in the day of the assembly, saying, Let me not hear again the voice of the LORD my God, neither let me see this great fire any more, that I may not die. <sup>17</sup> And the LORD said to me, They have well *spoken of that* which they have spoken. <sup>18</sup> I will raise up to them a prophet from among their brethren, like thee, and will put my words in his mouth; and he shall speak to them all that I shall command him. <sup>19</sup> And it shall come to pass, *that* whoever will not hearken to my words which he shall speak in my name, I will require *it* of him. <sup>20</sup> But the prophet, who shall presume to speak a word in my name, which I have not commanded him to speak, or that shall speak in the name of other gods, even that prophet shall die. <sup>21</sup> And if thou shalt say in thy heart, How shall we know the

word which the LORD hath not spoken? <sup>22</sup> When a prophet speaketh in the name of the LORD, if the thing doth not follow, nor come to pass, that *is* the thing which the LORD hath not spoken, *but* the prophet hath spoken it presumptuously: thou shalt not be afraid of him.

## 19

<sup>1</sup> When the LORD thy God hath cut off the nations, whose land the LORD thy God giveth thee, and thou succeedest them, and dwellest in their cities, and in their houses; <sup>2</sup> Thou shalt separate three cities for thee in the midst of thy land which the LORD thy God giveth thee to possess it. <sup>3</sup> Thou shalt prepare thee a way, and divide the limits of thy land which the LORD thy God giveth thee to inherit, into three parts, that every slayer may flee thither. <sup>4</sup> And this *is* the case of the slayer, who shall flee thither, that he may live: Whoever killeth his neighbor ignorantly, whom he hated not in time past; <sup>5</sup> As when a man goeth into the wood with his neighbor to hew wood, and his hand maketh a stroke with the ax to cut down the tree, and the head slippeth from the helve, and falleth upon his neighbor, that he dieth: he shall flee to one of these cities, and live: <sup>6</sup> Lest the avenger of blood shall pursue the slayer, while his heart is hot, and overtake him, because the way is long, and slay him; whereas he *was* not worthy of death, inasmuch as he hated him not in time past. <sup>7</sup> Wherefore I command thee, saying, Thou shalt separate three cities for thee. <sup>8</sup> And if the

LORD thy God shall enlarge thy limits, as he hath sworn to thy fathers, and give thee all the land which he promised to give to thy fathers; <sup>9</sup> If thou shalt keep all these commandments to do them, which I command thee this day, to love the LORD thy God, and to walk ever in his ways; then shalt thou add three cities more for thee, besides these three: <sup>10</sup> That innocent blood may not be shed in thy land, which the LORD thy God giveth thee *for* an inheritance, and *so* blood be upon thee. <sup>11</sup> But if any man shall hate his neighbor, and lie in wait for him, and rise up against him, and smite him mortally, that he dieth, and he shall flee into one of these cities: <sup>12</sup> Then the elders of his city shall send and bring him thence, and deliver him into the hand of the avenger of blood, that he may die. <sup>13</sup> Thy eye shall not pity him, but thou shall remove *the guilt of* innocent blood from Israel, that it may be well with thee. <sup>14</sup> Thou shalt not remove thy neighbor's landmark, which they of old time have set in thy inheritance, which thou shalt inherit in the land that the LORD thy God giveth thee to possess it. <sup>15</sup> One witness shall not rise up against a man for any iniquity, or for any sin, in any sin that he sinneth; at the mouth of two witnesses, or at the mouth of three witnesses, shall the matter be established. <sup>16</sup> If a false witness shall rise up against any man to testify against him *that which is* wrong; <sup>17</sup> Then both the men between whom the controversy *is* shall stand before the LORD, before the priests, and the judges, who shall be in those days; <sup>18</sup> And the judges shall make diligent inquisition: and

behold, *if* the witness *is* a false witness, *and* hath testified falsely against his brother; <sup>19</sup> Then shall ye do to him, as he had thought to do to his brother: so shalt thou remove the evil from among you. <sup>20</sup> And those who remain shall hear, and fear, and shall henceforth commit no more any such evil among you. <sup>21</sup> And thy eye shall not pity; *but* life *shall go* for life, eye for eye, tooth for tooth, hand for hand, foot for foot.

## 20

<sup>1</sup> When thou goest out to battle against thy enemies, and seest horses, and chariots, *and* a people more than thou, be not afraid of them: for the LORD thy God *is* with thee, who brought thee out of the land of Egypt. <sup>2</sup> And it shall be when ye are come nigh to the battle, that the priest shall approach and speak to the people, <sup>3</sup> And shall say to them, Hear, O Israel, ye approach this day to battle against your enemies: let not your hearts faint, fear not, and do not tremble, neither be ye terrified because of them; <sup>4</sup> For the LORD your God *is* he that goeth with you, to fight for you against your enemies, to save you. <sup>5</sup> And the officers shall speak to the people, saying, What man *is there* that hath built a new house, and hath not dedicated it? let him go and return to his house, lest he should die in the battle, and another man should dedicate it. <sup>6</sup> And what man *is he* that hath planted a vineyard, and hath not *yet* eaten of it? let him *also* go and return to his house, lest he should die in the battle, and another man should eat of it. <sup>7</sup> And

what man *is there* that hath betrothed a wife, and hath not taken her? let him go and return to his house, lest he should die in battle, and another man should take her. <sup>8</sup> And the officers shall speak further to the people, and they shall say, What man *is there that is* fearful and faint-hearted? let him go and return to his house, lest his brethren's heart should faint as well as his heart. <sup>9</sup> And it shall be, when the officers have made an end of speaking to the people, that they shall make captains of the armies to lead the people. <sup>10</sup> When thou comest nigh to a city to fight against it, then proclaim peace to it. <sup>11</sup> And it shall be, if it shall make thee answer of peace, and open to thee, then it shall be, *that* all the people *that are* found therein, shall be tributaries to thee, and they shall serve thee. <sup>12</sup> And if it will make no peace with thee, but will make war against thee, then thou shalt besiege it: <sup>13</sup> And when the LORD thy God hath delivered it into thy hands, thou shalt smite every male of it with the edge of the sword: <sup>14</sup> But the women, and the little ones, and the cattle, and all that is in the city, *even* all the spoil of it, shalt thou take to thyself: and thou shalt eat the spoil of thy enemies, which the LORD thy God hath given thee. <sup>15</sup> Thus shalt thou do to all the cities *which are* very distant from thee, which *are* not of the cities of these nations. <sup>16</sup> But of the cities of these people which the LORD thy God doth give thee *for* an inheritance, thou shalt save alive nothing that breatheth: <sup>17</sup> But thou shalt utterly destroy them, *namely* , the Hittites, and the Amorites,

the Canaanites, and the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites, as the LORD thy God hath commanded thee: <sup>18</sup> That they may not teach you to do after all their abominations which they have done to their gods; so would ye sin against the LORD your God. <sup>19</sup> When thou shalt besiege a city a long time in making war against it to take it, thou shalt not destroy the trees of it by forcing an ax against them; for thou mayest eat of them: and thou shalt not cut them down (for the tree of the field *is* man's *life* ) to employ *them* in the siege: <sup>20</sup> Only the trees which thou knowest that they *are* not trees for food, thou shalt destroy and cut them down; and thou shalt build bulwarks against the city that maketh war with thee, until it shall be subdued.

