

October 26, 2025

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George Strait in

The

**COWBOY
RIDES AWAY**

View of Mt. Nebo
east of Dead Sea

Deuteronomy 4:32

Ask about the former days,
long before your time, from
the day God created human
beings on the earth

Moses, 1513-15
by Michelangelo
Church of San Pietro
in Vincoli, Rome



Tabernacle
in
Wilderness

Chicken Joke



Deuteronomy is Moses' *Last Farewell*

Moses KNEW stakes were HIGH right from the START

Except when he was 40 and killed the Egyptian

After that, things went SOUTH for 40 more years ...

Rather, things went EAST ... to the Middle East

Then God calls Moses ... Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers

After 40 years of wandering & at 120 years old

We have Deuteronomy – His final words, **Last Farewell**

Most of O.T. & Bible, we don't know much about MOSES

We know a LOT of what MOSES DID – yet scarcely his PERSON

WHO WAS MOSES? – strong, patient, humble – he told us

Num 12:3 **Now Moses was a very humble man, more
humble than anyone else on the face of the earth**



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George Strait's

“Cowboy Rides Away” name
of his 2013 Farewell Tour

LAST song of the night on
his Farewell Tour – June 7, 2014
AT&T Stadium in Arlington

Record attendance of 104,000

Written by Sonny Throckmorton
& Casey Kelly

Debuted by Strait in 1985 on album
Does Fort Worth Ever Cross Your Mind?

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Deuteronomy

1–4 1st Address of Moses Reviews 40-Year Trek

5–26 2nd Address of Moses Restates Law

5-7 Recall & Interpretation of Ten Commandments

8-21 Religious and national regulations

22-26 Regulations for domestic and personal relations

27–30 3rd Address of Moses on Future Land

27–28 Blessings and Curses

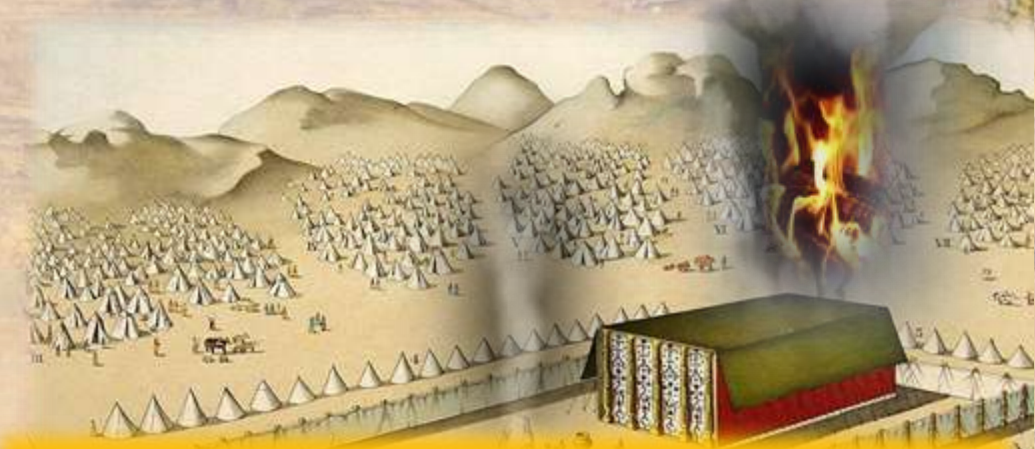
29–30 Final Exhortation

31–34 Final Days of Moses

^ is popular & useful summary

If you read Deuteronomy, you will SEE
it's MORE than 3 addresses

MORE like 3 Groups of Messages – then



The END

George Strait's 1985
"Cowboy Rides Away"
& 2013 Farewell Tour

MOSES – 120

He was NOT be
allowed to see the
Promised Land

MOSES ASKED!!!
God said, "NO!"
Think about that



Deuteronomy is Moses' ***Last Farewell***

Deuteronomy STARTS with Moses's PLEA
for Israel to SEE God's benevolence

Moses STARTS with a Plea to *Love God*

Charles H. Spurgeon, Sunday, March 12, 1876

Deuteronomy 4:29-31

I remembered the fable of the SUN & the WIND.

These rival powers competed as to which
could compel the traveler to cast away his cloak.

The WIND blew boisterously, and tugged at
the garment as if it would tear it from the
traveller's shoulders, but he buttoned it the *TIGHTER*.



