/We will now begin the third lecture on the book of Deuteronomy./ The Word of God for today is Deuteronomy chapter 3./ The title of chapter three is "Og King of Bashan."/ First, defeating the Og king of Bashan and conquering his lands./ Verses 1-11./ Second, dividing the lands among the tribes of Reuben, Gad, and half tribes of Manasseh./ Verses 12-17.

/Third, the mission and duty of the Reubenites, Gadites, and half tribes of Manasseh./ Verses 18-20./ Fourth, Moses looking at the land of Canaan but not being able to enter it./ Verses 23-27./ Fifth, God appointing Joshua to be the successor of Moses./ Verses 28-29.

/Read verse 1./ Next we turned and went up along the road toward Bashan, and Og king of Bashan with his whole army marched out to meet us in battle at Edrei.

/Og king of Bashan went against the people of Israel./ The king of Bashan interrupted the salvation plan of the people of Israel.

/Read verse 2./ The LORD said to me, "Do not be afraid of him, for I have handed him over to you with his whole army and his land. Do to him what you did to Sihon king of the Amorites, who reigned in Heshbon."

/God told the people of Israel to not be afraid of Og king of Bashan./ This signifies that by the power of God, they can defeat Og king of Bashan./ Bashan is a vast land that is located on the east of Jordan.

/Northward is Mount Hermon./ Below Mount Hermon is an agricultural land. It is a land where grains can be abundantly farmed./ Og king of Bashan was a man with great physical build./ He also possessed about sixty towns.

/The capital, Edrei, where the king of Bashan stayed, was a fortified town./ God commanded the people of Israel to conquer Og king of Bashan./ Numbers 21:33-35./ God let the people of Israel defeat Og king of Bashan with his power.

/We must believe that however strong our enemies are, we can defeat them by the power of God.

/Read verse 6./ We completely destroyed them, as we had done with Sihon king of Heshbon, destroying every city--men, women and children.

/God commanded the people of Israel to completely destroy all the people and towns under the king of Bashan./ He even commanded them to kill all the children./ Deuteronomy 7:24/ 1 Samuel 15:3/ Jeremiah 48:10

/God judges with justice./ Because the king of Bashan had sinned, his nation was completely destroyed./ Because the people did not serve God but the idols, God judged them.

/Read verse 7./ But all the livestock and the plunder from their cities we carried off for ourselves.

/God allowed the people of Israel to possess all the lands of the king of Bashan./ If we fight a good fight and are victorious, there are a lot of benefits./ Judges 14:6-9

/Read verse 8./ So at that time we took from these two kings of the Amorites the territory east of the Jordan, from the Arnon Gorge as far as Mount Hermon.

/The word "Hermon" means "holy mountain" or "high peak."/ Mount Hermon is located on the northern side of Canaan./ The height of this mountain is 2,815 meters./ It is the highest mountain in the land of Canaan.

/Read verse 9./ (Hermon is called Sirion by the Sidonians; the Amorites call it Senir.)

/The Sidonians referred to Mount Hermon as Sirion./ The Amorites called it Senir./ Psalm 29:6/ Ezekiel 27:5

/Read verse 11./ (Only Og king of Bashan was left of the remnant of the Rephaites. His bed was made of iron and was more than thirteen feet long and six feet wide. It is still in Rabbah of the Ammonites.)

/Here, we can see the measurements of the bed of Og king of Bashan./ Through this, we can see that Og king of Bashan was of great physique./ Still, no matter how great our enemies may be, we can defeat them by the power of God./ We can even defeat Goliath.

/Read verse 12./ Of the land that we took over at that time, I gave the Reubenites and the Gadites the territory north of Aroer by the Arnon Gorge, including half the hill country of Gilead, together with its towns.

/Verse 13./ The rest of Gilead and also all of Bashan, the kingdom of Og, I gave to the half tribe of Manasseh. (The whole region of Argob in Bashan used to be known as a land of the Rephaites.

/God distributed the eastern sides of Jordan among the half tribes of Manasseh./ Originally, the eastern side of the Jordan River was land that was ruled by Og king of Bashan and Sihon king of Heshbon./ It was land that belonged to/ Og king of Bashan,/ and Sihon king of Heshbon.

