

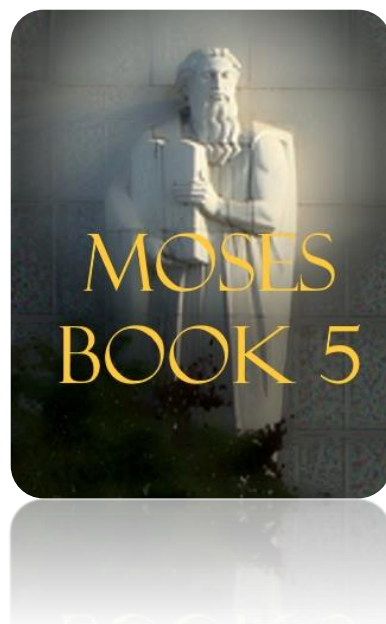
# DEUTERONOMY 12 vs 1

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Moses repeatedly reminded the people of the Lord God and His covenant of 10 commandments He wrote with His own hand; 10 and no more... which He hoped they would write on their hearts and minds... as well as teach their children; and speak about in their homes and along the way. He was not bringing them to possess a land promised to Abraham years earlier because they were a dominant powerhouse of greats among the nations; they were few in number; they were not more righteous and more upright than their neighbors; they were over-populated with stubborn jackasses at every step they made on their 40-year journey through the wilderness, so much so that the Lord was willing to destroy them and start over with Moses.

700 years later having rejected the 10 commands... as **Israel** prepared for Assyrian captivity, the Lord said: Though I wrote ten thousand, they are regarded as a strange thing -- Hosea 8; as **Judah** prepared for Babylonian captivity, He allowed them their onerous manmade traditions and said: So, I permitted them statutes that were not good, and judgments whereby they should not live -- Ezekiel 20.



But this is what Moses told the people of God... that they prosper and live long where they were to enter.

**<sup>1</sup> These are the statutes and judgments you will keep and do in the land that the LORD God of your forefathers gives you to possess, all the days you live on earth** / unfortunately most of the people of God, even the House of Judah do not do this; but rather like they did 2000 years ago when Messiah first came, they elevate the traditions of their elders found in their Talmud, over what the Lord God said in His Torah. But, this is what the Lord God told Moses; and Moses faithfully told the people.

**<sup>2</sup> You will utterly destroy all the places you will possess where the pagan nations served their gods, upon the high mountains, upon the hills, and under every green tree** / this is not done in Jerusalem today as religious clutter fills every corner of that ancient city; to preserve all those places, tokens of fallen man's historic record; there was no need to remember where fools once worked:

**<sup>3</sup> and overthrow their pagan altars, break their pillars; burn their groves with fire; cut down the graven images of their gods, and destroy their name from that place** / in our genius century bloated with political correctness, this verse will chafe: good; the Lord knows what is best to do.

**<sup>4</sup> You will not act like this toward the LORD your God.**

**<sup>5</sup> But seek Him in the place where the LORD your God chooses out of all your tribes to put His name for His habitation, and there you will come** / and this will never happen with the violent New World Order agenda instigated by Rome... determined to interrupt the promises of Isaiah, Jeremiah and others given to the House of Judah returning to the land first promised to Abraham:

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**6 And there bring your burnt offerings, your sacrifices, your tithes; the heave offerings of your hand, your choice offerings, and the first-born of your herds and of your flocks:**

**7 And there you and your household eat before the Lord your God, and rejoice in all your undertakings, in which the Lord your God has blessed you.**

**8 Do **not** do what we do here this day: **everyone whatever is right in his own eyes** /** which includes: preferring manmade traditions over the word of God,

**9 for you have **not** come to the place of rest -- the inheritance... which the Lord your God gives you /** and to this 21<sup>st</sup> century, they still have not come to their rest as they stubbornly refuse to be guided by the word and way of the Lord who first spoke to Abraham, Isaac and Jacob... blessing them.

**10 When you cross Jordan, and dwell in the land which the Lord your God gives you to inherit, and He gives you rest from all your enemies around you, so you dwell in safety;**

**11 then in the place the Lord your God will choose for His name to dwell; there bring all that I command you; your burnt offerings, your sacrifices, your tithes, and the heave offering of your hand, and all your choice offerings that you vow to the Lord:**

**12 And rejoice before the Lord your God, you and your sons, and your daughters, your male-servants and your female-servants, and the Levite who is within your gates; since he has no portion or inheritance with you /** don't forget the teacher of the word of God.

**13 Be careful **not** to offer your burnt offerings in every place that you see /** now days we should probably add: or in every religious looking and sounding place you hear or see on radio, TV or internet:

**14 But *only* in the place the Lord chooses in one of your tribes, there offer your burnt offerings, **and** there do all that I command you /** and He gave us 10 and no more; in the NT, nothing Jesus taught, diminished the importance of the 10 commands written by God; they are still perfectly good words to remind ourselves to do. Jesus said: whoever cancels one of the least of these commands and teaches others, shall be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but whoever keeps and teaches them... shall be called great in the kingdom -- **Matthew 5:18**. Does anyone want to argue with Jesus?

