

Deuteronomy 20: 1-20 Rules of War and Rules of the Heart 8/13/2023

More reasons to study Deuteronomy:

1. Gives the reasons behind the detailed commands of God.
2. It shows the uniqueness of Israel's laws compared to the surrounding nations.

Generous treatment of slaves. Generous treatment of the stranger, the fatherless, the widow, and the Levite. Gleaning left in the field for the poor. Generous treatment of those with loans and pledges. (No- interest loans and no holding collateral that one needed to stay warm or their tools they use to make money.) Generous treatment of hired servants. Fruit trees spared during siege. Roofs protected by guard rails. Kindness to animals practiced.

All this extra kindness is echoed in the NT so believers are to be concerned for others, and not get lost in their own interest. Philippians 2

(Summary of Chapter 19: 1-21) Refuge cities; No single witness can ruin your life; Lex talionis.

Other cultures did not have this exact fairness instilled in their laws. Their kings had the final say, and their laws not written down until the end of their reign in most cases. You could be in violation of a law and never know it! The next king merely keep the previous kings laws going.

Ex. The laws of installing a king in Israel focuses on all being equal brothers before the Lord and God having the final word. That is unlike other kingdoms. Ck. Deut. 17: 14-20

TEXT INTRO: Deut. 20 "seems" to be too gracious when considering a time of war!

Summary: The focus is to really seek God's approval before entering war; that men be spiritually prepared for war. God helped in supernatural ways in Israel's wars. Spoils of war had special rules attached to them so that the motives for the fighting are not confused. They had war at times to protect a live worth living. War is not the reason to live, but it is necessary in a fallen world.

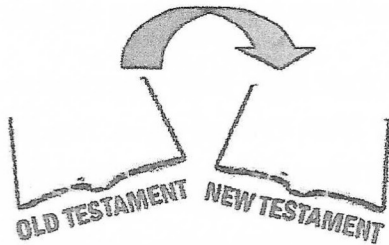
TEXT: 20:1 – 9 You would think this would thin the army out too much! But remember, the Lord can conquer by many or by few. The faith of the men involved is more important than weapons, or manpower, or strategy.

Conclude: We cannot "opt-out" of our battles. I John 4:4/5:4-5/Ephesians 6/I Cor. 16: 13-14

II Chronicles 32:7-8

% of the Old Testament Found in the New Testament

For whatever things were written before
were written for our learning, that we
through the patience and comfort of
the Scriptures might have hope.
Romans 15:4



BOOK	% OF O. T. REFERENCES		
Matthew	31%	310 in	1,071 verses
Mark	19%	131 in	678 verses
Luke	28%	328 in	1,151 verses
John	14%	129 in	890 verses
Acts	23%	231 in	1,006 verses
Romans	35%	153 in	433 verses
1 Corinthians	26%	115 in	437 verses
2 Corinthians	22%	57 in	257 verses
Galatians	19%	28 in	149 verses
Ephesians	30%	46 in	155 verses
Philippians	14%	15 in	104 verses
Colossians	10%	9 in	95 verses
1 Thessalonians	18%	16 in	89 verses
2 Thessalonians	34%	16 in	47 verses
1 Timothy	19%	22 in	113 verses
2 Timothy	14%	7 in	83 verses
Titus	15%	12 in	46 verses
Philemon	0%	0 in	25 verses
Hebrews	69%	210 in	303 verses
James	47%	51 in	108 verses
1 Peter	69%	72 in	105 verses
2 Peter	23%	14 in	61 verses
1 John	10%	10 in	105 verses
2 John	8%	10 in	13 verses
3 John	7%	1 in	14 verses
Jude	68%	17 in	25 verses
Revelation	150%	605 in	404 verses
TOTALS		2,606 of	7,967 verses

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- OLD TESTAMENT PROPHECIES ABOUT CHRIST MADE HUNDREDS OF YEARS BEFORE HE WAS BORN AS A MAN IN BETHLEHEM.
- NEARLY 200 FULFILLED IN CHRIST. LUKE 24:25-27

JESUS BACKED UP HIS CLAIM TO BE GOD THREE WAYS:

- ① HIS FULFILLMENT OF OLD TESTAMENT PROPHECIES
- ② HIS SINLESS AND MIRACULOUS LIFE
- ③ HIS RESURRECTION FROM THE DEAD