## 21

<sup>1</sup> If *one* shall be found slain in the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee to possess it, lying in the field, *and* it be not known who hath slain him: <sup>2</sup> Then thy elders and thy judges shall come forth, and they shall measure to the cities which *are* around him that is slain: <sup>3</sup> And it shall be *that* the city *which is* next to the slain man, even the elders of that city shall take a heifer which hath not been wrought with, *and* which hath not drawn in the yoke; <sup>4</sup> And the elders of that city shall bring down the heifer to a rough valley, which is neither tilled nor sown, and shall strike off the heifer's neck there in the valley; <sup>5</sup> And the priests the sons of Levi shall come near (for them the LORD thy God hath chosen to minister to him, and to bless in the name of the LORD)

and by their word shall every controversy and every stroke be *tried* ; <sup>6</sup> And all the elders of that city *that are* next to the slain *man* , shall wash their hands over the heifer that is beheaded in the valley: <sup>7</sup> And they shall answer and say, Our hands have not shed this blood, neither have our eyes seen *it* . <sup>8</sup> Be merciful, O LORD, to thy people Israel, whom thou hast redeemed, and lay not innocent blood to the charge of thy people Israel. And the blood shall be forgiven them. <sup>9</sup> So shalt thou remove the *guilt of* innocent blood from among you, when thou shalt do *that which is* right in the sight of the LORD. <sup>10</sup> When thou goest forth to war against thy enemies, and the LORD thy God hath delivered them into thy hands, and thou hast taken them captive, <sup>11</sup> And *thou* seest among the captives a beautiful woman, and hast a desire to her, that thou wouldest have her for thy wife: <sup>12</sup> Then thou shalt bring her home to thy house, and she shall shave her head, and pare her nails: <sup>13</sup> And she shall put off from her the raiment of her captivity, and shall remain in thy house, and bewail her father and her mother a full month: and after that, thou shalt go in to her, and be her husband, and she shall be thy wife. <sup>14</sup> And it shall be, if thou shalt have no delight in her, then thou shalt let her go whither she will; but thou shalt not sell her at all for money; thou shalt not make merchandise of her, because thou hast humbled her. <sup>15</sup> If a man shall have two wives, one beloved, and another hated, and they have borne him children, *both* the beloved and the hated; and *if* the first-born

son be hers that was hated: <sup>16</sup> Then it shall be, when he maketh his sons to inherit *that* which he hath, *that* he may not prefer the son of the beloved first-born, before the son of the hated, *which is indeed* the first-born: <sup>17</sup> But he shall acknowledge the son of the hated *for* the first-born, by giving him a double portion of all that he hath: for he *is* the beginning of his strength; the right of the first-born *is* his. <sup>18</sup> If a man shall have a stubborn and rebellious son, who will not obey the voice of his father, or the voice of his mother, and *who* , when they have chastened him, will not hearken to them: <sup>19</sup> Then shall his father and his mother lay hold on him, and bring him out to the elders of his city, and to the gate of his place; <sup>20</sup> And they shall say to the elders of his city, This our son *is* stubborn and rebellious, he will not obey our voice; *he is* a glutton, and a drunkard. <sup>21</sup> And all the men of his city shall stone him with stones, that he may die: so shalt thou remove evil from among you, and all Israel shall hear, and fear. <sup>22</sup> And if a man shall have committed a sin worthy of death, and he must be put to death, and thou shalt hang him on a tree: <sup>23</sup> His body shall not remain all night upon the tree, but thou shalt in any wise bury him that day; (for he that is hanged *is* accursed of God;) that thy land may not be defiled, which the LORD thy God giveth thee *for* an inheritance.

## 22

<sup>1</sup> Thou shalt not see thy brother's ox or his sheep go astray, and hide thyself from them:

thou shalt in any case bring them again to thy brother. <sup>2</sup> And if thy brother shall not *be* nigh to thee, or if thou shalt not know him, then thou shalt bring it to thy own house, and it shall be with thee until thy brother shall seek after it, and thou shalt restore it to him again. <sup>3</sup> In like manner shalt thou do with his ass; and so shalt thou do with his raiment; and with all lost things of thy brother's, which he hath lost, and thou hast found, shalt thou do likewise: thou mayest not hide thyself. <sup>4</sup> Thou shalt not see thy brother's ass or his ox fall down by the way, and hide thyself from them: thou shalt surely help him to lift *them* up again. <sup>5</sup> A woman shall not wear that which pertaineth to a man, neither shall a man put on a woman's garment: for all that do so *are* abomination to the LORD thy God. <sup>6</sup> If a bird's nest shall chance to be before thee in the way on any tree, or on the ground, *whether with* young ones, or eggs, and the dam sitting upon the young, or upon the eggs, thou shalt not take the dam with the young: <sup>7</sup> *But* thou shalt in any wise let the dam go, and take the young to thee; that it may be well with thee, and *that* thou mayest prolong *thy* days. <sup>8</sup> When thou buildest a new house, then thou shalt make a battlement for thy roof, that thou mayest not bring blood upon thy house, if any man shall fall from thence. <sup>9</sup> Thou shalt not sow thy vineyard with divers seeds: lest the fruit of thy seed which thou hast sown, and the fruit of thy vineyard, should be defiled. <sup>10</sup> Thou shalt not plow with an ox and an ass together. <sup>11</sup> Thou shalt not

wear a garment of divers sorts, *as* of woollen and linen together. <sup>12</sup> Thou shalt make thee fringes upon the four quarters of thy vesture, with which thou coverest *thyself*. <sup>13</sup> If any man shall take a wife, and go in to her, and hate her, <sup>14</sup> And give occasions of speech against her, and bring an evil name upon her, and say, I took this woman, and when I came to her, I found her not a maid: <sup>15</sup> Then shall the father of the damsel, and her mother, take and bring forth *the tokens of* the damsel's virginity to the elders of the city in the gate: <sup>16</sup> And the damsel's father shall say to the elders, I gave my daughter to this man for a wife, and he hateth her, <sup>17</sup> And lo, he hath given occasions of speech *against her*, saying, I found not thy daughter a maid; and yet these *are the tokens of* my daughter's virginity. And they shall spread the cloth before the elders of the city. <sup>18</sup> And the elders of that city shall take that man and chastise him; <sup>19</sup> And they shall amerce him in a hundred *shekels* of silver, and give *them* to the father of the damsel, because he hath brought an evil name upon a virgin of Israel: and she shall be his wife; he may not put her away all his days. <sup>20</sup> But if this thing shall be true, *and the tokens of* virginity be not found for the damsel: <sup>21</sup> Then they shall bring out the damsel to the door of her father's house, and the men of her city shall stone her with stones that she may die: because she hath wrought folly in Israel, to be guilty of lewdness in her father's house: so shalt thou remove evil from among you. <sup>22</sup> If a man shall be found lying

with a woman married to a husband, then they shall both of them die, *both* the man that lay with the woman, and the woman: so shalt thou remove evil from Israel. <sup>23</sup> If a damsel *that is* a virgin shall be betrothed to a husband, and a man shall find her in the city, and lie with her; <sup>24</sup> Then ye shall bring them both out to the gate of that city, and ye shall stone them with stones that they may die; the damsel, because she cried not, *being* in the city; and the man, because he hath humbled his neighbor's wife: so thou shalt remove evil from among you. <sup>25</sup> But if a man shall find a betrothed damsel in the field, and the man shall force her, and lie with her; then the man only that lay with her shall die: <sup>26</sup> But to the damsel thou shalt do nothing; *there is* in the damsel no sin *worthy* of death: for as when a man riseth against his neighbor, and slayeth him, even so *is* this matter: <sup>27</sup> For he found her in the field, *and* the betrothed damsel cried, and *there was* none to save her. <sup>28</sup> If a man shall find a damsel *that is* a virgin, who is not betrothed, and lay hold on her, and lie with her, and they be found; <sup>29</sup> Then the man that lay with her shall give to the damsel's father fifty *shekels* of silver, and she shall be his wife; because he hath humbled her, he may not put her away all his days. <sup>30</sup> A man shall not take his father's wife, nor discover his father's skirt.

## 23

<sup>1</sup> He that is wounded or mutilated in his secrets, shall not enter into the congregation of the LORD. <sup>2</sup> A bastard shall not enter into the

congregation of the LORD; even to his tenth generation shall he not enter into the congregation of the LORD. <sup>3</sup> An Ammonite or Moabite shall not enter into the congregation of the LORD; even to their tenth generation shall they not enter into the congregation of the LORD for ever: <sup>4</sup> Because they met you not with bread and with water in the way, when ye came forth from Egypt; and because they hired against thee Balaam the son of Beor of Pethor of Mesopotamia, to curse thee. <sup>5</sup> Nevertheless, the LORD thy God would not hearken to Balaam: but the LORD thy God turned the curse into a blessing to thee, because the LORD thy God loved thee. <sup>6</sup> Thou shalt not seek their peace, nor their prosperity all thy days for ever. <sup>7</sup> Thou shalt not abhor an Edomite, for he is thy brother: thou shalt not abhor an Egyptian, because thou wast a stranger in his land. <sup>8</sup> The children that are begotten by them shall enter into the congregation of the LORD in their third generation. <sup>9</sup> When the host goeth forth against thy enemies, then keep thee from every wicked thing. <sup>10</sup> If there shall be among you any man that is not clean by reason of uncleanness that chanceth to him by night, then shall he go abroad out of the camp, he shall not come within the camp: <sup>11</sup> But it shall be, when evening cometh on, he shall wash *himself* with water: and when the sun is down, he shall come into the camp *again* . <sup>12</sup> Thou shalt have a place also without the camp, whither thou shalt go forth abroad: <sup>13</sup> And thou shalt have a paddle upon thy weapon: and it shall be when thou wilt ease thyself abroad,

