

# MARCH 1

## Read Deuteronomy 25–27

### CHAPTER 25

**I**F there be a controversy between men, and they come unto judgment, that *the judges* may judge them; then they shall justify the righteous, and condemn the wicked.

2 And it shall be, if the wicked man *be* worthy to be beaten, that the judge shall cause him to lie down, and to be beaten before his face, according to his fault, by a certain number.

3 Forty stripes he may give him, *and* not exceed: lest, *if* he should exceed, and beat him above these with many stripes, then thy brother should seem vile unto thee.

4 ¶ Thou shalt not muzzle the ox when he treadeth out *the corn*.

5 ¶ If brethren dwell together, and one of them die, and have no child, the wife of the dead shall not marry without unto a stranger: her husband's brother shall go in unto her, and take her to him to wife, and perform the duty of an husband's brother unto her.

6 And it shall be, *that* the first-

born which she beareth shall succeed in the name of his brother *which is* dead, that his name be not put out of Israel.

7 And if the man like not to take his brother's wife, then let his brother's wife go up to the gate unto the elders, and say, My husband's brother refuseth to raise up unto his brother a name in Israel, he will not perform the duty of my husband's brother.

8 Then the elders of his city shall call him, and speak unto him: and *if* he stand *to it*, and say, I like not to take her;

9 Then shall his brother's wife come unto him in the presence of the elders, and loose his shoe from off his foot, and spit in his face, and shall answer and say, So shall it be done unto that man that will not build up his brother's house.

10 And his name shall be called in Israel, The house of him that hath his shoe loosed.

11 ¶ When men strive together one with another, and the wife of the one draweth near for to deliver

her husband out of the hand of him that smiteth him, and putteth forth her hand, and taketh him by the secrets:

12 Then thou shalt cut off her hand, thine eye shall not pity *her*.

13 ¶ Thou shalt not have in thy bag divers weights, a great and a small.

14 Thou shalt not have in thine house divers measures, a great and a small.

15 *But* thou shalt have a perfect and just weight, a perfect and just measure shalt thou have: that thy days may be lengthened in the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee.

16 For all that do such things, *and* all that do unrighteously, *are* an abomination unto the LORD thy God.

17 ¶ Remember what Amalek did unto thee by the way, when ye were come forth out of Egypt;

18 How he met thee by the way, and smote the hindmost of thee, *even* all *that were* feeble behind thee, when thou *wast* faint and weary; and he feared not God.

19 Therefore it shall be, when the LORD thy God hath given thee rest from all thine enemies round about, in the land which the LORD

thy God giveth thee *for* an inheritance to possess it, *that* thou shalt blot out the remembrance of Amalek from under heaven; thou shalt not forget *it*.

## CHAPTER 26

**A**ND it shall be, when thou *art* come in unto the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee *for* an inheritance, and possessest it, and dwellest therein;

2 That thou shalt take of the first of all the fruit of the earth, which thou shalt bring of thy land that the LORD thy God giveth thee, and shalt put *it* in a basket, and shalt go unto the place which the LORD thy God shall choose to place his name there.

3 And thou shalt go unto the priest that shall be in those days, and say unto him, I profess this day unto the LORD thy God, that I am come unto the country which the LORD sware unto our fathers for to give us.

4 And the priest shall take the basket out of thine hand, and set it down before the altar of the LORD thy God.

5 And thou shalt speak and say before the LORD thy God, A Syrian ready to perish *was* my father, and he went down into Egypt, and

sojourned there with a few, and became there a nation, great, mighty, and populous:

6 And the Egyptians evil entreated us, and afflicted us, and laid upon us hard bondage:

7 And when we cried unto the LORD God of our fathers, the LORD heard our voice, and looked on our affliction, and our labour, and our oppression:

8 And the LORD brought us forth out of Egypt with a mighty hand, and with an outstretched arm, and with great terribleness, and with signs, and with wonders:

9 And he hath brought us into this place, and hath given us this land, *even* a land that floweth with milk and honey.

10 And now, behold, I have brought the firstfruits of the land, which thou, O LORD, hast given me. And thou shalt set it before the LORD thy God, and worship before the LORD thy God:

11 And thou shalt rejoice in every good *thing* which the LORD thy God hath given unto thee, and unto thine house, thou, and the Levite, and the stranger that *is* among you.

