

Deut 4 1-4 Remember – Cowboy Rides Away
 Deut 6 5-11 *Love* – *Shema* Israel
 Deut 12 12-26 Ten Commandments *CONNED*
 to Whole Law, Pt 1
 Deut 28 27-29 Blessings & Curses – Ten Commandments
CONNED to Whole Law, Pt 2
 Deut 30 30 This Day *DEATH* or *LIFE*
 ★ Deut 32 31-34 Moses' Last Song SPOKEN

November 30, 2025

Deuteronomy 32:1
 Listen, you *HEAVENS*,
 and I will speak;
 hear, you earth, the
 words of my mouth.

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



Merry Christmas ALL

View of Mt. Nebo
 east of Dead Sea



Tabernacle
 in
 Wilderness

Remember from where we have long travelled with Moses

BIBLE STORIES VIDEOS

THE TEN COMMANDMENTS



Remember, Deuteronomy = 2nd Law = Moses' Final Farewell
In Deuteronomy 32 is Moses'

“Last Song *Spoken*”

What will be YOUR “**Last Song**”?

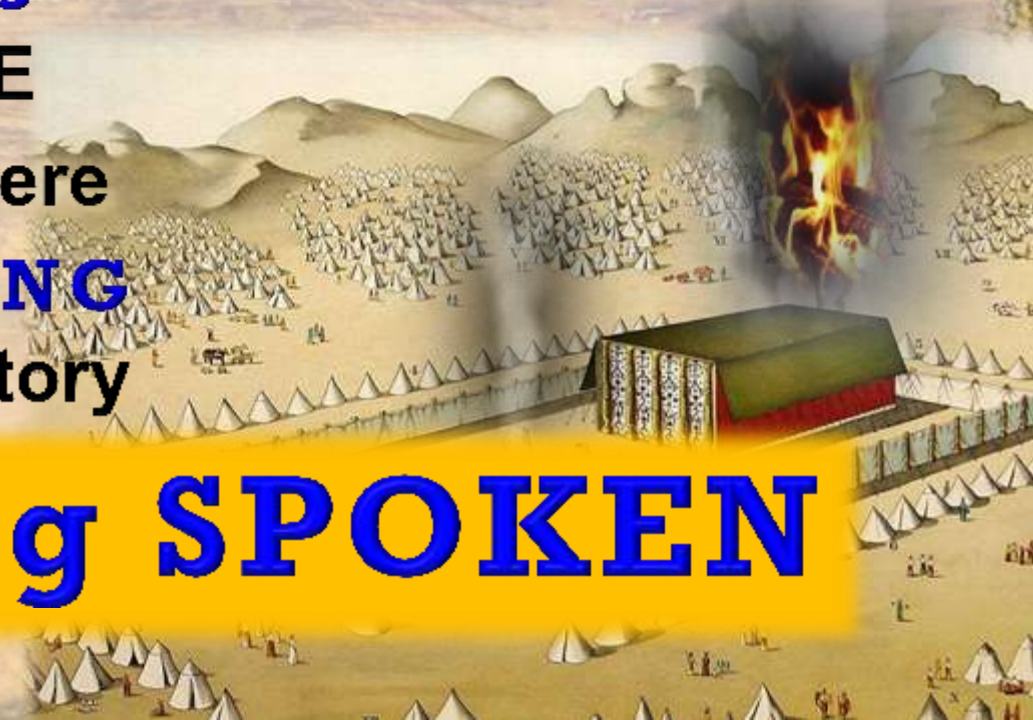
Who can count the # of “**Last Songs**” written

Fortunately for Moses, he was ABLE

Though there are **HINTS** here & there

There is NOTHING else like this **SONG**
in the entire Bible or even in History

Moses' Last Song SPOKEN



Deuteronomy – What is the RELEVANCE?

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

5–26 2nd Address of Moses Restates Law

5-7 Recall Ten Commandments & *Shema* Prayer

8-21 Religious and National Regulations

22-26 Regulations for Domestic & 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