/God allowed the Reubenites, Gadites and half tribes of Manasseh to live in the land that was originally ruled by those two nations./ The Reubenites, Gadites, and half tribes of Manasseh came to reside on the eastern side of Jordan./ Not only did God allow the people of Israel to conquer the land of Canaan, he allowed them to conquer the eastern land of Jordan.

/Read verse 15./ And I gave Gilead to Makir.

/"Makir" here refers to the descendants of Manasseh tribe.

/Read verse 18./ I commanded you at that time: "The LORD your God has given you this land to take possession of it. But all your able-bodied men, armed for battle, must cross over ahead of your brother Israelites.

/There were tribes that first received the inheritance on the eastern side of the Jordan./ They are the Reubenites, Gadites and the half tribes of Manasseh./ Therefore, they had to arm themselves and lead other tribes to conquer the land of Canaan.

/They had already received their inheritance in the eastern side of Jordan./ Yet, none of the brothers in the other tribes had entered the land of Canaan./ Therefore, these two tribes and the half tribe of Manasseh had to aid other tribes as they were conquering the land of Canaan.

/Those who have received the inheritance must take the lead./ The ones who have been saved have more responsibilities./ Those who have received more grace have greater responsibilities./ Luke 12:48

/We who have received more grace must lead and be loyal./ This means that faithful people must be at the front and be loyal.

/Read verse 20./ until the LORD gives rest to your brothers as he has to you, and they too have taken over the land that the LORD your God is giving them, across the Jordan. After that, each of you may go back to the possession I have given you."

/The Reubenites, Gadites, and the half tribes of Manasseh were commanded to work together until the other tribes had taken over their inheritance./ God said that he would help them./ He said that he would let them win over the two kings who ruled the eastern land of Jordan./ They defeated Sihon and Og.

/Even though there is a powerful king in the land of Canaan, he can be defeated./ For us, we must not be afraid of fighting the good fight of faith, but rather, we must trust and depend on God.

/Read verse 23./ At that time I pleaded with the LORD:

/In the past, God guided the people of Israel with his power./ As he guided them with his power, he would do the same when conquering the land of Canaan./ There is no god as powerful as our God in the entire universe./ God is the almighty God.

/Read verse 25./ Let me go over and see the good land beyond the Jordan--that fine hill country and Lebanon."

/Moses pleaded with the Lord to let him enter the land of Canaan./ Yet, God did not allow him to./ Moses struck the rock twice for water before God./ Numbers 20:10-12/ At that moment, Moses disobeyed the commandment of God.

/Moses hindered the glory of God./ Hence, he was not able to enter the land of Canaan./ Also, Moses symbolizes the law./ There is no one who will be saved through the law./ There is no one who can perfectly abide the law./ The law only teaches us of our sins.

/The law guides us to Christ./ Therefore, Moses symbolizes the law./ However, Joshua symbolizes Jesus./ "Joshua" in Greek is Jesus./ It has the same meaning./ It means "Savior."

/In Hebrew it is Joshua, and in Greek it is Jesus./ Jesus./ Both the names mean "Savior."/ We can enter heaven through faith in Jesus, who is the gospel./ Of course, Moses believed in Christ, who was to come at that time, and entered heaven.

/In the Old Testament period, people were not saved by keeping the law./ They were saved by believing in Christ who would come in the future./ In the New Testament period, people are saved by believing in Jesus Christ, who already came into this world./ People are saved through belief in Jesus Christ in both the Old Testament and New Testament periods.

/Read verse 27./ Go up to the top of Pisgah and look west and north and south and east. Look at the land with your own eyes, since you are not going to cross this Jordan.

/God told Moses to go up to the top of Pisgah and look west, north, south and east./ God commanded

Moses to look at the land of Canaan./ God said it was enough for Moses to see the land with his bear eyes./ God told Moses to stop asking for permission to enter the land.

/Likewise, the apostle Paul had a thorn in the flesh and prayed three times asking God to remove it, but God did not remove it./ 2 Corinthians 12:7-9.

/Read verses 28 and 29./ But commission Joshua, and encourage and strengthen him, for he will lead this people across and will cause them to inherit the land that you will see." So we stayed in the valley near Beth Peor.

/God commanded Moses to commission Joshua as the leader./ God ordered Moses to encourage and strengthen Joshua./ The leadership was shifted from Moses to Joshua, and God called Joshua to lead the people of Israel into the land of Canaan.