**15 However you may slaughter and eat meat within any of your gates, whatever you desire, according to the blessing of the Lord your God which He gives you: the unclean and the clean of you may eat, as of the gazelle and the deer /** meat was not a prominent part of their diet; the ceremonial **unclean** and **clean** alike were able to eat the specially prepared feasts; **and note, this is not talking about** eating **clean** or **unclean** animals -- most notably **pigs**... which were created to clean up the garbage left by mankind; now we know they ingest deadly microbes, pesticides, tape worms and viruses such as Ebola fatal to humans. So, **no**... don't eat unclean animals no matter how much we might love fried bacon... there still is no way to totally remove all those dangerous elements from the meat... which means their blood carries what can within days become a deadly and incurable timebomb for the eater.

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**<sup>16</sup> Only do **not** eat the blood;**

**you will pour it out on the ground as water** / Don't you thank our heavenly Father for telling this to us, without giving us some lengthy scientific lecture?

**<sup>17</sup> Do **not** eat within your gates the tithe of your corn, or new wine, or oil, or the first-born of your herds or flocks; or any of your choice offerings that you vow, or the heave offering of your hand:**

**<sup>18</sup> But eat before the Lord your God **in the place** where the Lord your God chooses; you and your sons, and your daughters, your male-servants and your female-servants, and the Levite who is within your gates; and rejoice before the Lord your God in all that you undertake.**

**<sup>19</sup> Be careful that you do **not** forsake the Levite as long as you live on the earth.**

**<sup>20</sup> When the LORD your God enlarges your border, as He promised you, and you say, I will eat meat, because you desire to eat meat; then, eat meat, whatever you desire** / unspoken is the reality that in the Garden of Eden, they ate fruits and vegetables – God created over 100,000 different fruit trees that are in the world today; if you ate fruit from 3 different trees every day of your life... and if you lived 70 years, then you would have only eaten fruit from 76,650 trees; not to mention all the berries and vines and vegetables that He also made. God loves variety. This verse reminds us, that He did not expect His people to be vegetarian; but if they were, they'd have enough variety... and they definitely would not have to worry about the issue of the blood in unclean animals.

**<sup>21</sup> **If** the place is too far from you, where the LORD your God chooses to put His name, **then** slaughter of your herd and flock which the LORD has given you, as I commanded you, and eat within your gates whatever you desire.**

**<sup>22</sup> As the gazelle and deer is eaten, so you eat: the unclean and the clean of you may eat.**

But for a second time, the Lord repeatedly warns His people:

**<sup>23</sup> Be sure, do **not** eat the blood: for the blood is the life; and you are **not** to eat the life with the flesh.**

**<sup>24</sup> Only do **not** eat the blood; pour it out on the ground as water.**

**<sup>25</sup> Do **not** eat it, in order that it may go well with you, and with your children after you, for you will do what is right in the sight of the LORD.**

**<sup>26</sup> Only your holy things which you have, and your choice offerings, you will take and go to the place where the LORD chooses.**

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<sup>27</sup> And offer burnt offerings, the flesh and the blood, on the altar of the LORD your God: and the blood of your sacrifices is poured out on the altar of the LORD your God, and you will eat the flesh.

<sup>28</sup> **Keep** and hear all these words which I command you, that it goes well with you and with your children after you forever / God lovingly says, these words are for our benefit,

for you will **do** what is **good and right in the sight of the LORD your God.**

<sup>29</sup> When the LORD your God cuts off the pagan nations before you, where you go to possess, and you succeed and dwell in the land;

<sup>30</sup> beware that you are **not** ensnared to follow them, after they are destroyed before you / these people carried with them endless diseases, including STDs; as well as sacrificed their children – which means they murdered them on their altars; something that goes on today in every country.

**Do not** enquire after their gods, saying: How did these pagan nations serve their gods, that I do likewise?

<sup>31</sup> **Do not** do so to the LORD your God: for every abomination to the LORD which He hates, they have done to their gods; for they even burn their sons and daughters in the fire to their gods.

<sup>32</sup> **Whatever I instruct you, keep and do** / and for a last time in the chapter looking out for our benefit, we are reminded the Lord gave His people 10 commands; children can learn what the Lord said:

1. Do not have other gods before Me.
2. Do not make graven images or idols to bow down and worship.
3. Do not take the name of the Lord your God in vain.
4. Keep the Sabbath and keep it holy; 6 days you can work; the 7<sup>th</sup> day is to rest and remember the Lord.
5. Honor your father and mother, that you live long and prosper in the land.
6. Do not murder.
7. Do not adulterate.
8. Do not steal.
9. Do not falsely accuse your neighbor.
10. Do not covet your neighbor's wife, or house, or cattle, workers, or anything that is your neighbors.

Deuteronomy. 5

Jesus said: Love God with all your heart and soul and strength; and love your neighbor as yourself:

**do not** add to it, or diminish from it.

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