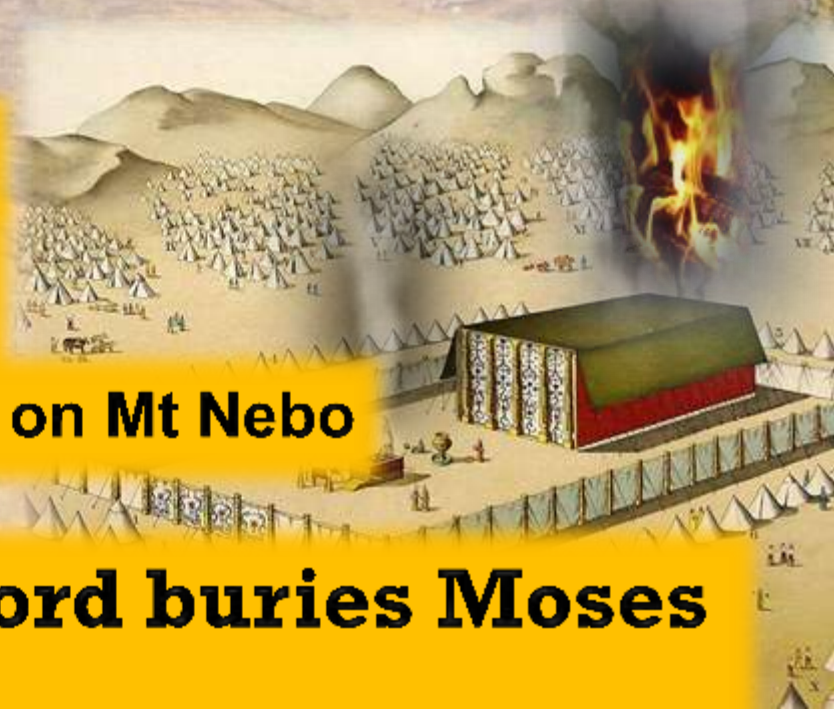
31 God tells Moses to commission Joshua

Moses writes Book of Law & puts beside Ark

32 Song of Moses – Moses TOLD he would die on Mt Nebo

33 Blessings of Moses to Tribes

34 Moses climbs Mt Nebo, *DIES*, Lord buries Moses



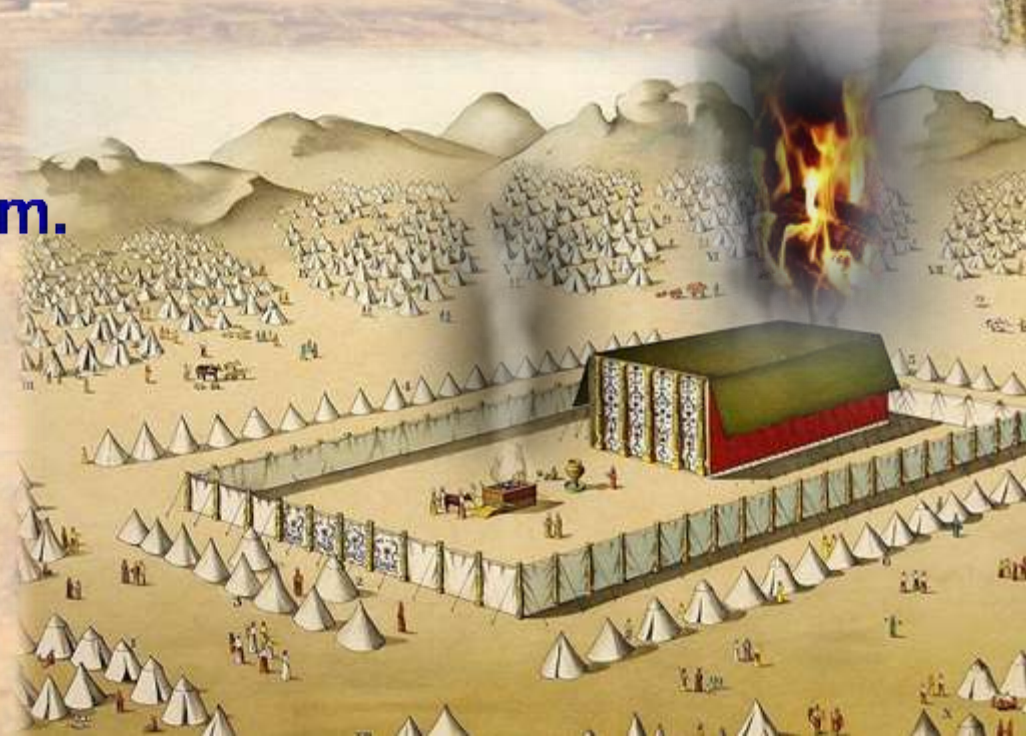
Moses closed his three speeches in Deut 30

**19-20 This day I call the heavens & the earth as witnesses against you
that I have set before you Life & Death,
Blessings & Curses.**

NOW CHOOSE LIFE

**so that you and your children may live ...
that you may love the LORD your God,
listen to His voice, and hold fast to Him.**

**For the LORD is YOUR LIFE, &
He will give you many years in the land
he swore to give to your fathers,
Abraham, Isaac and Jacob.**



Deuteronomy 31-34 **Moses ~ Moses ~ Moses**

Moses knows & sees the end of his days on earth

31:1-2 opens with how Moses spoke “all these words” then declares

“I am now a 120 years old and I am no longer able to lead you.

The Lord has said to me, ‘You shall not cross the Jordan.’