/Here, Mount Pisgah is Mount Nebo./ Joshua 13:20/ Deuteronomy 34:6/ Moses climbed up Mount Nebo and gazed upon the land of Canaan./ In today's passages, we can see that God allowed the people of Israel to defeat Og king of Bashan.

/Heshbon king of Sihon was defeated as well./ 2:24/ This land was then divided among the Reubenites, Gadites, and the half tribe of Manasseh./

/They received their inheritances earlier than others./ They were in the frontline when conquering Canaan./ As people who have first received grace, we must remain loyal.

/We will continue with the lecture on Deuteronomy chapter 4.

/The title of chapter 4 is "Refuge."/ First, follow the decrees and laws commanded by God./ Verses 1-8./ Second, do not forget the works of God and fear him./ Verses 9-10./ Third, follow the Ten Commandments./ Verses 11-14.

/Fourth, do not make any idols in any shapes./ Verses 15-28./ Fifth, return to God full heartedly in times of distress./ Verses 29-31.

/Sixth, remember God's great strength in the giving of the land./ Verses 32-40./ Seventh, three cities to the east of the Jordan./ Verses 41-43./ Eighth, the eastern land of the Jordan that the Israelites acquired./ Verses 44-49.

/Read verse 1./ Hear now, O Israel, the decrees and laws I am about to teach you. Follow them so that you may live and may go in and take possession of the land that the LORD, the God of your fathers, is giving you.

/God told the Israelites to follow the decrees and laws./ Here, "decrees" refer to regulations./ The word "laws" refer to the duties of man in his relationship with God./ For instance, the Ten Commandments is one example.

/Read verse 2./ Do not add to what I command you and do not subtract from it, but keep the commands of the LORD your God that I give you.

/It says that the Israelites must keep the commands of the Lord./ Commands are something we must rightfully follow./ God commanded Elijah to go to the Kerith Ravine./ God commanded Elijah to hide in

the Kerith Ravine./ 1 Kings 17:3/ God also told Elijah to go to Zarephath./ 1 Kings 17:9/ 17:9

/Jesus ordered the disciples not to leave Jerusalem./ Acts 1:4/ God told Abraham to leave his father's household./ Likewise, we must obey the commandments of God.

/Read verse 3./ You saw with your own eyes what the LORD did at Baal Peor. The LORD your God destroyed from among you everyone who followed the Baal of Peor,

/God commanded the Israelites not to serve Baal Peor./ "Baal Peor" is the "Baal of Peor."/ "Baal" is a god of harvest, cattle, and fertility./

/There was a time when the people of Israel fell into the trap of Balaam and served Baal Peor.

/Numbers 25:1-3/ At that time, God's wrath fell upon them and 24,000 people died./ However, those who obeyed the Word of God lived./ Moreover, they were blessed.

/Read verse 5./ See, I have taught you decrees and laws as the LORD my God commanded me, so that you may follow them in the land you are entering to take possession of it.

/Obedience according to the Word of God is wisdom.

/Read verse 6./ Observe them carefully, for this will show your wisdom and understanding to the nations, who will hear about all these decrees and say, "Surely this great nation is a wise and understanding people."

/The fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge./ Proverbs 1:7/ This verse is the greatest wisdom in the Bible./ If we simply walk according to Scripture, we can become wise./ Thus, we must let go of our worldly wisdom and receive the wisdom of God. / 1 Corinthians 1:27

/Read verse 7./ What other nation is so great as to have their gods near them the way the LORD our God is near us whenever we pray to him?

/God listens to our prayers every time we pray.

/Read verse 8./ And what other nation is so great as to have such righteous decrees and laws as this body of laws I am setting before you today?

/God gave the laws to the people of Israel./ He provided wisdom and laws on how to serve God./ God gave special wisdom to Joseph and Daniel.

/Read verse 9./ Only be careful, and watch yourselves closely so that you do not forget the things your eyes have seen or let them slip from your heart as long as you live. Teach them to your children and to their children after them.

/God said to watch yourselves closely and don't let the laws slip from your heart as long as you live./ This command was not only given to the current generation of the Israelites, but to the children and future generations as well.

/We must faithfully serve God and we must guide our children and grandchildren into faith./ Then our future generations will receive blessings as well.