thou shalt dig with it, and shalt turn back, and cover that which cometh from thee: <sup>14</sup> For the LORD thy God walketh in the midst of thy camp, to deliver thee, and to give up thy enemies before thee; therefore shall thy camp be holy: that he may see no unclean thing in thee, and turn away from thee. <sup>15</sup> Thou shalt not deliver to his master the servant who hath escaped from his master to thee: <sup>16</sup> He shall dwell with thee, *even* among you in that place which he shall choose in one of thy gates where it pleaseth him best: thou shalt not oppress him. <sup>17</sup> There shall be no harlot of the daughters of Israel, nor a sodomite of the sons of Israel. <sup>18</sup> Thou shalt not bring the hire of a harlot, or the price of a dog into the house of the LORD thy God for any vow: for *even* both these *are* abomination to the LORD thy God. <sup>19</sup> Thou shalt not lend upon interest to thy brother; interest of money, interest of victuals, interest of any thing that is lent upon interest: <sup>20</sup> To a stranger thou mayest lend upon interest; but to thy brother thou shalt not lend upon interest; that the LORD thy God may bless thee in all that thou settest thy hand to in the land whither thou goest to possess it. <sup>21</sup> When thou shalt vow a vow to the LORD thy God, thou shalt not defer to pay it: for the LORD thy God will surely require it of thee; and it would be sin in thee. <sup>22</sup> But if thou shalt forbear to vow, it shall be no sin in thee. <sup>23</sup> That which is uttered by thy lips thou shalt keep and perform; *even* a free-will-offering, according as thou hast vowed to the LORD thy God, which thou hast promised with thy mouth. <sup>24</sup> When

thou comest into thy neighbor's vineyard, then thou mayest satisfy thy appetite with grapes at thy own pleasure; but thou shalt not put *any* in thy vessel. <sup>25</sup> When thou comest into the standing-corn of thy neighbor, then thou mayest pluck the ears with thy hand: but thou shalt not move a sickle to thy neighbor's standing-corn.

## 24

<sup>1</sup> When a man hath taken a wife, and married her, and it shall come to pass that she findeth no favor in his eyes, because he hath found some uncleanness in her: then let him write her a bill of divorcement, and give *it* in her hand, and send her out of his house. <sup>2</sup> And when she hath departed from his house, she may go and be another man's *wife* . <sup>3</sup> And *if* the latter husband shall hate her, and write her a bill of divorcement, and give *it* in her hand, and send her out of his house; or if the latter husband shall die, who took her *to be* his wife; <sup>4</sup> Her former husband who sent her away, may not take her again to be his wife, after that she is defiled; for that *is* abomination before the LORD: and thou shalt not cause the land to sin, which the LORD thy God giveth thee *for* an inheritance. <sup>5</sup> When a man hath newly taken a wife, he shall not go out to war, neither shall he be charged with any business: *but* he shall be free at home one year, and shall cheer his wife which he hath taken. <sup>6</sup> No man shall take the nether or the upper millstone for a pledge: for he taketh *a man's* life for a pledge. <sup>7</sup> If a man shall be found stealing any of his brethren of the children of Israel, and

shall make merchandise of him, or sell him; then that thief shall die; and thou shalt remove evil from among you. <sup>8</sup> Take heed in the plague of leprosy, that thou observe diligently, and do according to all that the priests the Levites shall teach you: as I commanded them, so ye shall observe to do. <sup>9</sup> Remember what the LORD thy God did to Miriam by the way, after that ye come forth from Egypt. <sup>10</sup> When thou dost lend thy brother any thing, thou shalt not go into his house to take his pledge: <sup>11</sup> Thou shalt stand abroad, and the man to whom thou dost lend shall bring out the pledge abroad to thee: <sup>12</sup> And if the man *is* poor, thou shalt not sleep with his pledge: <sup>13</sup> In any case thou shalt deliver to him the pledge again when the sun goeth down, that he may sleep in his own raiment, and bless thee; and it shall be righteousness to thee before the LORD thy God. <sup>14</sup> Thou shalt not oppress a hired servant *that is* poor and needy, *whether he is* of thy brethren, or of thy strangers that *are* in thy land within thy gates: <sup>15</sup> At his day thou shalt give *him* his hire, neither shall the sun go down upon it, for he *is* poor, and setteth his heart upon it: lest he should cry against thee to the LORD, and it be sin to thee. <sup>16</sup> The fathers shall not be put to death for the children, neither shall the children be put to death for the fathers: every man shall be put to death for his own sin. <sup>17</sup> Thou shalt not pervert the judgment of the stranger, *nor* of the fatherless, nor take a widow's raiment for a pledge: <sup>18</sup> But thou shalt remember that thou wast a bond-man in Egypt, and the

LORD thy God redeemed thee thence: therefore I command thee to do this thing. <sup>19</sup> When thou cuttest down thy harvest in thy field, and hast forgot a sheaf in the field, thou shalt not go again to fetch it: it shall be for the stranger, for the fatherless, and for the widow: that the LORD thy God may bless thee in all the work of thy hands. <sup>20</sup> When thou beatest thy olive-tree, thou shalt not go over the boughs again: it shall be for the stranger, for the fatherless, and for the widow. <sup>21</sup> When thou gatherest the grapes of thy vineyard, thou shalt not glean *it* afterward: it shall be for the stranger, for the fatherless, and for the widow. <sup>22</sup> And thou shalt remember that thou wast a bond-man in the land of Egypt: therefore I command thee to do this thing.

## 25

<sup>1</sup> If there shall be a controversy between men, and they come to judgment, that *the judges* may judge them; then they shall justify the righteous, and condemn the wicked. <sup>2</sup> And it shall be, if the wicked man *be* worthy to be beaten, that the judge shall cause him to lie down, and to be beaten before his face, according to his fault, by a certain number. <sup>3</sup> Forty stripes he may give him, *and* not exceed: lest *if* he should exceed, and beat him above these with many stripes, then thy brother should seem vile to thee. <sup>4</sup> Thou shalt not muzzle the ox when he treadeth out *the corn*. <sup>5</sup> If brethren shall dwell together, and one of them shall die and have no child, the wife of the dead shall not marry without to a stranger: her

husband's brother shall go in to her, and take her to him for a wife, and perform the duty of a husband's brother to her. <sup>6</sup> And it shall be, *that* the first-born which she beareth, shall succeed in the name of his brother *who is* dead, that his name may not become extinct in Israel. <sup>7</sup> And if the man shall not like to take his brother's wife, then let his brother's wife go up to the gate to the elders, and say, My husband's brother refuseth to raise up to his brother a name in Israel, he will not perform the duty of my husband's brother. <sup>8</sup> Then the elders of his city shall call him, and speak to him: and *if* he shall stand *to it* , and say, I like not to take her, <sup>9</sup> Then shall his brother's wife come to him in the presence of the elders, and loose his shoe from off his foot, and spit in his face, and shall answer and say, So shall it be done to that man that will not build up his brother's house. <sup>10</sup> And his name shall be called in Israel, The house of him that hath his shoe loosed. <sup>11</sup> When men strive together one with another, and the wife of the one draweth near to deliver her husband from the hand of him that smiteth him, and putteth forth her hand, and taketh him by the secrets: <sup>12</sup> Then thou shalt cut off her hand, thy eye shall not pity *her* . <sup>13</sup> Thou shalt not have in thy bag divers weights, a great and a small: <sup>14</sup> Thou shalt not have in thy house divers measures, a great and a small: <sup>15</sup> *But* thou shalt have a perfect and just weight, a perfect and just measure shalt thou have; that thy days may be lengthened in the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee. <sup>16</sup> For all that do

such things, *and* all that do unrighteously, *are* an abomination to the LORD thy God. <sup>17</sup> Remember what Amalek did to thee by the way, when ye had come forth from Egypt; <sup>18</sup> How he met thee by the way, and smote the hindmost of thee, *even* all *that were* feeble behind thee, when thou *wast* faint and weary; and he feared not God. <sup>19</sup> Therefore it shall be, when the LORD thy God hath given thee rest from all thy enemies on all sides, in the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee *for* an inheritance to possess it, *that* thou shalt blot out the remembrance of Amalek from under heaven; thou shalt not forget *it* .