31 – writes Book of Law & Commissions Joshua, then closes

31:30 Moses **SPOKE** the words of this **SONG** from beginning to end in the hearing of the whole assembly of Israel

Word “**SPOKE**” is used 192x in O.T. from root used 1,144x in over 80 variations

That is “**SPOKE**” means “**SPEAK**”

Word “**SONG**” is use 10x in O.T. from root used 90x in 23 variations

Word for “**SONG**” most often translated “**SONG**” sometimes “**Music**”



Deuteronomy 31-34 **Moses ~ Moses ~ Moses**

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32 – **Song of Moses** – *to which we shall return*

33 – Blessings of **Moses** to Tribes

34 – **Moses** climbs Mt Nebo, Dies,
Lord buries Moses

Briefly, 33 & 34 are almost predictable

We do not know WHO wrote 34

Tradition holds to Joshua

Yet some say Eleazar the priest

Or even Ezra

As Moses FINISHES, there are doubters



**Think with me about the HOST of
Israelites LISTENING**

**Many are like you & me,
serious, loving God, devoted**

Yet among them are a few

- ✓ **Criminals – stealing**
- ✓ **Nay-Sayers – unbelieving**
- ✓ **Doubters – Not liking Moses**
- ✓ **Idolaters – Worship other gods**
- ✓ **Faithless – Just do NOT believe**

SOME ARE SCARED



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Moses ~ Moses ~ Moses

34 – **Moses** climbs Mt Nebo, Dies, Lord buries **Moses**

And so very fittingly, 34 ends with the greatest Tribute to **Moses**

34:10 Since then, no prophet has risen in Israel like Moses,
whom the Lord knew face to face,

34:11 who did all those signs & wonders the
Lord sent him to do in Egypt—to Pharaoh and
to all his officials and to his whole land.

34:12 For NO ONE has ever shown the
mighty power or performed the
awesome deeds that Moses
did in the sight of all Israel.

Moses—a deliverer succeeded only by **Christ**



Deuteronomy 32 – Last SPOKEN Song of Moses

Song of Moses

Prior to 32, we have two “songs” or “psalms” by **Moses**

Moses wrote Exodus 15, a song of praise & thanksgiving
for the Israelites' deliverance from the Egyptians

Moses wrote Psalm 90, prayer reflecting on the
brevity of human life and the eternity of God.

200-400 years before King David, we see
SONG in Israel with Moses' Last Song

Exodus – rise of Moses & Israel freed from Bondage
1-2 years with **Leviticus** Laws added to Exodus

Numbers – 38 years wondering

Deuteronomy – Moses' last year

Now 32 Moses' Great Song SPOKEN to Israel



Deuteronomy 32 – **Song of Moses *SPOKEN***

**1 Listen, you heavens, and I will speak;
hear, you earth, the words of my mouth.**

What a magnificent SONG that is ***SPOKEN*** by Moses

We can & do surmise that Moses knew many SONGS

Sometimes, a well-worn SONG is best

SPOKEN

To give meaning to the SONG

Amazing Grace – so beautifully SUNG

CAN also be READ with GREAT MEANING



Charles Spurgeon preached 10x on Deut 32

32:3	Small Rain for Tender Herbs	1887
32:5	The Secret Spot	1867
32:9	Choice Portions	1862
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**Treasures in these 10
we’ve rarely plumbed**



Charles H. Spurgeon
by Alexander Melville



Deuteronomy 32:1-43 – **Song of Moses *SPOKEN***

43 verses in 140 sweet & bitter lines – Moses's Last Farewell

AFTER 43 verses of Moses' Last *Spoken* Song come verses 44-52

32:46 Moses said to them, "Take to heart **ALL THE WORDS**
I have solemnly declared to you this day,
so that you may command your children to
obey carefully ALL THE WORDS OF THIS LAW.

32:47 They are not just idle words for you—

THEY ARE YOUR LIFE

^^ nearly same words of Deut 30:20 ^^

Deut 32:48-52 Lord tells Moses to go up Mt Nebo

AFTER Blessing Tribes in Deut 33

Moses goes ups mountain in Deut 34

Dies & Lord buries Moses



Deuteronomy 32:1-43 – **Song of Moses**

32:47 They are not just idle words for you—

THEY ARE YOUR LIFE

On this very verse, in a sermon delivered on
Sunday, June 22, 1862, Spurgeon said,

IT APPEARS from this closing remark of Moses, that there were
men in his time who thought religion to be vain....

there were many plain proofs of its usefulness:

**for they who served God in those days prospered, and
national advantages always followed nation obedience to God....**

Repentance & a return to allegiance always brought them a deliverer....

They had visibly before their eyes proofs that God did reward virtue....



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Yet ... there were some so besotted against God,
that they said, "It is a vain thing to serve the Lord."

sometimes ... we see the wicked prosper, and the righteous trodden....

so many counterfeits ... not remarkable that unconverted men should
consider even the genuine article to be but a vain thing.

Men have made pretenses of wondrous sanctity,
whilst inwardly full of rottenness....

However false may be the conclusion here— ...

Now we grant you ... that much of the religion which
is abroad in the world IS a vain thing.



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The religion of *ceremonies* IS vain.

If a man shall trust in the gorgeous pomp of uncommanded mysteries,
if he shall consider ... some mystic efficacy in a priest ...
we tell him that his religion IS a vain thing.