Read verse 10./ Remember the day you stood before the LORD your God at Horeb, when he said to me, "Assemble the people before me to hear my words so that they may learn to revere me as long as they live in the land and may teach them to their children."

/God gave the Ten Commandments to Moses at Mount Horeb./ This was to teach the Israelites to fear the Lord./ Therefore, we must keep the Word of God with fear and trembling.

/Read verse 11./ You came near and stood at the foot of the mountain while it blazed with fire to the very heavens, with black clouds and deep darkness.

/God appeared through fire, with black clouds and deep darkness./ Although the people of Israel heard the voice of God, they couldn't see the image of God.

/Since God is Spirit, we cannot see him with our bear eyes./ 1 Timothy 6:16/ Therefore, we must not make an image of him and serve the image.

/Read verse 13./ He declared to you his covenant, the Ten Commandments, which he commanded you to follow and then wrote them on two stone tablets.

/God personally used his hands to write the Ten Commandments on two stone tablets./ Those who fear the Lord must keep the Ten Commandments./ The Ten Commandments contain the will of God./ Of course, we are not saved simply by following the Commandments./ There is no one who can perfectly follow the Commandments.

/Through the Commandments, one can realize that he is a sinner./ Then what is the purpose of the Ten Commandments?/ First, it is to make us become conscious of our sins./ Romans 3:20/ Second, it is to make us become conscious of our weaknesses and powerlessness./ Romans 8:3

/Third, it is to lead us to Christ and make us believe Christ./ Galatians 3:24/ Fourth, it is to make us become conscious of the will of God./ We are saved through faith in Jesus Christ.

/Also, we who have been saved by faith in Jesus Christ must obey the commandments of God./ We must not attempt to be saved by following the commandments./ Salvation comes from believing in Jesus Christ./ Therefore, we who have been saved must follow the commandments of God.

/We who have been saved must obey the Word of God./When we obey, God is delighted.

/Read verse 15./ You saw no form of any kind the day the LORD spoke to you at Horeb out of the fire. Therefore watch yourselves very carefully,

/God cannot be seen through our physical eyes./ Thus, God commands us not to make an image or figure and serve it./ We must not commit idolatry./ Also, we must not serve the sun, the moon, or the stars in the sky./ Job 31:25-28

/Read verse 20./ But as for you, the LORD took you and brought you out of the iron-smelting furnace, out of Egypt, to be the people of his inheritance, as you now are.

/God redeemed the Israelites from Egypt./ He allowed them to enter the land of Canaan./ However, those who did not obey the commandments of God were not able to enter the land of Canaan./ The promised land of God is only given to those who obey the commandments of God.

/Read verse 22./ I will die in this land; I will not cross the Jordan; but you are about to cross over and take possession of that good land.

/If we obey the commandments of God, we can enter the land of Canaan./ Hence, we must not serve idols but only serve God.

/Read verses 23 and 24./ Be careful not to forget the covenant of the LORD your God that he made with you; do not make for yourselves an idol in the form of anything the LORD your God has forbidden. For the LORD your God is a consuming fire, a jealous God.

/God is a consuming fire./ He condemns sins./ He is a jealous God./ The word "jealousy" here does not refer to jealousy that results from greediness./ God is a jealous God because he loves us immeasurably.

/When his beloved children are led astray by useless things, God feels pain in his heart./ Therefore, we must not chase after pointless things./ 1 Samuel 15:23/ Colossians 3:5

/We must not idolize anything in this world./ An idol is something we rely on and chase after more than God.

/Read verse 25./ After you have had children and grandchildren and have lived in the land a long time--if you then become corrupt and make any kind of idol, doing evil in the eyes of the LORD your God and
provoking him to anger,

/Whoever commits idolatry will lean towards evil, and he or she will be judged by God./ In verse 26, it says that we will quickly perish if we serve idols./ It is also written that we will be taken captive by other nations when we begin to serve idols.

/Committing idolatry will lead to judgment from God./ Thus, we must obey the commandments of God and solely serve him.

/Read verse 29./ But if from there you seek the LORD your God, you will find him if you look for him with all your heart and with all your soul.

/However, even if we are captivated by other nations, once we truly seek God and ask for his forgiveness, we will be redeemed./ If we truly seek God with all our hearts, God will meet us./ Jeremiah 29:13-14/ Thus, we should have faith like Joseph.