## 26

<sup>1</sup> And it shall be, when thou hast come in to the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee *for* an inheritance, and possessest it, and dwellest therein; <sup>2</sup> That thou shalt take of the first of all the fruit of the earth, which thou shalt bring of thy land that the LORD thy God giveth thee, and shalt put *it* in a basket, and shalt go to the place which the LORD thy God shall choose to place his name there. <sup>3</sup> And thou shalt go to the priest that shall be in those days, and say to him, I profess this day to the LORD thy God, that I have come to the country which the Lord swore to our fathers to give us. <sup>4</sup> And the priest shall take the basket from thy hand, and set it down before the altar of the LORD thy God. <sup>5</sup> And thou shalt speak and say before the LORD thy God, A Syrian ready to perish *was* my father, and he went down to Egypt, and sojourned there with a

few, and became there a nation, great, mighty, and populous: <sup>6</sup> And the Egyptians ill-treated us, and afflicted us, and laid upon us hard bondage: <sup>7</sup> And when we cried to the LORD God of our fathers, the LORD heard our voice, and looked on our affliction, and our labor, and our oppression: <sup>8</sup> And the LORD brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand, and with an out-stretched arm, and with great terribleness, and with signs, and with wonders; <sup>9</sup> And he hath brought us into this place, and hath given us this land, *even* a land that floweth with milk and honey. <sup>10</sup> And now, behold, I have brought the first-fruits of the land, which thou, O LORD, hast given me: and thou shalt set it before the LORD thy God, and worship before the LORD thy God: <sup>11</sup> And thou shalt rejoice in every good *thing* which the LORD thy God hath given to thee, and to thy house, thou, and the Levite, and the stranger that *is* among you. <sup>12</sup> When thou hast made an end of tithing all the tithes of thy increase the third year, *which is* the year of tithing, and hast given *it* to the Levite, the stranger, the fatherless, and the widow, that they may eat within thy gates, and be filled: <sup>13</sup> Then thou shalt say before the LORD thy God, I have brought away the hallowed things out of *my* house, and also have given them to the Levite, and to the stranger, to the fatherless, and to the widow, according to all thy commandments which thou hast commanded me: I have not transgressed thy commandments, neither have I forgotten *them* : <sup>14</sup> I have not eaten of it in my mourning, neither have I taken away *aught*

of it for *any* unclean *use* , nor given *ought* of it for the dead: *but* I have hearkened to the voice of the LORD my God, *and* have done according to all that thou hast commanded me. <sup>15</sup> Look down from thy holy habitation, from heaven, and bless thy people Israel, and the land which thou hast given us, as thou didst swear to our fathers, a land that floweth with milk and honey. <sup>16</sup> This day the LORD thy God hath commanded thee to perform these statutes and judgments: thou shalt therefore keep and do them with all thy heart, and with all thy soul. <sup>17</sup> Thou hast avouched the LORD this day to be thy God, and to walk in his ways, and to keep his statutes, and his commandments, and his judgments, and to hearken to his voice: <sup>18</sup> And the LORD hath avouched thee this day to be his peculiar people, as he hath promised thee, and that *thou* shouldst keep all his commandments; <sup>19</sup> And to make thee high above all nations which he hath made, in praise, and in name, and in honor; and that thou mayest be a holy people to the LORD thy God, as he hath spoken.

## 27

<sup>1</sup> And Moses with the elders of Israel commanded the people, saying, Keep all the commandments which I command you this day. <sup>2</sup> And it shall be on the day when ye shall pass over Jordan to the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee, that thou shalt set thee up great stones, and plaster them with plaster: <sup>3</sup> And thou shalt write upon them all the words of this law,

when thou hast passed over, that thou mayest enter in to the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee, a land that floweth with milk and honey; as the LORD God of thy fathers hath promised thee. <sup>4</sup> Therefore it shall be when ye have gone over Jordan, *that* ye shall set up these stones, which I command you this day, in mount Ebal, and thou shalt plaster them with plaster. <sup>5</sup> And there shalt thou build an altar to the LORD thy God, an altar of stones: thou shalt not lift up *any* iron *tool* upon them. <sup>6</sup> Thou shalt build the altar of the LORD thy God of whole stones: and thou shalt offer on it burnt-offerings to the LORD thy God. <sup>7</sup> And thou shalt offer peace-offerings, and shalt eat there, and rejoice before the LORD thy God. <sup>8</sup> And thou shalt write upon the stones all the words of this law, very plainly. <sup>9</sup> And Moses and the priests the Levites spoke to all Israel, saying, Take heed and hearken, O Israel, this day thou art become the people of the LORD thy God. <sup>10</sup> Thou shalt therefore obey the voice of the LORD thy God, and do his commandments and his statutes which I command thee this day. <sup>11</sup> And Moses charged the people the same day, saying, <sup>12</sup> These shall stand upon mount Gerizim to bless the people, when ye have come over Jordan; Simeon, and Levi, and Judah, and Issachar, and Joseph, and Benjamin: <sup>13</sup> And these shall stand upon mount Ebal to curse; Reuben, Gad, and Asher, and Zebulun, Dan, and Naphtali. <sup>14</sup> And the Levites shall speak, and say to all the men of Israel with a loud voice, <sup>15</sup> Cursed *be* the man that maketh *any* graven or molten image,

an abomination to the LORD, the work of the hands of the artificer, and putteth *it* in a secret *place* : and all the people shall answer, and say Amen. <sup>16</sup> Cursed *be* he that setteth light by his father or his mother: and all the people shall say, Amen. <sup>17</sup> Cursed *be* he that removeth his neighbor's landmark: and all the people shall say, Amen. <sup>18</sup> Cursed *be* he that maketh the blind to wander out of the way: and all the people shall say, Amen. <sup>19</sup> Cursed *be* he that perverteth the judgment of the stranger, fatherless, and widow: and all the people shall say, Amen. <sup>20</sup> Cursed *be* he that lieth with his father's wife; because he uncovereth his father's skirt: and all the people shall say, Amen. <sup>21</sup> Cursed *be* he that lieth with any manner of beast: and all the people shall say, Amen. <sup>22</sup> Cursed *be* he that lieth with his sister, the daughter of his father, or the daughter of his mother: and all the people shall say, Amen. <sup>23</sup> Cursed *be* he that lieth with his mother-in-law: and all the people shall say, Amen. <sup>24</sup> Cursed *be* he that smiteth his neighbor secretly: and all the people shall say, Amen. <sup>25</sup> Cursed *be* he that taketh reward to slay an innocent person: and all the people shall say, Amen. <sup>26</sup> Cursed *be* he that confirmeth not *all* the words of this law to do them: and all the people shall say, Amen.

## 28

<sup>1</sup> And it shall come to pass, if thou shalt hearken diligently to the voice of the LORD thy God, to observe *and* to do all his commandments which I command thee this day; that the LORD

thy God will set thee on high above all nations of the earth: <sup>2</sup> And all these blessings shall come on thee, and overtake thee, if thou shalt hearken to the voice of the LORD thy God. <sup>3</sup> Blessed *shalt thou be* in the city, and blessed *shalt thou be* in the field. <sup>4</sup> Blessed *shall be* the fruit of thy body, and the fruit of thy ground, and the fruit of thy cattle, the increase of thy cattle, and the flocks of thy sheep. <sup>5</sup> Blessed *shall be* thy basket and thy store. <sup>6</sup> Blessed *shalt thou be* when thou comest in, and blessed *shalt thou be* when thou goest out. <sup>7</sup> The LORD shall cause thy enemies that rise up against thee to be smitten before thy face: they shall come out against thee one way, and flee before thee seven ways. <sup>8</sup> The LORD shall command the blessing upon thee in thy store-houses, and in all that thou settest thy hand to: and he shall bless thee in the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee. <sup>9</sup> The LORD shall establish thee a holy people to himself, as he hath sworn to thee, if thou shalt keep the commandments of the LORD thy God, and walk in his ways. <sup>10</sup> And all the people of the earth shall see that thou art called by the name of the LORD; and they shall be afraid of thee. <sup>11</sup> And the LORD shall make thee to abound in goods, in the fruit of thy body, and in the fruit of thy cattle, and in the fruit of thy ground, in the land which the LORD swore to thy fathers to give thee. <sup>12</sup> The LORD shall open to thee his good treasure, the heaven to give rain to thy land in its season, and to bless all the work of thy hand: and thou shalt lend to many nations, and thou