You might as well go to the Witch of Endor for grace as to a priest ...
if you rely upon words, the "*Abracadabra*" of a magician will as certainly
raise you to heaven or rather sink you to hell,
as the performances of the best ordained minister under heaven.



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Ceremonies in themselves ARE vain, futile, empty.

O dear hearers, how much worthless religion may you see everywhere!

So long as men get the name, they seem content without the substance.

**On all sides there are deceivers ... who write "Heaven" upon their brows,
but have hell in their hearts; who hang out the sign of an angel
over their doors, but have the devil for a host within.**

**Take heed to yourselves; be not deceived, for he who tries the heart and
searches the reins of the children of men is not mocked, and
He will surely discern between him that feareth God,
and Him that feareth Him not.**



**Charles H. Spurgeon
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32:47 They are not just idle words for you—

THEY ARE YOUR LIFE

That is how Moses closes AFTER SPEAKING his SONG

There is SO MUCH in that single verse

which is nearly TWICE repeated (30:20 & 32:47)

Now then, there is view as Moses now

labors forth in a SONG that he SPEAKS

in a SONG not sung with base or tenor but

SPOKEN from the heart of one who has

LIVED with them for 40 years



Among them, as Moses
SPOKE slowly this SONG
There were those NOT wanting
to be there
Some LABORING as if in
deceit or weary of Moses
Yet, there were the faithful
I believe from Deuteronomy that
MANY were believers
MANY sincere & devoted

We know from Moses' own
SONG that he slowly SPOKE
SOME had a FRAGILE FAITH



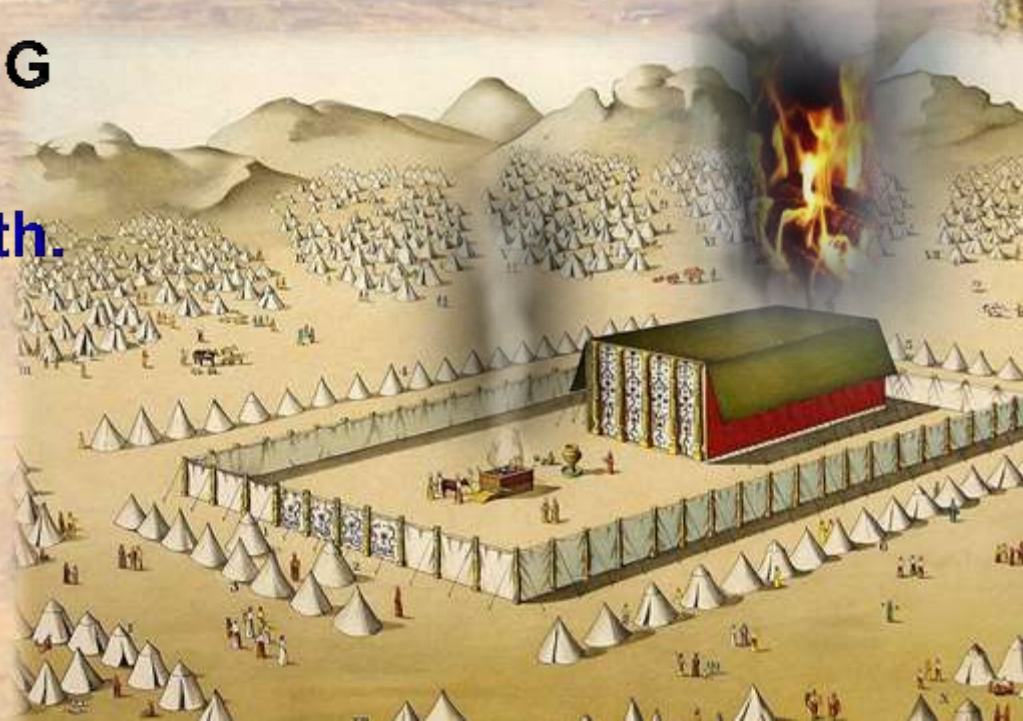
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43 verses in 140 sweet, bitter lines – **Moses' Last Song** *SPOKEN*

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Moses **ENDS** his life by **SPEAKING** a **SONG**

- 1 Listen, you heavens, and I will speak;
hear, you earth, the words of my mouth.
- 2 Let my teaching fall like rain
and my words descend like dew,
like showers on new grass,
like abundant rain on tender plants.