12 ¶ When thou hast made an end of tithing all the tithes of thine

increase the third year, *which is* the year of tithing, and hast given *it* unto the Levite, the stranger, the fatherless, and the widow, that they may eat within thy gates, and be filled;

13 Then thou shalt say before the LORD thy God, I have brought away the hallowed things out of *mine* house, and also have given them unto the Levite, and unto the stranger, to the fatherless, and to the widow, according to all thy commandments which thou hast commanded me: I have not transgressed thy commandments, neither have I forgotten *them*:

14 I have not eaten thereof in my mourning, neither have I taken away *ought* thereof for *any* unclean use, nor given *ought* thereof for the dead: *but* I have hearkened to the voice of the LORD my God, *and* have done according to all that thou hast commanded me.

15 Look down from thy holy habitation, from heaven, and bless thy people Israel, and the land which thou hast given us, as thou swarest unto our fathers, a land that floweth with milk and honey.

16 ¶ This day the LORD thy God hath commanded thee to do these statutes and judgments: thou shalt

therefore keep and do them with all thine heart, and with all thy soul.

17 Thou hast avouched the LORD this day to be thy God, and to walk in his ways, and to keep his statutes, and his commandments, and his judgments, and to hearken unto his voice:

18 And the LORD hath avouched thee this day to be his peculiar people, as he hath promised thee, and that *thou* shouldest keep all his commandments;

19 And to make thee high above all nations which he hath made, in praise, and in name, and in honour; and that thou mayest be an holy people unto the LORD thy God, as he hath spoken.

## CHAPTER 27

**A**ND Moses with the elders of Israel commanded the people, saying, Keep all the commandments which I command you this day.

2 And it shall be on the day when ye shall pass over Jordan unto the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee, that thou shalt set thee up great stones, and plaister them with plaister:

3 And thou shalt write upon them all the words of this law, when thou art passed over, that thou mayest go in unto the land

which the LORD thy God giveth thee, a land that floweth with milk and honey; as the LORD God of thy fathers hath promised thee.

4 Therefore it shall be when ye be gone over Jordan, *that* ye shall set up these stones, which I command you this day, in mount Ebal, and thou shalt plaister them with plaister.

5 And there shalt thou build an altar unto the LORD thy God, an altar of stones: thou shalt not lift up *any* iron *tool* upon them.

6 Thou shalt build the altar of the LORD thy God of whole stones: and thou shalt offer burnt offerings thereon unto the LORD thy God:

7 And thou shalt offer peace offerings, and shalt eat there, and rejoice before the LORD thy God.

8 And thou shalt write upon the stones all the words of this law very plainly.

9 ¶ And Moses and the priests the Levites spake unto all Israel, saying, Take heed, and hearken, O Israel; this day thou art become the people of the LORD thy God.

10 Thou shalt therefore obey the voice of the LORD thy God, and do his commandments and his statutes, which I command thee this day.

11 ¶ And Moses charged the people the same day, saying,

12 These shall stand upon mount Gerizim to bless the people, when ye are come over Jordan; Simeon, and Levi, and Judah, and Issachar, and Joseph, and Benjamin:

13 And these shall stand upon mount Ebal to curse; Reuben, Gad, and Asher, and Zebulun, Dan, and Naphtali.

14 ¶ And the Levites shall speak, and say unto all the men of Israel with a loud voice,

15 Cursed *be* the man that maketh *any* graven or molten image, an abomination unto the LORD, the work of the hands of the craftsman, and putteth *it* in a secret *place*. And all the people shall answer and say, Amen.

16 Cursed *be* he that setteth light by his father or his mother. And all the people shall say, Amen.

17 Cursed *be* he that removeth his neighbour's landmark. And all the people shall say, Amen.

18 Cursed *be* he that maketh the blind to wander out of the way.

And all the people shall say, Amen.

19 Cursed *be* he that perverteth the judgment of the stranger, fatherless, and widow. And all the people shall say, Amen.

20 Cursed *be* he that lieth with his father's wife; because he uncovereth his father's skirt. And all the people shall say, Amen.

21 Cursed *be* he that lieth with any manner of beast. And all the people shall say, Amen.

22 Cursed *be* he that lieth with his sister, the daughter of his father, or the daughter of his mother. And all the people shall say, Amen.

23 Cursed *be* he that lieth with his mother in law. And all the people shall say, Amen.

24 Cursed *be* he that smiteth his neighbour secretly. And all the people shall say, Amen.

25 Cursed *be* he that taketh reward to slay an innocent person. And all the people shall say, Amen.

26 Cursed *be* he that confirmeth not *all* the words of this law to do them. And all the people shall say, Amen.

## DEVOTIONAL COMMENTS

Chapter 25 continues the various laws given to the children of Israel. It covers laws of corporal punishment (verses 1-3); the law concerning the ox (verse 4); the brother-in-law's marriage (verses 5-10); prescriptions against foul play (verses 11,12); dishonest weights (verses 13-16); and the doom upon Amalek (verses 17-19). Take special note of verse 4—the ox was to be allowed to take a chance mouthful of corn as it went around the monotonous tread of the mill. What an encouragement this should be for those who are anxious about their daily bread! If God takes care of even the oxen, surely He will care for those who trust and serve Him!