shalt not borrow. <sup>13</sup> And the LORD shall make thee the head, and not the tail; and thou shalt be above only, and thou shalt not be beneath; if thou shalt hearken to the commandments of the LORD thy God, which I command thee this day, to observe and to do *them* : <sup>14</sup> And thou shalt not go aside from any of the words which I command thee this day, *to* the right hand or *to* the left, to go after other gods to serve them. <sup>15</sup> But it shall come to pass, if thou wilt not hearken to the voice of the LORD thy God, to observe to do all his commandments and his statutes which I command thee this day; that all these curses shall come upon thee, and overtake thee: <sup>16</sup> Cursed *shalt* thou *be* in the city, and cursed *shalt* thou *be* in the field. <sup>17</sup> Cursed *shall be* thy basket and thy store. <sup>18</sup> Cursed *shall be* the fruit of thy body, and the fruit of thy land, the increase of thy kine, and the flocks of thy sheep. <sup>19</sup> Cursed *shalt* thou *be* when thou comest in, and cursed *shalt* thou *be* when thou goest out. <sup>20</sup> The LORD shall send upon thee cursing, vexation, and rebuke, in all that thou undertakest to perform, until thou shalt be destroyed, and until thou shalt perish quickly; because of the wickedness of thy doings by which thou hast forsaken me. <sup>21</sup> The LORD shall make the pestilence cleave to thee, until he shall have consumed thee from off the land, whither thou goest to possess it. <sup>22</sup> The LORD shall smite thee with a consumption, and with a fever, and with an inflammation, and with an extreme burning, and with the sword, and with blasting, and with mildew: and they shall pursue

thee until thou dost perish. <sup>23</sup> And thy heaven that *is* over thy head shall be brass, and the earth that *is* under thee *shall be* iron. <sup>24</sup> The LORD shall make the rain of thy land powder and dust: from heaven shall it come down upon thee, until thou art destroyed. <sup>25</sup> The LORD shall cause thee to be smitten before thy enemies: thou shalt go out one way against them, and flee seven ways before them; and shalt be removed into all the kingdoms of the earth. <sup>26</sup> And thy carcass shall be food to all fowls of the air, and to the beasts of the earth, and no man shall drive *them* away. <sup>27</sup> The LORD will smite thee with the botch of Egypt, and with the emerods, and with the scab, and with the itch, of which thou canst not be healed. <sup>28</sup> The LORD shall smite thee with the madness, and blindness, and astonishment of heart: <sup>29</sup> And thou shalt grope at noon-day, as the blind gropeth in darkness, and thou shalt not prosper in thy ways: and thou shalt be only oppressed and spoiled evermore, and no man shall save *thee* . <sup>30</sup> Thou shalt betroth a wife, and another man shall lie with her: thou shalt build a house, and thou shalt not dwell in it: thou shalt plant a vineyard, and shalt not gather the grapes of it. <sup>31</sup> Thy ox *shall be* slain before thy eyes, and thou shalt not eat of it: thy ass *shall be* violently taken away from before thy face, and shall not be restored to thee: thy sheep *shall be* given to thy enemies, and thou shalt have none to rescue *them* . <sup>32</sup> Thy sons and thy daughters *shall be* given to another people, and thy eyes shall look, and fail *with longing* for them all the day long: and *there shall be* no might in thy hand.

<sup>33</sup> The fruit of thy land, and all thy labors, shall be eaten by a nation which thou knowest not: and thou shalt be only oppressed and crushed always: <sup>34</sup> So that thou shalt be mad for the sight of thy eyes which thou shalt see. <sup>35</sup> The LORD shall smite thee in the knees, and in the legs, with a sore botch that cannot be healed, from the sole of thy foot to the top of thy head. <sup>36</sup> The LORD shall bring thee, and thy king which thou shalt set over thee, to a nation which neither thou nor thy fathers have known; and there shalt thou serve other gods, wood and stone. <sup>37</sup> And thou shalt become an astonishment, a proverb, and a by-word, among all nations whither the LORD shall lead thee. <sup>38</sup> Thou shalt carry much seed into the field, and shalt gather *but* little: for the locust shall consume it. <sup>39</sup> Thou shalt plant vineyards and dress *them* , but shalt neither drink *of* the wine, nor gather *the grapes* : for the worm shall eat them. <sup>40</sup> Thou shalt have olive-trees throughout all thy coasts, but thou shalt not anoint *thyself* with the oil: for thy olive shall cast *its fruit* . <sup>41</sup> Thou shalt beget sons and daughters, but thou shalt not enjoy them: for they shall go into captivity. <sup>42</sup> All thy trees and fruit of thy land shall the locust consume. <sup>43</sup> The stranger that *is* within thee shall rise above thee very high; and thou shalt come down very low. <sup>44</sup> He shall lend to thee, and thou shalt not lend to him: he shall be the head, and thou shalt be the tail. <sup>45</sup> Moreover, all these curses shall come upon thee, and shall pursue thee, and overtake thee, till thou art destroyed: because

thou hearkenedst not to the voice of the LORD thy God, to keep his commandments and his statutes which he commanded thee: <sup>46</sup> And they shall be upon thee for a sign and for a wonder, and upon thy seed for ever. <sup>47</sup> Because thou didst not serve the LORD thy God with joyfulness and with gladness of heart, for the abundance of all *things* : <sup>48</sup> Therefore shalt thou serve thy enemies which the LORD shall send against thee, in hunger, and in thirst, and in nakedness, and in want of all *things* : and he shall put a yoke of iron upon thy neck, until he hath destroyed thee. <sup>49</sup> The LORD shall bring a nation against thee from far, from the end of the earth, *as swift* as the eagle flieth, a nation whose language thou shalt not understand: <sup>50</sup> A nation of fierce countenance, which shall not regard the person of the old, nor show favor to the young: <sup>51</sup> And he shall eat the fruit of thy cattle, and the fruit of thy land, until thou art destroyed: which *also* shall not leave thee *either* corn, wine, or oil, *or* the increase of thy cattle, or flocks of thy sheep, until he hath destroyed thee. <sup>52</sup> And he shall besiege thee in all thy gates, until thy high and fortified walls come down, in which thou didst trust, throughout all thy land; and he shall besiege thee in all thy gates throughout all thy land which the LORD thy God hath given thee. <sup>53</sup> And thou shalt eat the fruit of thy own body, the flesh of thy sons and of thy daughters which the LORD thy God hath given thee, in the siege and in the straitness with which thy enemies shall distress thee: <sup>54</sup> *So that* the man *that is*

tender among you, and very delicate, his eye shall be evil towards his brother, and towards the wife of his bosom, and towards the remnant of his children whom he shall leave: <sup>55</sup> So that he will not give to any of them of the flesh of his children whom he shall eat: because he hath nothing left him in the siege and in the straitness with which thy enemies shall distress thee in all thy gates. <sup>56</sup> The tender and delicate woman among you, who would not venture to set the sole of her foot upon the ground for delicateness and tenderness, her eye shall be evil towards the husband of her bosom, and towards her son, and towards her daughter, <sup>57</sup> And towards her young one, her own offspring, and towards her children which she shall bear: for she shall eat them for want of all *things* secretly in the siege and straitness with which thy enemy shall distress thee in thy gates. <sup>58</sup> If thou wilt not observe to do all the words of this law that are written in this book, that thou mayest fear this glorious and fearful name, THE LORD THY GOD; <sup>59</sup> Then the LORD will make thy plagues wonderful, and the plagues of thy seed, *even* great plagues, and of long continuance, and severe sicknesses, and of long continuance. <sup>60</sup> Moreover, he will bring upon thee all the diseases of Egypt, of which thou wast afraid; and they shall cleave to thee. <sup>61</sup> Also every sickness, and every plague which is not written in the book of this law, them will the LORD bring upon thee, until thou art destroyed. <sup>62</sup> And ye shall be left few in number, whereas ye were as the stars of heaven for multitude;

because thou wouldst not obey the voice of the LORD thy God. <sup>63</sup> And it shall come to pass, *that* as the LORD rejoiced over you to do you good, and to multiply you; so the LORD will rejoice over you to destroy you, and to bring you to naught; and ye shall be plucked from off the land whither thou goest to possess it. <sup>64</sup> And the LORD shall scatter thee among all people from the one end of the earth even to the other; and there thou shalt serve other gods, which neither thou nor thy fathers have known, *even* wood and stone. <sup>65</sup> And among these nations shalt thou find no ease, neither shall the sole of thy foot have rest: but the LORD shall give thee there a trembling heart, and failing of eyes, and sorrow of mind: <sup>66</sup> And thy life shall hang in doubt before thee; and thou shalt fear day and night, and shalt have no assurance of thy life: <sup>67</sup> In the morning thou shalt say, O that it were evening, and at evening thou shalt say, O that it were morning! for the fear of thy heart with which thou shalt fear, and for the sight of thy eyes which thou shalt see. <sup>68</sup> And the LORD shall bring thee into Egypt again with ships, by the way of which I have said to thee, Thou shalt see it no more again: and there ye shall be sold to your enemies for bond-men and bond-women, and no man shall buy *you* .