Deuteronomy 32:1-43 – **Song of Moses SPOKEN**

Moses SPEAKS his song hoping, praying Israel will hear from HEART

3 I will proclaim the name of the LORD.

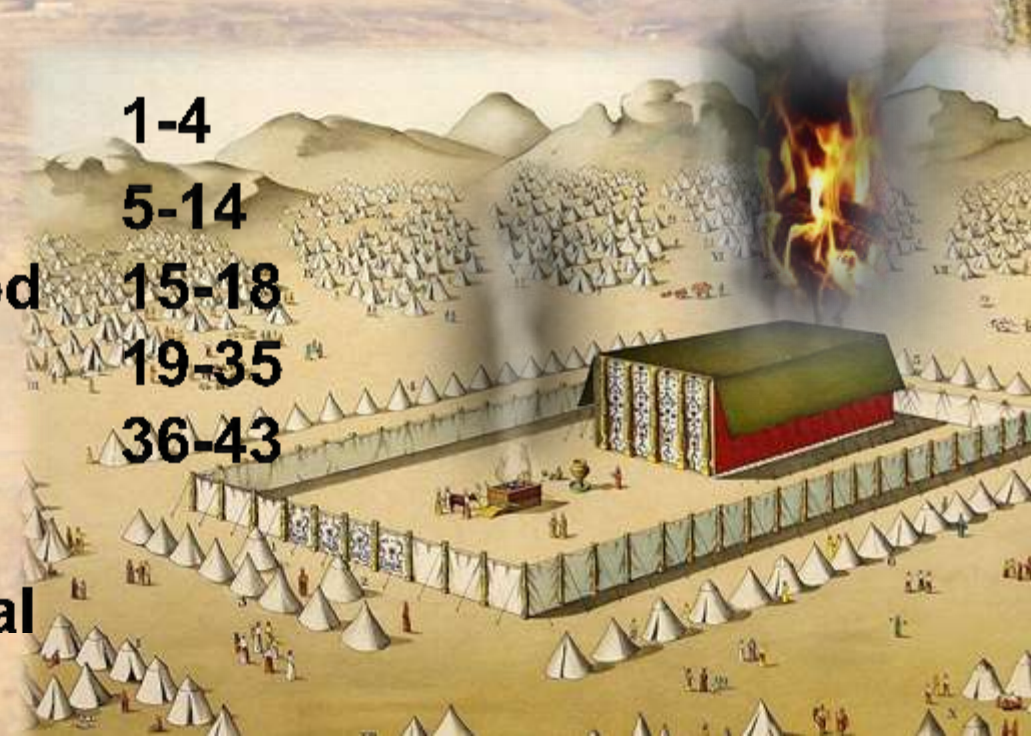
Oh, praise the greatness of our God!

**4 He is the Rock, His works are perfect,
and all his ways are just.**

**A faithful God who does no wrong,
upright and just is He.**

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Hear now now Moses almost tearfully
recalls how well God watched over Israel



Deuteronomy 32:1-43 – **Song of Moses SPOKEN**

5 They are corrupt and not his children, to their shame they are a warped and crooked generation.

KJV 5 They have corrupted themselves, their SPOT is not the SPOT of his children: they are a perverse and crooked generation.

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Spurgeon began with the difficulty of witnesses to crimes reporting to police

Just precisely **WHAT** one sees often varies

Turning to the moral universe, identity there is far more difficult ...

both the moral & religious world swarm with pretenders.



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Spurgeon continued: **text talks about certain Secret Spots.**

**These are tokens in which men cannot so readily
deceive as to their identity.**

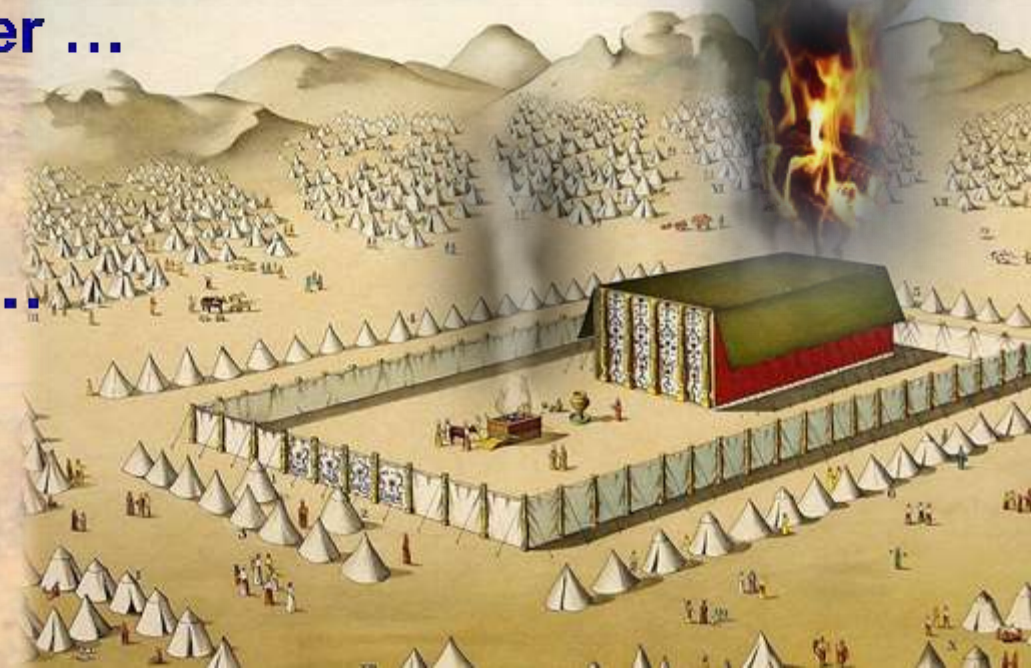
**The mother will be able to tell whether this is her child or not
by the spot which is known to none but herself.**

**The pretender may be very like her child: the voice may be
the voice of Jacob ... but the pretender ...**

**mother recollects ... a Secret Spot,
and if that be not there,
she turns aside the pretender....**



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this morning ... recollect that there are
secret marks upon every Christian ...