Charles H. Spurgeon
by Alexander Melville

Charles H. Spurgeon, Sunday, March 12, 1876 - Deut 4:29-31

**Battle was NOT TO THE STRONG or the THREATENING.
When the WIND had ceased its blustering,
the SUN BURST forth from behind a cloud &
SMILED UPON THE TRAVELER**

**Smiled with warmth of kindness until he loosened his
cloak, and by and-by was glad to take it off altogether**

**The soft, sweet influence of the SUN had vanquished
where the storm had
raged in vain**



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So I thought, perhaps if I preach the tender mercy
of God, and his readiness to forgive, it may be ...
as the warm beams of the sun to the traveler,
and they will cast away the garments of their sin....

I know the **ARROWS OF LOVE** are keen, and wound
many hearts which are invulnerable to the sword of wrath.

O that these sacred darts may win the victory this day!



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by Alexander Melville

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1–4 1st Address of Moses Reviews 40-Year Trek

1:1 These are the words of Moses

**1:6 The Lord our God said to us at Horeb,
“You have stayed long enough at this mountain**

**Moses recounts trip, the selection of leaders, the trek, 12 Spies AND
the Israelite’s rebellion**

Chapter 2 recalls 38 years of wandering

**2:14 Thirty-eight years passed from the
time we left Kadesh Barnea until
we crossed the Zered Valley.**

**By then, that entire generation of fighting
men had perished from the camp,
as the Lord had sworn to them**



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1-4 1st Address of Moses Reviews 40-Year Trek

3:1-13 Moses continues with defeat of Og & Amorites

3:12-20 Moses recalls in brief the Divisions of the Land

3:18 I commanded you at that time: "The Lord your God has given you this land to take possession"

3:21-28 Moses praises THEN ASKS GOD

3:25 Let ME GO OVER & SEE the good land beyond the Jordan—that fine hill country & Lebanon."

Moses ASKED to go!!!

God refused, with fine stern words

STILL Moses calls Israel to Love GOD TODAY



Moses gives Israel a safe Harbor—IF they shall choose
Charles H. Spurgeon, Sunday, 3-12-1876 – Deut 4:29-31

**When ships at sea apprehend a storm
they will gladly make for an open harbour,
but if the storm causes doubt,**

**Sailors weather the tempest
rather than run the risk
of missing the harbour & hitting rocks....
When the welcome signals are flying & ...
there is plenty of water,
and that they may safely
run behind the breakwater
they hesitate no longer,
but make sail for the shelter.**



**Charles H. Spurgeon
by Alexander Melville**



Charles H. Spurgeon, Sunday, March 12, 1876 – Deut 4:29-31

Let seeking souls know this day that the
Lord's harbour of refuge is open,
Port of Free Grace can be reached,
there is sea room for the hugest transgressor,
LOVE enough to float the greatest sinner into port.
Ho, weather-beaten vessels,
ye may come and welcome!
There is NO need that even
for a solitary hour that
ye should run the risk of the
tempest of almighty wrath;
you are invited to find shelter
and to enjoy it now



Charles H. Spurgeon
by Alexander Melville



Charles H. Spurgeon, Sunday, March 12, 1876 – Deut 4:29-31

Arouse yourself, O man, for immediate action,
for if you wait till you have conquered
this evil force by your own strength,
if you delay to turn unto God until
you are free from the dominion of sin,
then assuredly you will wait for ever,
and perish in your folly.

If you could vanquish evil by your own power
you would not need to seek the Lord,
for you would have found salvation in yourself,
don't be so infatuated to
DREAM of such a thing.



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1–4 1st Address of Moses Reviews 40-Year Trek

3:26 ... Lord was angry with me and would not listen to me.

“That is enough,” the Lord said.

“Do not speak to me anymore about this matter.

3:27 Go up to the top of Pisgah & look west & north & south & east.

**Look at the land with your own eyes, since you are
NOT going to cross this Jordan.**

3:28 But commission Joshua....

There stands MOSES

At his journey’s end ...

With just a few more words to say ...



George Strait's 1985

"Cowboy Rides Away"
& 2013 Farewell Tour

After 40 years of
leading, praying,
LOVING Israel



Deuteronomy is Moses' *Last Farewell*

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1-4 1st Address of Moses Reviews 40-Year Trek

4:1-2 Now, Israel, hear the ... laws I am about to teach you.

Follow them so that you may live ... & take possession of the land

2 Do not add ... & do not subtract from it, but

keep the commands of the Lord your God that I give you.