## 29

<sup>1</sup> These *are* the words of the covenant which the LORD commanded Moses to make with the children of Israel in the land of Moab, besides the covenant which he made with them in Horeb.

<sup>2</sup> And Moses called to all Israel, and said to them, Ye have seen all that the LORD did before your eyes in the land of Egypt to Pharaoh, and to all his servants, and to all his land; <sup>3</sup> The great temptations which thy eyes have seen, the signs, and those great miracles: <sup>4</sup> Yet the LORD hath not given you a heart to perceive, and eyes to see, and ears to hear, to this day. <sup>5</sup> And I have led you forty years in the wilderness: your clothes have not become old upon you, and thy shoe hath not become old upon thy foot. <sup>6</sup> Ye have not eaten bread, neither have ye drank wine or strong drink: that ye might know that I *am* the LORD your God. <sup>7</sup> And when ye came to this place, Sihon the king of Heshbon, and Og the king of Bashan, came out against us to battle, and we smote them: <sup>8</sup> And we took their land, and gave it for an inheritance to the Reubenites, and to the Gadites, and to the half-tribe of Manasseh. <sup>9</sup> Keep therefore the words of this covenant, and do them, that ye may prosper in all that ye do. <sup>10</sup> Ye stand this day all of you before the LORD your God; your captains of your tribes, your elders, and your officers, *with* all the men of Israel, <sup>11</sup> Your little ones, your wives, and thy stranger that *is* in thy camp, from the hewer of thy wood to the drawer of thy water: <sup>12</sup> That thou shouldst enter into covenant with the LORD thy God, and into his oath, which the LORD thy God maketh with thee this day: <sup>13</sup> That he may establish thee to-day for a people to himself, and *that* he may be to thee a God, as he hath said to thee, and as he hath sworn to thy fathers, to

Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob. <sup>14</sup> Neither with you only do I make this covenant and this oath; <sup>15</sup> But with *him* that standeth here with us this day before the LORD our God, and also with *him* that *is* not here with us this day: <sup>16</sup> (For ye know how we have dwelt in the land of Egypt; and how we came through the nations which ye passed by; <sup>17</sup> And ye have seen their abominations, and their idols, wood and stone, silver and gold, which *were* among them:;) <sup>18</sup> Lest there should be among you man, or woman, or family, or tribe, whose heart turneth away this day from the LORD our God, to go *and* serve the gods of these nations; lest there should be among you a root that beareth gall and wormwood; <sup>19</sup> And it should come to pass, when he heareth the words of this curse, that he should bless himself in his heart, saying, I shall have peace, though I walk in the imagination of my heart, to add drunkenness to thirst: <sup>20</sup> The LORD will not spare him, but then the anger of the LORD and his jealousy shall smoke against that man, and all the curses that are written in this book shall lie upon him, and the LORD shall blot out his name from under heaven. <sup>21</sup> And the LORD shall separate him to evil out of all the tribes of Israel according to all the curses of the covenant that are written in this book of the law: <sup>22</sup> So that the generation to come of your children that shall arise after you, and the stranger that shall come from a distant land, shall say, when they see the plagues of that land, and the sicknesses which the LORD hath laid upon it; <sup>23</sup> *And that* the whole land

of it is brimstone, and salt, *and* burning, *that* it is not sown, nor doth it bear, nor doth any grass grow in it, like the overthrow of Sodom, and Gomorrah, Admah, and Zeboim, which the LORD overthrew in his anger and in his wrath: <sup>24</sup> Even all the nations shall say, Why hath the LORD done thus to this land? what *meaneth* the heat of this great anger? <sup>25</sup> Then men shall say, Because they have forsaken the covenant of the LORD God of their fathers, which he made with them when he brought them forth from the land of Egypt: <sup>26</sup> For they went and served other gods, and worshiped them, gods which they knew not, and which he had not given to them: <sup>27</sup> And the anger of the LORD was kindled against this land, to bring upon it all the curses that are written in this book: <sup>28</sup> And the LORD rooted them out of their land in anger and in wrath, and in great indignation, and cast them into another land, as *it is* this day. <sup>29</sup> The secret *things belong* to the LORD our God: but those *things which are* revealed *belong* to us, and to our children for ever, that we may do all the words of this law.

## 30

<sup>1</sup> And it shall come to pass, when all these things have come upon thee, the blessing and the curse, which I have set before thee, and thou shalt call *them* to mind among all the nations whither the LORD thy God hath driven thee, <sup>2</sup> And shalt return to the LORD thy God, and shalt obey his voice according to all that I command thee this day, thou and thy children, with all

thy heart, and with all thy soul; <sup>3</sup> That then the LORD thy God will turn thy captivity, and have compassion upon thee, and will return and gather thee from all the nations whither the LORD thy God hath scattered thee. <sup>4</sup> If *any* of thine shall be driven out to the outmost *parts* of heaven, from thence will the LORD thy God gather thee, and from thence will he bring thee: <sup>5</sup> And the LORD thy God will bring thee into the land which thy fathers possessed, and thou shalt possess it: and he will do thee good, and multiply thee above thy fathers. <sup>6</sup> And the LORD thy God will circumcise thy heart, and the heart of thy seed, to love the LORD thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, that thou mayest live. <sup>7</sup> And the LORD thy God will put all these curses upon thy enemies, and on them that hate thee, who persecuted thee. <sup>8</sup> And thou shalt return and obey the voice of the LORD, and do all his commandments which I command thee this day. <sup>9</sup> And the LORD thy God will make thee to abound in every work of thy hand, in the fruit of thy body, and in the fruit of thy cattle, and in the fruit of thy land, for good: for the LORD will again rejoice over thee for good, as he rejoiced over thy fathers: <sup>10</sup> If thou shalt hearken to the voice of the LORD thy God, to keep his commandments and his statutes which are written in this book of the law, *and* if thou shalt turn to the LORD thy God with all thy heart and with all thy soul. <sup>11</sup> For this commandment which I command thee this day, it is not hid from thee, neither is it far off. <sup>12</sup> It is not in heaven,

that thou shouldst say, Who shall ascend for us to heaven, and bring it to us, that we may hear it, and do it? <sup>13</sup> Neither *is* it beyond the sea, that thou shouldst say, Who shall go over the sea for us, and bring it to us, that we may hear it, and do it? <sup>14</sup> But the word *is* very nigh to thee, in thy mouth, and in thy heart, that thou mayest do it. <sup>15</sup> See, I have set before thee this day life and good, and death and evil; <sup>16</sup> In that I command thee this day to love the LORD thy God, to walk in his ways, and to keep his commandments, and his statutes, and his judgments, that thou mayest live and multiply: and the LORD thy God shall bless thee in the land whither thou goest to possess it. <sup>17</sup> But if thy heart shall turn away, so that thou wilt not hear, but shalt be drawn away, and worship other gods, and serve them; <sup>18</sup> I denounce to you this day, that ye shall surely perish, *and that ye shall not prolong your days upon the land, whither thou passest over Jordan to go to possess it.* <sup>19</sup> I call heaven and earth to record this day against you, *that* I have set before you life and death, blessing and cursing: therefore choose life, that both thou and thy seed may live: <sup>20</sup> That thou mayest love the LORD thy God, *and* that thou mayest obey his voice, and that thou mayest cleave to him (for he *is* thy life, and the length of thy days) that thou mayest dwell in the land which the LORD swore to thy fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, to give them.