/Read verse 32./ Ask now about the former days, long before your time, from the day God created man on the earth; ask from one end of the heavens to the other. Has anything so great as this ever happened, or has anything like it ever been heard of?

/God is the Creator of all things./ He is a God who speaks to us in the midst of fire./ God is still alive today./ He is in control of every persons' lives./ There is no other god other than our God.

/Read verse 35./ You were shown these things so that you might know that the LORD is God; besides him there is no other.

/Only our God is the true God./ He is God of power, of love, and of compassion.

/Read verse 36./ From heaven he made you hear his voice to discipline you. On earth he showed you his

great fire, and you heard his words from out of the fire.

/God spoke to the people of Israel./ He revealed himself to them./ God revealed his good will to them.

/Read verse 37./ Because he loved your forefathers and chose their descendants after them, he brought you out of Egypt by his Presence and his great strength,

/Also, God loved Israel./ He chose them./ With his power he personally guided them to the land of Canaan./ Therefore, we must be grateful that God chose us, loves us, and guides us.

/Read verse 38./ Because he loved your forefathers and chose their descendants after them, he brought you out of Egypt by his Presence and his great strength,

/That is why God will lead the people of Israel to the land of Canaan./ God is saying that he would give land to the Israelites./ He is saying that he would give them an inheritance./ God would bless them if they keep his commandments.

/Read verse 40./ Keep his decrees and commands, which I am giving you today, so that it may go well with you and your children after you and that you may live long in the land the LORD your God gives you for all time.

/When we obey the commandments of God, we and our children receive blessings./ Our descendants will receive blessings as well./ God promised that the Israelites would live long lives in the promised land./ He is promising us the blessing of long life.

/Read verse 41./ Then Moses set aside three cities east of the Jordan,

/God said to set aside three cities to the east of the Jordan./ Verse 43 says the three cities are Bezer, Ramoth in Gilead, Golan in Bashan./ They are the three cities to the east of the Jordan./ There were three cities in the land of Canaan as well./ Joshua 20:7

/These cities were the residence for murderers who fled to these locations after having committed unintentional murder. We are all sinners./ However, these cities symbolize Jesus Christ./ Jesus is the spiritual refuge./ We are all destined to die due to our sins.

/Yet, we may live if we go to Jesus Christ who is our refuge./ By believing Jesus, we are redeemed from death and sin./ Also, we receive eternal life through Jesus Christ.

/Read verse 44./ This is the law Moses set before the Israelites.

/This was the law given to the Israelites by God.

/Read verse 45./ These are the stipulations, decrees and laws Moses gave them when they came out of Egypt

/God gave the Israelites the decrees and laws through Moses.

/Read verse 46./ and were in the valley near Beth Peor east of the Jordan, in the land of Sihon king of the Amorites, who reigned in Heshbon and was defeated by Moses and the Israelites as they came out of Egypt.

/The Israelites defeated Sihon king of Heshbon in the east side of the Jordan./ Then God gave that land as inheritance to the people of Israel.

/Read verse 47./ They took possession of his land and the land of Og king of Bashan, the two Amorite kings east of the Jordan.

/God allowed the people of Israel to defeat and conquer Og king of Bashan./ Then the people of Israel possessed the land of Og,/ and that land was distributed among the people of Israel.

/As stated earlier, the lands of Sihon the king of Heshbon and Og the king of Bashan were distributed among the Reubenites, Gadites, and Manassites./ They are the tribes of Reuben, Gad, and Manasseh.

/Read verse 48./ This land extended from Aroer on the rim of the Arnon Gorge to Mount Siyon (that is, Hermon),

/Read verse 49./ and included all the Arabah east of the Jordan, as far as the Sea of the Arabah, below the slopes of Pisgah.

/They possessed the lands surrounding Mount Hermon. That is, the lands to the east of the Jordan were all conquered by the Israelites./ This is the land located below Mount Hermon, which is in the east side of the Jordan.

/By the power of God, this entire land was conquered by the people of Israel.

/The power of God can defeat even the strongest of enemies./ We can receive every blessing God intends to give us./ Therefore, we must be believers who obey the commands and words of God.

/With this, we will conclude the third lecture on the book of Deuteronomy./ Thank you.