[No use of outward garb] may conform us
to the members of the heavenly family.-



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Deuteronomy 32:1-43 – **Song of Moses SPOKEN**

5 They are corrupt and not his children [no Secret Spot];
to their shame they are a warped and crooked generation.

6 Is this the way you repay the LORD,
you foolish and unwise people?

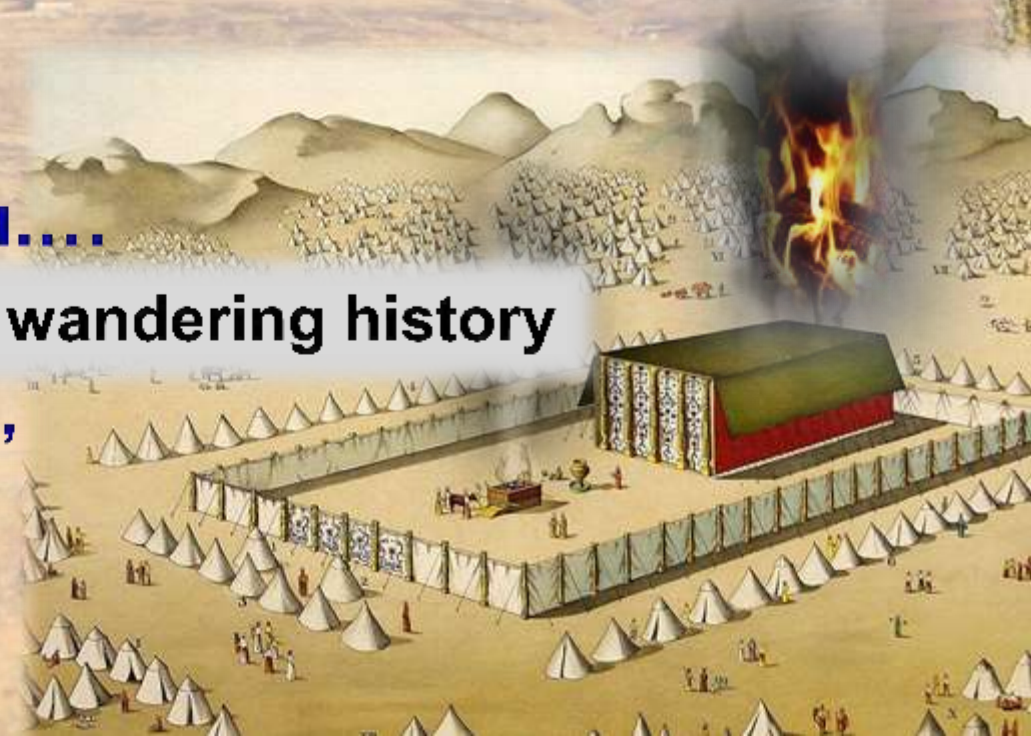
Is He not your Father, your Creator,
who made you and formed you?

7 Remember the days of old;
consider the generations long past.
Ask your father & he will tell you....

8-11 Moses SPEAKS this SONG of desert wandering history

10 ... guarded him as the apple of His eye,

11 like an eagle that stirs up its nest
and hovers over its young....



Deuteronomy 32:1-43 – **Song of Moses SPOKEN**

12 The LORD alone led him;
no foreign god was with him.

13 He made him ride on the heights of the land ...
He nourished him with honey from the rock....

14 with curds & milk from herd & flock....

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**Then Moses almost WAILS in SPEAKING this
Song over their treatment of God**



Deuteronomy 32:1-43 – **Song of Moses SPOKEN**

Unbelievable that after so much wandering ...

