

## Deuteronomy 4-5 Call to Obedience Lesson 2

Moses, after reminding Israel of the key events that had brought them to this point, continued his first speech. With passion, he called Israel to obey God so they could enter and live in the Promised Land. His call was based on past actions, on the choices they had made and the choices they would face in the future, but most importantly, it was based upon the character of God.

### **Obedience commanded - Chapter 4**

1. Moses began with, "*Hear now, O Israel...*" What does the word "hear" imply in this context? (vs. 1-4)
  - Jesus addressed His followers in John 14:21. How does this apply to believers today?
2. What effect would obedience to God's Laws have on the nations around them? (vs. 6-8)
3. Moses gave several warnings on how and why Israel was to obey. List them. (vs. 9-14)
4. How did God make His presence known to Israel when He gave His commandments? (Exodus 19:16-19)
5. What was God's first commandment? (Exodus 20:3)
6. Please explain, in your own words, what Moses was saying in 4:15-19.
7. Moses passionately implored Israel to remember who they were and the character of God. What was Moses emphasizing (vs. 20-24)

8. After warning Israel about idolatry, Moses then prophesized what would happen in future generations. At this point, however, it was still a warning. What was Moses warning them not to do, and to do? (vs. 25-32)
  
9. What do verses 33 and 34 say God had done for Israel?
  
10. Why did God do this? (vs. 35)
  
11. There are several action words describing what God did and what Israel was to do in response. Please fill in the chart below using verses 36 - 40.

God's Action	What Israel's response should be & the results

12. Moses' second speech to Israel begins in verse 44. What was the topic? (vs. 44-49)

**The 10 Commandments - Chapter 5**

13. How did Moses begin this address? (vs. 1)
  
14. What new information did Moses add to his introduction? (vs. 2-5)
  
15. Why do you think the 10 Commandments were introduced with the words "*I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of Egypt, out of the land of slavery.*"?

16. Briefly list the 10 Commandments, then comment on how you think these would impact our society today if people followed them.

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17. What emotions did the people feel when they came near to God? (vs. 22-31)
18. Once again Moses warned Israel to be careful. What were they to be careful of, and what was the benefit? (vs. 32-33)
19. What was the intention of the people? (vs. 27)
20. According to Judges 2:1-5 what happened to their good intentions?

**Think about it!**

*"Be careful to do what the LORD your God has commanded you; do not turn aside to the right or to the left. Walk in all the way that the LORD your God has commanded you, so that you may live and prosper and prolong your days."* Though Moses spoke those words over 3,000 years ago to Israel, they still apply to you and me today. If we are to live contented, successful lives then we must be careful to do what is written in the Bible. The ancient people of Israel were afraid to come close to such an awesome God. They had seen first hand His power and might. Yet, God spoke directly to one man, Moses, face to face, in order that His words would be presented clearly to His people.

You and I do not have that first hand experience with God's awesome power that Israel had, nor can we speak face to face with Him. But God has given us His word through the Bible, which you and I can hold in our hands. Israel had Moses to explain and encourage them, but we have God Himself in the form of the Holy Spirit that lives within each and every Believer. Take warning, Hear, O Christian, the Word of the Lord. Listen and obey!