Moses reminds - be careful - remember what you have seen

4:11 You came near & stood at the foot of the

mountain while it blazed with fire
to the very heavens, with

black clouds and deep darkness.

Moses recalls what his audience's

FATHERS, MOTHERS, Grandparents

Told every year at Passover



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Moses KNEW stakes were HIGH right from the START

ABRAHAM was the **FATHER** of Isaac & Jacob = Israel

MOSES was the **DELIVERER** of Israel's 12 Tribes

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Genesis & N.T. = **GOD** was the **FATHER** of **CHRIST**

N.T. = **CHRIST** was the **DELIVERER** on the **CROSS**

Revelation **CHRIST DELIVERS** us to **HEAVEN**

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Moses & Elijah were with Christ on the Mt of Transfiguration

Duet 34 records the death of Moses and God burying Moses

We do NOT know much of Moses' *PERSON*, yet from
34 chapters of Deuteronomy, we see a **HEART** for God



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4:12 Then the Lord spoke to you out of the fire.

You heard the sound of words but saw no form....

13 He declared to you his covenant, the **Ten Commandments**
He commanded you to follow ... wrote them on two stone tablets

As eloquent as Spurgeon, Moses continues

4:9 Only be careful! Watch yourselves closely
so that you do not forget the things
your **EYES HAVE SEEN** or
let them fade from your heart
as long as you live.

Teach them to your children
and to their children after them.



George Strait's 1985
"Cowboy Rides Away"
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Truly, Moses CAN
sing this stanza

So can Israel & God
sing this



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4:15-30 Moses gives another warning on idolatry—severely—

Like he must have said this several times over 40 years

4:26 I call the heavens & earth as witnesses against you **THIS DAY**

Moses ~ Moses ~ *M o s e s* ~ Moses ~ Moses ~ Moses

- ✓ Moses KNOWS SOME ... MANY ... MOST
- ✓ Moses has LIVED with them for 40 YEARS!
- ✓ Moses KNOWS them very well
- ✓ Moses LOVES God & God's People

Like Christ LOVES the Church

Only Moses & Elijah were w Christ on
on the Mt of Transfiguration

Moses knowing his days are **NUMBERED**



Charles H. Spurgeon, Sunday, March 12, 1876 - Deut 4:29-31

Now, mark God's directions:

"If thou seek him with all thy heart & with all thy soul."

There must be NO ambivalence about this seeking.

If you desire to be saved, there must be NO playing
and NO toying, trifling and feigning.

The search must be real, sincere, and earnest,
fervent, intense, thorough-going, or it will be a failure.

Is this too much to ask?

Surely if anything in the world deserves earnestness it is this.

If anything ought to arouse ALL a man's powers to energy,

it is the salvation of his **SOUL**



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You cannot win gold & attain riches
without being in earnest in the pursuit.

But what deserves the greatest *EARNESTNESS*?

This obtaining eternal life,
deliverance from eternal death,
acceptance in the beloved,
this God-insured endless heavenly bliss?

Oh, men, if you sleep over anything,

AT ANY RATE BE AWAKE HERE!

If you trifle upon any matters of importance,
yet **HERE** at any rate be serious, solemn, and earnest.



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Here there must be NO idling and NO delay!

Note that there is a repetition in the text.

**“If thou seek him with ALL THY HEART and
with ALL THY SOUL.”**

We must be doubly in earnest,
heart & soul must be in the pursuit.

Half-hearted seeking is NO SEEKING AT ALL....

If you are content to be put off with an inferior blessing,
you are not seeking the Lord at all.



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by Alexander Melville

George Strait's
"Cowboy Rides Away"

**This in the Houston Astrodome
right before his last show
in Arlington at AT&T Stadium**

**How did Israel bid FAREWELL
to their beloved MOSES?**

Moses didn't sing this song

Yet Moses left them with a

much more

powerful *MESSAGE*

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4:32 Ask now about the former days, long before your time,
from the day God created human beings on the earth

Moses ~ Moses ~ *M o s e s* ~ Moses ~ Moses ~ Moses

Want to KNOW who Moses was?

Deuteronomy 4:32-40 - *HANDOUT*

This passage bears READING aloud

4:40 Keep his decrees and commands,
which I am giving you today, so that
it may go well with you & your children
after you and that you may Live Long

in the land the Lord your God gives you for ALL TIME.