## 31

<sup>1</sup> And Moses went and spoke these words to all Israel. <sup>2</sup> And he said to them, I *am* a hundred and twenty years old this day; I can no more go out and come in: also the LORD hath said to me, thou shalt not go over this Jordan. <sup>3</sup> The LORD thy God, he will go over before thee, *and* he will destroy these nations from before thee, and thou shalt possess them: *and* Joshua he shall go over before thee, as the LORD hath said. <sup>4</sup> And the LORD shall do to them as he did to Sihon, and to Og, kings of the Amorites, and to the land of them, whom he destroyed. <sup>5</sup> And the LORD shall give them up before your face, that ye may do to them according to all the commandments which I have commanded you. <sup>6</sup> Be strong and of a good courage, fear not, nor be afraid of them: for the LORD thy God, he *it is* that doth go with thee, he will not fail thee, nor forsake thee. <sup>7</sup> And Moses called to Joshua, and said to him in the sight of all Israel, Be strong and of a good courage: for thou must go with this people to the land which the LORD hath sworn to their fathers to give them; and thou shalt cause them to inherit it. <sup>8</sup> And the LORD, he *it is* that doth go before thee; he will be with thee, he will not fail thee, neither forsake thee: fear not, neither be dismayed. <sup>9</sup> And Moses wrote this law, and delivered it to the priests the sons of Levi, who bore the ark of the covenant of the LORD, and to all the elders of Israel. <sup>10</sup> And Moses commanded them, saying, At the end of *every* seven years, in the solemnity of the year of release, in the feast of tabernacles, <sup>11</sup> When all

Israel is come to appear before the LORD thy God in the place which he shall choose, thou shalt read this law before all Israel in their hearing. <sup>12</sup> Convene the people, men, and women, and children, and thy stranger that is within thy gates, that they may hear, and that they may learn, and fear the LORD your God, and observe to do all the words of this law: <sup>13</sup> And *that* their children who have not known *any thing*, may hear, and learn to fear the LORD your God, as long as ye live in the land whither ye go over Jordan to possess it. <sup>14</sup> And the LORD said to Moses, Behold, thy days approach that thou must die: call Joshua, and present yourselves in the tabernacle of the congregation, that I may give him a charge. And Moses and Joshua went and presented themselves in the tabernacle of the congregation. <sup>15</sup> And the LORD appeared in the tabernacle in a pillar of a cloud; and the pillar of the cloud stood over the door of the tabernacle. <sup>16</sup> And the LORD said to Moses, Behold, thou shalt sleep with thy fathers, and this people will rise up, and commit idolatry with the gods of the strangers of the land, whither they go *to be* among them, and will forsake me, and break my covenant which I have made with them. <sup>17</sup> Then my anger shall be kindled against them in that day, and I will forsake them, and I will hide my face from them, and they shall be devoured, and many evils and troubles shall befall them, so that they will say in that day, Have not these evils come upon us, because our God is not among us? <sup>18</sup> And I will surely hide my face in that day

for all the evils which they shall have wrought, in that they are turned to other gods. <sup>19</sup> Now therefore write ye this song for you, and teach it to the children of Israel: put it in their mouths, that this song may be a witness for me against the children of Israel. <sup>20</sup> For when I shall have brought them into the land which I swore to their fathers, that floweth with milk and honey; and they shall have eaten and filled themselves, and waxed fat; then will they turn to other gods, and serve them, and provoke me, and break my covenant. <sup>21</sup> And it shall come to pass, when many evils and troubles have befallen them, that this song shall testify against them as a witness: for it shall not be forgotten out of the mouths of their seed: for I know their imagination which they form, even now, before I have brought them into the land which I swore. <sup>22</sup> Moses therefore wrote this song the same day, and taught it to the children of Israel. <sup>23</sup> And he gave Joshua the son of Nun a charge, and said, Be strong and of a good courage: for thou shalt bring the children of Israel into the land which I swore to them: and I will be with thee. <sup>24</sup> And it came to pass, when Moses had made an end of writing the words of this law in a book, until they were finished, <sup>25</sup> That Moses commanded the Levites who bore the ark of the covenant of the LORD, saying, <sup>26</sup> Take this book of the law, and put it in the side of the ark of the covenant of the LORD your God, that it may be there for a witness against thee. <sup>27</sup> For I know thy rebellion, and thy stiff neck: behold, while I am yet alive with you this day, ye

have been rebellious against the LORD; and how much more after my death? <sup>28</sup> Assemble to me all the elders of your tribes, and your officers, that I may speak these words in their ears, and call heaven and earth to record against them. <sup>29</sup> For I know that after my death ye will utterly corrupt *yourselves* , and turn aside from the way which I have commanded you; and evil will befall you in the latter days; because ye will do evil in the sight of the LORD, to provoke him to anger through the work of your hands. <sup>30</sup> And Moses spoke in the ears of all the congregation of Israel the words of this song until they were ended.

## 32

<sup>1</sup> Give ear, O ye heavens, and I will speak; and hear, O earth, the words of my mouth. <sup>2</sup> My doctrine shall drop as the rain, my speech shall distill as the dew, as the small rain upon the tender herb, and as the showers upon the grass: <sup>3</sup> Because I will publish the name of the LORD: ascribe ye greatness to our God. <sup>4</sup> *He is* the Rock, his work *is* perfect: for all his ways *are* judgment: a God of truth and without iniquity: just and right *is* he. <sup>5</sup> They have corrupted themselves, their spot *is* not *the spot* of his children: *they are* a perverse and crooked generation. <sup>6</sup> Do ye thus requite the LORD, O foolish people and unwise? *is* not he thy father *that* hath bought thee? hath he not made thee, and established thee? <sup>7</sup> Remember the days of old, consider the years of many generations: ask thy father, and he will show thee; thy elders, and they

will tell thee. <sup>8</sup> When the Most High divided to the nations their inheritance, when he separated the sons of Adam, he set the bounds of the people according to the number of the children of Israel. <sup>9</sup> For the LORD'S portion is his people; Jacob is the lot of his inheritance. <sup>10</sup> He found him in a desert land, and in the waste howling wilderness; he led him about, he instructed him, he kept him as the apple of his eye. <sup>11</sup> As an eagle stirreth up her nest, fluttereth over her young, spreadeth abroad her wings, taketh them, beareth them on her wings; <sup>12</sup> So the LORD alone did lead him, and *there was* no strange God with him. <sup>13</sup> He made him ride on the high places of the earth, that he might eat the increase of the fields; and he made him to suck honey out of the rock, and oil out of the flinty rock; <sup>14</sup> Butter of cows, and milk of sheep, with fat of lambs, and rams of the breed of Bashan, and goats, with the fat of kidneys of wheat; and thou didst drink the pure blood of the grape. <sup>15</sup> But Jeshurun waxed fat, and kicked: thou hast waxed fat, thou art grown thick, thou art covered *with fatness* ; then he forsook God *who* made him, and lightly esteemed the Rock of his salvation. <sup>16</sup> They provoked him to jealousy with strange *gods* , with abominations they provoked him to anger. <sup>17</sup> They sacrificed to devils, not to God; to gods which they knew not, to new *gods that* came newly up, whom your fathers feared not. <sup>18</sup> Of the Rock *that* begat thee thou art unmindful, and hast forgotten God that formed thee. <sup>19</sup> And when the LORD saw *it* , he abhorred

*them* , because of the provoking of his sons, and of his daughters. <sup>20</sup> And he said, I will hide my face from them, I will see what their end *will be* : for they *are* a very froward generation, children in whom *is* no faith. <sup>21</sup> They have moved me to jealousy with *that which* is not God; they have provoked me to anger with their vanities: and I will move them to jealousy with *those who are* not a people; I will provoke them to anger with a foolish nation. <sup>22</sup> For a fire is kindled in my anger, and shall burn to the lowest hell, and shall consume the earth with her increase, and set on fire the foundations of the mountains. <sup>23</sup> I will heap mischiefs upon them; I will spend my arrows upon them. <sup>24</sup> *They shall be* burnt with hunger, and devoured with burning heat, and with bitter destruction: I will also send the teeth of beasts upon them, with the poison of serpents of the dust. <sup>25</sup> The sword without, and terror within, shall destroy both the young man and the virgin, the suckling *also* with the man of gray hairs. <sup>26</sup> I said, I would scatter them into corners, I would make the remembrance of them to cease from among men; <sup>27</sup> Were it not that I feared the wrath of the enemy, lest their adversaries should behave themselves strangely, *and* lest they should say, Our hand *is* high, and the LORD hath not done all this. <sup>28</sup> For they *are* a nation void of counsel, neither *is there any* understanding in them. <sup>29</sup> O that they were wise, *that* they understood this, *that* they would consider their latter end! <sup>30</sup> How should one chase a thousand, and two put ten thousand to

flight, except their Rock had sold them, and the LORD had shut them up? <sup>31</sup> For their rock is not as our Rock, even our enemies themselves *being* judges: <sup>32</sup> For their vine is of the vine of Sodom, and of the fields of Gomorrah: their grapes *are* grapes of gall, their clusters *are* bitter: <sup>33</sup> Their wine is the poison of dragons, and the cruel venom of asps. <sup>34</sup> Is not this laid up in store with me, *and* sealed up among my treasures? <sup>35</sup> To me *belongeth* vengeance, and recompense; their foot shall slide in *due* time: for the day of their calamity is at hand, and the things that shall come upon them make haste. <sup>36</sup> For the LORD shall judge his people, and repent for his servants: when he seeth that *their* power is gone, and *there is* none shut up, or left. <sup>37</sup> And he shall say, Where *are* their gods, *their* rock in whom they trusted, <sup>38</sup> Which ate the fat of their sacrifices, *and* drank the wine of their drink-offerings? let them rise up and help you, *and* be your protection. <sup>39</sup> See now that I, *even* I *am* he, and *there is* no god with me: I kill, and I make alive; I wound, and I heal: neither *is there any* that can deliver out of my hand. <sup>40</sup> For I lift up my hand to heaven, and say, I live for ever. <sup>41</sup> If I shall whet my glittering sword, and my hand take hold on judgment; I will render vengeance to my enemies, and will reward them that hate me. <sup>42</sup> I will make my arrows drunk with blood, and my sword shall devour flesh; *and that* with the blood of the slain and of the captives from the beginning

of revenges upon the enemy. <sup>43</sup> Rejoice, O ye nations, *with* his people: for he will avenge the blood of his servants, and will render vengeance to his adversaries, and will be merciful to his land, *and* to his people. <sup>44</sup> And Moses came and spoke all the words of this song in the ears of the people, he and Hoshea the son of Nun. <sup>45</sup> And Moses made an end of speaking all these words to all Israel; <sup>46</sup> And he said to them, Set your hearts to all the words which I testify among you this day, which ye shall command your children to observe to do, all the words of this law. <sup>47</sup> For it *is* not a vain thing for you: because it *is* your life; and through this thing ye shall prolong *your* days in the land whither ye go over Jordan to possess it. <sup>48</sup> And the LORD spoke to Moses that same day, saying, <sup>49</sup> Ascend this mountain Abarim, *to* mount Nebo, which *is* in the land of Moab, that *is* over against Jericho; and behold the land of Canaan which I give to the children of Israel for a Possession: <sup>50</sup> And die in the mount whither thou goest, and be gathered to thy people; as Aaron thy brother died in mount Hor, and was gathered to his people: <sup>51</sup> Because ye trespassed against me among the children of Israel at the waters of Meribah-Kadesh, in the wilderness of Zin; because ye sanctified me not in the midst of the children of Israel. <sup>52</sup> Yet thou shalt see the land before *thee* , but thou shalt not go thither to the land which I give the children of Israel.

### 33

<sup>1</sup> And this *is* the with which Moses, the man

of God, blessed the children of Israel before his death. <sup>2</sup> And he said, the LORD came from Sinai, and rose up from Seir to them; he shined forth from mount Paran, and he came with ten thousands of saints: from his right hand *went* a fiery law for them. <sup>3</sup> Yea, he loved the people; all his saints *are* in thy hand: and they sat down at thy feet; *every one* shall receive of thy words. <sup>4</sup> Moses commanded us a law; *even* the inheritance of the congregation of Jacob. <sup>5</sup> And he was king in Jeshurun, when the heads of the people *and* the tribes of Israel were assembled. <sup>6</sup> Let Reuben live, and not die; and let *not* his men be few. <sup>7</sup> And this *is the blessing* of Judah: and he said, Hear, LORD, the voice of Judah, and bring him to his people: let his hands be sufficient for him, and be thou a help *to him* from his enemies. <sup>8</sup> And of Levi he said, *Let* thy Thummim and thy Urim *be* with thy holy one, whom thou didst prove at Massah, *and with* whom thou didst strive at the waters of Meribah; <sup>9</sup> Who said to his father and to his mother, I have not seen him, neither did he acknowledge his brethren, nor know his own children: for they have observed thy word, and kept thy covenant. <sup>10</sup> They shall teach Jacob thy judgments, and Israel thy law; they shall put incense before thee, and whole burnt sacrifice upon thy altar. <sup>11</sup> Bless, LORD, his substance, and accept the work of his hands: smite through the loins of them that rise against him, and of them that hate him, that they rise not again. <sup>12</sup> *And* of Benjamin he said, The beloved of the LORD shall dwell in safety by him; *and*

*the LORD* shall cover him all the day long, and he shall dwell between his shoulders. <sup>13</sup> And of Joseph he said, Blessed of the LORD *be* his land, for the precious things of heaven, for the dew, and for the deep that coucheth beneath, <sup>14</sup> And for the precious fruits *brought forth* by the sun, and for the precious things put forth by the moon, <sup>15</sup> And for the chief things of the ancient mountains, and for the precious things of the lasting hills, <sup>16</sup> And for the precious things of the earth and fullness of it, and *for* the good will of him that dwelt in the bush; let *the blessing* come upon the head of Joseph, and upon the top of the head of him that was separated from his brethren. <sup>17</sup> His glory *is like* the firstling of his bullock, and his horns *are like* the horns of unicorns: with them he shall push the people together to the ends of the earth: and they *are* the ten thousands of Ephraim, and they *are* the thousands of Manasseh. <sup>18</sup> And of Zebulun he said, Rejoice, Zebulun, in thy going out; and Issachar, in thy tents. <sup>19</sup> They shall call the people to the mountain; there they shall offer sacrifices of righteousness: for they shall suck *of* the abundance of the seas, and *of* treasures hid in the sand. <sup>20</sup> And of Gad he said: Blessed *be* he that enlargeth Gad: he dwelleth as a lion, and teareth the arm with the crown of the head. <sup>21</sup> And he provided the first part for himself, because there, *in* a portion of the lawgiver, *was he* seated: and he came with the heads of the people, he executed the justice of the LORD, and his judgments with Israel. <sup>22</sup> And of Dan he

said, Dan *is* a lion's whelp: he shall leap from Bashan. <sup>23</sup> And of Naphtali he said, O Naphtali, satisfied with favor, and full with the blessing of the LORD: possess thou the west and the south. <sup>24</sup> And of Asher he said, *Let Asher be* blessed with children; let him be acceptable to his brethren, and let him dip his foot in oil. <sup>25</sup> Thy shoes *shall be* iron and brass; and as thy days, *so shall* thy strength *be* . <sup>26</sup> *There is* none like to the God of Jeshurun, *who* rideth upon the heaven in thy help, and in his excellence on the sky. <sup>27</sup> The eternal God *is thy* refuge, and underneath *are* the everlasting arms: and he shall thrust out the enemy from before thee, and shall say, Destroy *them* . <sup>28</sup> Israel then shall dwell in safety alone; the fountain of Jacob *shall be* upon a land of corn and wine, also his heavens shall drop down dew. <sup>29</sup> Happy *art* thou, O Israel: *who is* like to thee, O people saved by the LORD, the shield of thy help, and *who is* the sword of thy excellence! and thy enemies shall be found liars to thee; and thou shalt tread upon their high places.

## 34

<sup>1</sup> And Moses went up from the plains of Moab, upon the mountain of Nebo, to the top of Pisgah, that *is* over against Jericho: and the LORD showed him all the land of Gilead, to Dan, <sup>2</sup> And all Naphtali, and the land of Ephraim, and Manasseh, and all the land of Judah, to the utmost sea, <sup>3</sup> And the south, and the plain of the valley of Jericho, the city of palm-trees, to Zoar. <sup>4</sup> And the LORD said to him, This *is* the

land which I swore to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, saying, I will give it to thy seed: I have caused thee to see *it* with thy eyes, but thou shalt not go over thither. <sup>5</sup> So Moses the servant of the LORD died there in the land of Moab, according to the word of the LORD. <sup>6</sup> And he buried him in a valley in the land of Moab, over against Beth-peor: but no man knoweth of his sepulcher to this day. <sup>7</sup> And Moses *was* a hundred and twenty years old when he died: his eye was not dim, nor his natural force abated. <sup>8</sup> And the children of Israel wept for Moses in the plains of Moab thirty days: so the days of weeping *and* mourning for Moses were ended. <sup>9</sup> And Joshua the son of Nun was full of the spirit of wisdom; for Moses had laid his hands upon him: and the children of Israel hearkened to him, and did as the LORD commanded Moses. <sup>10</sup> And there arose not a prophet afterwards in Israel like to Moses, whom the LORD knew face to face, <sup>11</sup> In all the signs and the wonders which the LORD sent him to do in the land of Egypt, to Pharaoh, and to all his servants, and to all his land, <sup>12</sup> And in all that mighty hand, and in all the great terror which Moses showed in the sight of all Israel.

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