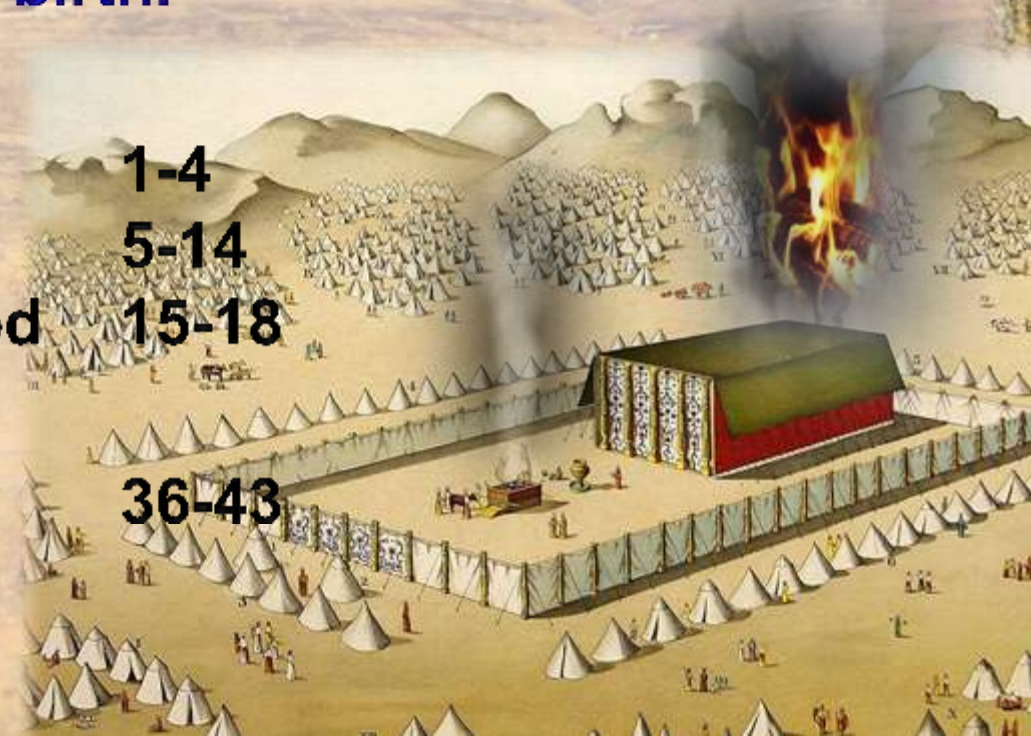
16 They made him jealous with their foreign gods....

17 They sacrificed to false gods, which are not God—
gods they had not known ... gods your ancestors did not fear.

18 You deserted the Rock, who fathered you;
you forgot the God who gave you birth.

Oh, Israel, Israel, Israel

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Deuteronomy 32:1-43 – **Song of Moses**

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19 The LORD saw this and rejected them....

20 “I will hide my face from them,” he said,
“and see what their end will be, for they are a perverse generation....

21-26 Moses unpacks severest judgments by God

21 They made me jealous by what is no god & angered....

22 ... fire will be kindled by my wrath ...
burns down to the realm of the dead below....
set afire the foundations of the mountains.

23-25 calamities ... famine ... plague ...
fangs of wild beasts ... vipers ... sword
in their homes terror will reign.



Deuteronomy 32:1-43 – **Song of Moses SPOKEN**

IV. God's Judgment 19-35

26-27 I said I would scatter them....

28 They are a nation without sense ... no discernment in them.

29 If only they were wise and would understand this...

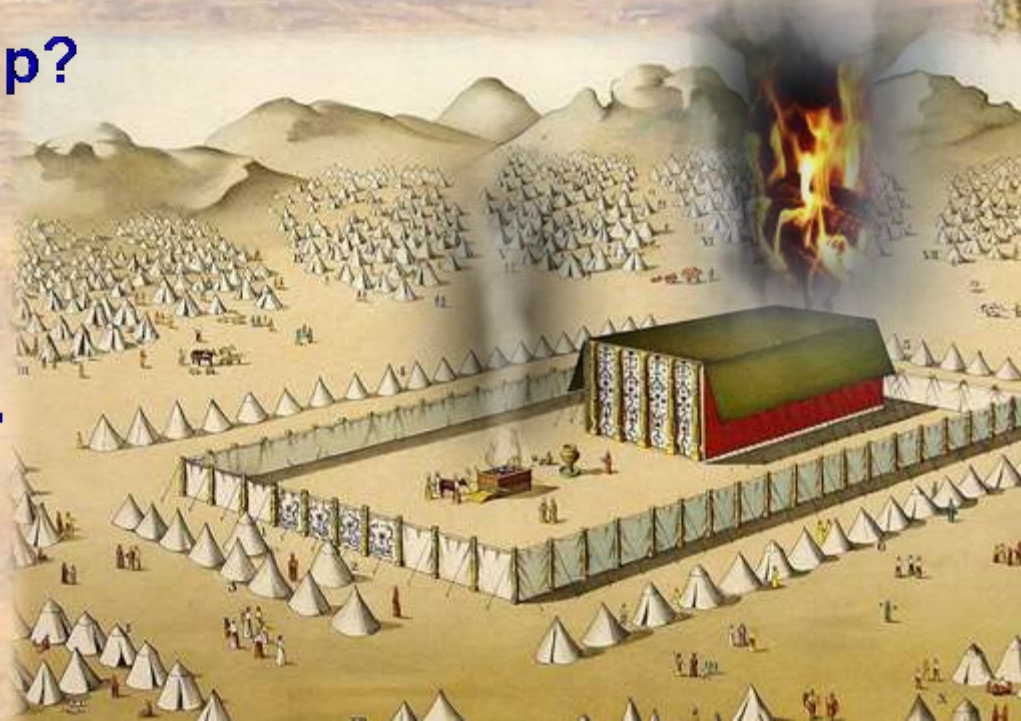
30 How could one man chase a thousand....
unless their Rock had sold them,
unless the LORD had given them up?

31-35 Moses SPEAKS his dear SONG
as if God speaks in remorse
over sedition in the church

33 Their wine is the venom of serpents....

34 "Have I not ... sealed it in my vaults?"

35 It is mine to avenge; I will repay....



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36 The LORD will vindicate his people ...
when he sees their strength is gone....

37-38 He will say:
“Now where are their gods,
Let them rise up to help you....

39 “**See NOW** that I myself am He!

These last four verses ring a kind of chorus

Ring a kind of “**I told you so**”

a Kind of “**You WILL see & REMEMBER**”



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V. God's Promise of Vindication

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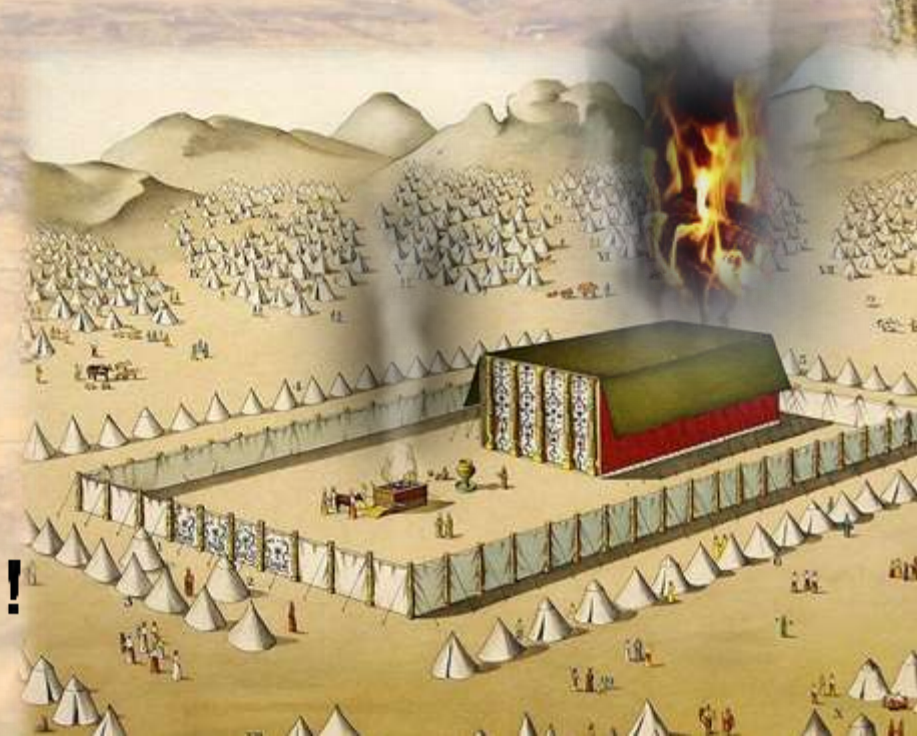
39 “See now that I myself am He!

**There is no god besides me. I put to death and I bring to life,
I have wounded and I will heal,
and no one can deliver out of my hand.**

**40 I lift my hand to heaven and solemnly swear:
As surely as I live forever,**

**41 when I sharpen my flashing sword
and my hand grasps it in judgment,
I will take vengeance on my adversaries
and repay those who hate me.**

**The SPOKEN words of this SONG
likely spoken with GRITTED TEETH!**



Deuteronomy 32:1-43 – **Song of Moses SPOKEN**

V. God's Promise of Vindication

36-43

More brutality to close this SONG that Moses *SPEAKS*

42 I will make my arrows drunk with blood,
while my sword devours flesh:

> *how serious Moses is SPEAKING of God's judgement on enemies*
the blood of the slain & the captives,
the heads of the enemy leaders.”

43 Rejoice, you nations, with His people,
for He will avenge the blood of His servants;
He will take vengeance on His enemies &
make atonement for His land & people.

What a SONG that Moses SPOKE

I suspect SPOKE solemnly with tear
in his eye and grit in his teeth



Sometimes, we just need to hear the **WORDS** of the **SONG**

It came upon the midnight clear,
that glorious song of old,
from angels bending near the earth
to touch their harps of gold:

"Peace on the earth, good will to men,
from heaven's all-gracious King."

The world in solemn stillness lay,
to hear the angels sing.

For lo! the days are hastening on,
by prophet seen of old,
when with the ever-circling years
shall come the time foretold

when peace shall over all the earth
its ancient splendors fling,

and the whole world send back the SONG
which now the angels SING.

**Merry Christmas
to One & ALL**