Chapter 26 covers the offering of firstfruits (verses 1-11), and obedience and prayer (verses 12-19). Possession of the Promised Land is anticipated in these verses. The beautiful ceremony described here anticipated presentation of the firstfruits to the Lord at the central sanctuary, a token of praise, worship, and thanksgiving to the Lord for His faithfulness and blessing. The obedience and prayer in verses 12-19 resulted in blessing.

Chapter 27 is the first of four chapters that deal with Israel's future and covers the blessings and curses of the laws. Its fulfillment can be found in Joshua 8:30-35. This ceremony was to be inaugurated on Mt. Ebal and Mt. Gerizim, overlooking the city of Shechem, in the heart of the land. The memorial stones were to be set up on Mt. Ebal, and the curses of the law were to be pronounced there. On Mt. Gerizim there were no curses pronounced nor any stones engraved with the law, but only blessings pronounced.

## PROVERB FOR TODAY

“Turn you at my reproof: behold, I will pour out my spirit unto you, I will make known my words unto you” (Proverbs 1:23).

## TREASURE PATH TO SOUL WINNING

**ASSIGNMENT 9:** For today's memory verses, follow instructions on page 9.

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO

**HELEN WILLIAMS**

**BOBBY BALL**

## HYMN FOR TODAY

### BRING THEM IN

by Alexcenah Thomas, 19th century

During this month our attention is often focused

on the ministry of our Sunday schools. The Sunday school has been the church's chief agency for reaching and teaching children for the past two centuries. It would be impossible to measure the extent of its spiritual influence during that time.

The Sunday school movement began in England during the lifetime of Robert Raikes (1736-1811), who was often called the “founder of the modern Sunday school.” Raikes became intensely concerned with the spiritual and social conditions of the great masses of poor illiterate children. Since education was reserved for the wealthy, four out of five poor children had no schooling. Child labor was shamefully exploited. In the midst of these conditions Raikes began taking children off the streets and teaching them biblical truths as well as the ability to read and write.

Later the followers of John and Charles Wesley, the Methodists, began establishing Sunday schools, first in England and then in America following the Revolutionary War. Still later the Sunday school movement was encouraged further by the founding of the American Sunday School Union in 1824. As this concern for children developed, it became apparent to Christian leaders that music is a natural means for working with children, since most children respond readily to musical activities. This desire to reach and teach children for Christ through appropriate songs was one of the important factors that led to the rise of the gospel song movement during the latter half of the 19th century.

“Bring Them In” has been widely used since being published in 1885 by its composer William Ogden, who was known for his work with children's music.

*Hark! 'tis the Shepherd's voice I hear, out in the desert  
dark and drear,  
calling the sheep who've gone astray far from the  
Shepherd's fold away.*

*Who'll go and help this Shepherd king, help Him the  
wand'ring one to find?  
Who'll bring the lost ones to the fold where they'll be  
sheltered from the cold?*

*Out in the desert hear their cry, out on the mountains  
wild and high.  
Hark! 'tis the Master speaks to thee, “Go find my sheep  
where'er they be.”*

### **Chorus:**

*Bring them in, bring them in, bring them in from the*

*fields of sin;  
bring them in, bring them in, bring the wand'ring ones  
to Jesus.*

## **ON THIS DATE IN HISTORY**

**588 B.C.**

**EZEKIEL PROPHESED AGAINST EGYPT.**

Ezekiel 32:1.

**515 B.C.**

**THE APPROXIMATE DATE THAT HAMAN  
BEGAN HIS ATTACK ON ISRAEL BEFORE  
AHASUERUS.** Esther 3:7,8

**1803**

**OHIO WAS ADMITTED TO THE UNION.**

Let us thank God for the Christian testimony in Ohio and let us pray for His blessings upon Christians and Christian workers in this great state.

**1867**

**NEBRASKA WAS ADMITTED TO THE UNION.**

Pray for Christians and for missionary workers in Nebraska.

**APPROXIMATE DATE OF THE BEGINNING OF  
THE HEBREW FAST OF ESTHER.**

As you know Esther was the lady used of God to save the Jews from destruction. Though Esther is the only book in the Bible where God is not mentioned, there are few books in the Bible where the hand of God is more obvious and the workings of God are more visible. Esther was a young woman dedicated to God to do His will. Pray for young women whom you know today. Pray for your daughter or for other young women with whom you have contact and over whom you have influence. There is a great need today for womanhood to be re-established. These are days when girls want to talk like men, dress like men, hold men's jobs, have men's haircuts, etc. Pray for womanhood and especially for God's blessings upon young ladies.

**1932**

**CHARLES A. LINDBERGH, JR.  
WAS KIDNAPPED.**

Many Americans who have lived a little longer than others still remember this tragic story.

**ON THIS DATE IN  
AFRICAN-AMERICAN HISTORY**

**1841**

**BLANCHE KELSO BRUCE,** first black to serve a

full term in the United States Senate was born a slave in Prince Edward County, Virginia.

**1867**

**HOWARD UNIVERSITY, WASHINGTON, D.C.,  
CHARTED.**

**1871**

**J. MILTON TURNER NAMED MINISTER TO  
LIBERIA** and became the first black diplomat accredited to an African country. James W. Mason was named minister in March, 1870, but never traveled to his post.

**1875**

**CIVIL RIGHTS BILL ENACTED BY CONGRESS.** Bill gave blacks the right to equal treatment in inns, public conveyances, theaters and other places of public amusement.

**1949**

**JOE LOUIS RETIRED AS HEAVYWEIGHT BOX-  
ING CHAMPION** after holding the title for a record eleven years and eight months.

**1960**

**THROUGH THE 30TH, ONE THOUSAND  
ALABAMA STATE STUDENTS** marched on state capitol and held protest meeting.

**ALABAMA STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION  
EXPELLED NINE ALABAMA STATE STUDENTS** for participating in sit-in demonstrations.

**POPE JOHN ELEVATED BISHOP LAURIAN  
RUGAMBWA OF TANGANYIKA TO COLLEGE  
OF CARDINALS,** the first black cardinal in the modern era.

**MONTGOMERY, ALA., POLICE BROKE UP  
PROTEST DEMONSTRATION** on Alabama State campus and arrested thirty-five students, a teacher and her husband.

**POLICE USED TEAR GAS** to break up student protest demonstration at Tallahassee, Florida.

**SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS, BECAME FIRST  
MAJOR SOUTHERN CITY** to integrate lunch counters.

**FOUR NATIONAL CHAIN STORES** announced on

October 17 that counters in about 150 stores in 112 cities in North Carolina, Virginia, West Virginia, Kentucky, Texas, Tennessee, Missouri, Maryland, Florida and Oklahoma had been integrated.

**ASSOCIATED PRESS REPORTED** that more than one thousand blacks had been arrested in sit-in demonstrations.

**EIGHTEEN STUDENTS SUSPENDED BY SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY.** Southern University students rebelled March 31, boycotted classes and requested withdrawal slips. Rebellion collapsed after death of professor from heart attack.

**1967**  
**U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES EXPELLED REP. ADAM CLAYTON POWELL JR.** by a vote of 307 to 116. Civil rights leaders said Powell was ousted because of his race.

**1971**  
**DEFENSE DEPARTMENT LIMITED ELECTRONIC SURVEILLANCE** after disclosure of "civil disturbance information collection plan" which directed the gathering of information on civil rights groups.

**1963**  
**THROUGH THE 30TH, EMANCIPATION CENTENNIAL PROTEST BEGAN** with voter registration campaign in Greenwood, Mississippi.

**CARL T. ROWAN NAMED AMBASSADOR OF FINLAND.**

**AIR FORCE CAPTAIN EDWARD J. DWIGHT JR. NAMED TO FOURTH CLASS OF AEROSPACE RESEARCH PILOTS** at Edwards Air Base and became the first black astronaut candidate. He was dropped from the program in 1965.



# The Treasure Path to Soul Winning

## MEMORY VERSE TOPIC FOR THIS WEEK:

### GOD'S GREAT DESIRE

(Assignment 9)

Please recite all three components of each of these five verses aloud, five times each morning, and five times each evening, for seven days. The three components of each verse are: Subject, Scripture Reference, and Scripture Text. (For more details, see "The Treasure Path to Soul Winning" link back on the DailyKJV page.)

#### **That none should perish.**

( ) 2 Peter 3:9

The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is long-suffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance.

#### **That none be condemned.**

( ) John 3:17 (John 5:24; 8:11)

For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him might be saved.

#### **So He calls him.**

( ) Genesis 3:9

And the Lord God called unto Adam, and said unto him, Where art thou?

#### **He seeks him.**

( ) Luke 19:10

For the Son of man is come to seek and to save that which was lost.

#### **He loves him.**

( ) 1 John 4:10

Herein is love, not that we loved God, but that he loved us, and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins.