MARCH 2 Read Deuteronomy 28–30

CHAPTER 28

AND it shall come to pass, if thou shalt hearken diligently unto the voice of the LORD thy God, to observe *and* to do all his commandments which I command thee this day, that the LORD thy God will set thee on high above all nations of the earth:

- 2 And all these blessings shall come on thee, and overtake thee, if thou shalt hearken unto the voice of the LORD thy God.
- 3 Blessed *shalt* thou *be* in the city, and blessed *shalt* thou *be* in the field.
- 4 Blessed *shall be* the fruit of thy body, and the fruit of thy ground, and the fruit of thy cattle, the increase of thy kine, and the flocks of thy sheep.
- 5 Blessed *shall be* thy basket and thy store.
- 6 Blessed *shalt* thou *be* when thou comest in, and blessed *shalt* thou *be* when thou goest out.
- 7 The LORD shall cause thine enemies that rise up against thee to be smitten before thy face: they

shall come out against thee one way, and flee before thee seven ways.

- 8 The LORD shall command the blessing upon thee in thy store-houses, and in all that thou settest thine hand unto; and he shall bless thee in the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee.
- 9 The LORD shall establish thee an holy people unto himself, as he hath sworn unto thee, if thou shalt keep the commandments of the LORD thy God, and walk in his ways.
- 10 And all people of the earth shall see that thou art called by the name of the LORD; and they shall be afraid of thee.
- 11 And the LORD shall make thee plenteous in goods, in the fruit of thy body, and in the fruit of thy cattle, and in the fruit of thy ground, in the land which the LORD sware unto thy fathers to give thee.
- 12 The LORD shall open unto thee his good treasure, the heaven to give the rain unto thy land in his season, and to bless all the work of

thine hand: and thou shalt lend unto many nations, and thou shalt not borrow.

- 13 And the LORD shall make thee the head, and not the tail; and thou shalt be above only, and thou shalt not be beneath; if that thou hearken unto the commandments of the LORD thy God, which I command thee this day, to observe and to do *them*:
- 14 And thou shalt not go aside from any of the words which I command thee this day, *to* the right hand, or *to* the left, to go after other gods to serve them.
- 15 ¶ But it shall come to pass, if thou wilt not hearken unto the voice of the LORD thy God, to observe to do all his commandments and his statutes which I command thee this day; that all these curses shall come upon thee, and overtake thee:
- 16 Cursed *shalt* thou *be* in the city, and cursed *shalt* thou *be* in the field.
- 17 Cursed *shall be* thy basket and thy store.
- 18 Cursed *shall be* the fruit of thy body, and the fruit of thy land, the increase of thy kine, and the flocks of thy sheep.
 - 19 Cursed shalt thou be when

- thou comest in, and cursed *shalt* thou *be* when thou goest out.
- 20 The LORD shall send upon thee cursing, vexation, and rebuke, in all that thou settest thine hand unto for to do, until thou be destroyed, and until thou perish quickly; because of the wickedness of thy doings, whereby thou hast forsaken me.
- 21 The LORD shall make the pestilence cleave unto thee, until he have consumed thee from off the land, whither thou goest to possess it.
- 22 The LORD shall smite thee with a consumption, and with a fever, and with an inflammation, and with an extreme burning, and with the sword, and with blasting, and with mildew; and they shall pursue thee until thou perish.
- 23 And thy heaven that *is* over thy head shall be brass, and the earth that is under thee *shall be* iron.
- 24 The LORD shall make the rain of thy land powder and dust: from heaven shall it come down upon thee, until thou be destroyed.
- 25 The LORD shall cause thee to be smitten before thine enemies: thou shalt go out one way against them, and flee seven ways before

- them: and shalt be removed into all the kingdoms of the earth.
- 26 And thy carcase shall be meat unto all fowls of the air, and unto the beasts of the earth, and no man shall fray *them* away.
- 27 The LORD will smite thee with the botch of Egypt, and with the emerods, and with the scab, and with the itch, whereof thou canst not be healed.
- 28 The LORD shall smite thee with madness, and blindness, and astonishment of heart:
- 29 And thou shalt grope at noonday, as the blind gropeth in darkness, and thou shalt not prosper in thy ways: and thou shalt be only oppressed and spoiled evermore, and no man shall save *thee*.
- 30 Thou shalt betroth a wife, and another man shall lie with her: thou shalt build an house, and thou shalt not dwell therein: thou shalt plant a vineyard, and shalt not gather the grapes thereof.
- 31 Thine ox *shall be* slain before thine eyes, and thou shalt not eat thereof: thine ass *shall be* violently taken away from before thy face, and shall not be restored to thee: thy sheep *shall be* given unto thine enemies, and thou shalt have none to rescue *them*.

- 32 Thy sons and thy daughters shall be given unto another people, and thine eyes shall look, and fail with longing for them all the day long: and there shall be no might in thine hand.
- 33 The fruit of thy land, and all thy labours, shall a nation which thou knowest not eat up; and thou shalt be only oppressed and crushed alway:
- 34 So that thou shalt be mad for the sight of thine eyes which thou shalt see.
- 35 The LORD shall smite thee in the knees, and in the legs, with a sore botch that cannot be healed, from the sole of thy foot unto the top of thy head.
- 36 The LORD shall bring thee, and thy king which thou shalt set over thee, unto a nation which neither thou nor thy fathers have known; and there shalt thou serve other gods, wood and stone.
- 37 And thou shalt become an astonishment, a proverb, and a byword, among all nations whither the LORD shall lead thee.
- 38 Thou shalt carry much seed out into the field, and shalt gather *but* little in; for the locust shall consume it.
 - 39 Thou shalt plant vineyards,

and dress *them*, but shalt neither drink *of* the wine, nor gather *the grapes*; for the worms shall eat them.

- 40 Thou shalt have olive trees throughout all thy coasts, but thou shalt not anoint *thyself* with the oil; for thine olive shall cast *his fruit*.
- 41 Thou shalt beget sons and daughters, but thou shalt not enjoy them; for they shall go into captivity.
- 42 All thy trees and fruit of thy land shall the locust consume.
- 43 The stranger that *is* within thee shall get up above thee very high; and thou shalt come down very low.
- 44 He shall lend to thee, and thou shalt not lend to him: he shall be the head, and thou shalt be the tail.
- 45. Moreover all these curses shall come upon thee, and shall pursue thee, and overtake thee, till thou be destroyed; because thou hearkenedst not unto the voice of the LORD thy God, to keep his commandments and his statutes which he commanded thee:
- 46 And they shall be upon thee for a sign and for a wonder, and upon thy seed for ever.
- 47 Because thou servedst not the LORD thy God with joyfulness, and with gladness of heart, for the

abundance of all things;

- 48 Therefore shalt thou serve thine enemies which the LORD shall send against thee, in hunger, and in thirst, and in nakedness, and in want of all *things*: and he shall put a yoke of iron upon thy neck, until he have destroyed thee.
- 49 The LORD shall bring a nation against thee from far, from the end of the earth, *as swift* as the eagle flieth; a nation whose tongue thou shalt not understand;
- 50 A nation of fierce countenance, which shall not regard the person of the old, nor shew favour to the young:
- 51 And he shall eat the fruit of thy cattle, and the fruit of thy land, until thou be destroyed: which *also* shall not leave thee *either* corn, wine, or oil, *or* the increase of thy kine, or flocks of thy sheep, until he have destroyed thee.
- 52 And he shall besiege thee in all thy gates, until thy high and fenced walls come down, wherein thou trustedst, throughout all thy land: and he shall besiege thee in all thy gates throughout all thy land, which the LORD thy God hath given thee.
- 53 And thou shalt eat the fruit of thine own body, the flesh of thy

sons and of thy daughters, which the LORD thy God hath given thee, in the siege, and in the straitness, wherewith thine enemies shall distress thee:

- 54 So that the man that is tender among you, and very delicate, his eye shall be evil toward his brother, and toward the wife of his bosom, and toward the remnant of his children which he shall leave:
- 55 So that he will not give to any of them of the flesh of his children whom he shall eat: because he hath nothing left him in the siege, and in the straitness, wherewith thine enemies shall distress thee in all thy gates.
- 56 The tender and delicate woman among you, which would not adventure to set the sole of her foot upon the ground for delicateness and tenderness, her eye shall be evil toward the husband of her bosom, and toward her son, and toward her daughter,
- 57 And toward her young one that cometh out from between her feet, and toward her children which she shall bear: for she shall eat them for want of all *things* secretly in the siege and straitness, wherewith thine enemy shall distress thee in thy gates.

- 58 If thou wilt not observe to do all the words of this law that are written in this book, that thou mayest fear this glorious and fearful name, THE LORD THY GOD;
- 59 Then the LORD will make thy plagues wonderful, and the plagues of thy seed, *even* great plagues, and of long continuance, and sore sicknesses, and of long continuance.
- 60 Moreover he will bring upon thee all the diseases of Egypt, which thou wast afraid of; and they shall cleave unto thee.
- 61 Also every sickness, and every plague, which *is* not written in the book of this law, them will the LORD bring upon thee, until thou be destroyed.
- 62 And ye shall be left few in number, whereas ye were as the stars of heaven for multitude; because thou wouldest not obey the voice of the LORD thy God.
- 63 And it shall come to pass, that as the LORD rejoiced over you to do you good, and to multiply you; so the LORD will rejoice over you to destroy you, and to bring you to nought; and ye shall be plucked from off the land whither thou goest to possess it.
- 64 And the LORD shall scatter thee among all people, from the one

end of the earth even unto the other; and there thou shalt serve other gods, which neither thou nor thy fathers have known, *even* wood and stone.

- 65 And among these nations shalt thou find no ease, neither shall the sole of thy foot have rest: but the LORD shall give thee there a trembling heart, and failing of eyes, and sorrow of mind:
- 66 And thy life shall hang in doubt before thee; and thou shalt fear day and night, and shalt have none assurance of thy life:
- 67 In the morning thou shalt say, Would God it were even! and at even thou shalt say, Would God it were morning! for the fear of thine heart wherewith thou shalt fear, and for the sight of thine eyes which thou shalt see.
- 68 And the LORD shall bring thee into Egypt again with ships, by the way whereof I spake unto thee, Thou shalt see it no more again: and there ye shall be sold unto your enemies for bondmen and bondwomen, and no man shall buy you.

CHAPTER 29

THESE are the words of the covenant, which the LORD commanded Moses to make with the

children of Israel in the land of Moab, beside the covenant which he made with them in Horeb.

- 2 ¶ And Moses called unto all Israel, and said unto them, Ye have seen all that the LORD did before your eyes in the land of Egypt unto Pharaoh, and unto all his servants, and unto all his land;
- 3 The great temptations which thine eyes have seen, the signs, and those great miracles:
- 4 Yet the LORD hath not given you an heart to perceive, and eyes to see, and ears to hear, unto this day.
- 5 And I have led you forty years in the wilderness: your clothes are not waxen old upon you, and thy shoe is not waxen old upon thy foot.
- 6 Ye have not eaten bread, neither have ye drunk wine or strong drink: that ye might know that I *am* the LORD your God.
- 7 And when ye came unto this place, Sihon the king of Heshbon, and Og the king of Bashan, came out against us unto battle, and we smote them:
- 8 And we took their land, and gave it for an inheritance unto the Reubenites, and to the Gadites, and to the half tribe of Manasseh.
 - 9 Keep therefore the words of

this covenant, and do them, that ye may prosper in all that ye do.

- 10 ¶ Ye stand this day all of you before the LORD your God; your captains of your tribes, your elders, and your officers, *with* all the men of Israel,
- 11 Your little ones, your wives, and thy stranger that *is* in thy camp, from the hewer of thy wood unto the drawer of thy water:
- 12 That thou shouldest enter into covenant with the LORD thy God, and into his oath, which the LORD thy God maketh with thee this day:
- 13 That he may establish thee to day for a people unto himself, and *that* he may be unto thee a God, as he hath said unto thee, and as he hath sworn unto thy fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob.
- 14 Neither with you only do I make this covenant and this oath;
- 15 But with *him* that standeth here with us this day before the LORD our God, and also with *him* that *is* not here with us this day:
- 16 (For ye know how we have dwelt in the land of Egypt; and how we came through the nations which ye passed by;
- 17 And ye have seen their abominations, and their idols, wood and

- stone, silver and gold, which *were* among them:)
- 18 Lest there should be among you man, or woman, or family, or tribe, whose heart turneth away this day from the LORD our God, to go and serve the gods of these nations; lest there should be among you a root that beareth gall and wormwood;
- 19 And it come to pass, when he heareth the words of this curse, that he bless himself in his heart, saying, I shall have peace, though I walk in the imagination of mine heart, to add drunkenness to thirst:
- 20 The LORD will not spare him, but then the anger of the LORD and his jealousy shall smoke against that man, and all the curses that are written in this book shall lie upon him, and the LORD shall blot out his name from under heaven.
- 21 And the LORD shall separate him unto evil out of all the tribes of Israel, according to all the curses of the covenant that are written in this book of the law:
- 22 So that the generation to come of your children that shall rise up after you, and the stranger that shall come from a far land, shall say, when they see the plagues of that land, and the sick-

nesses which the LORD hath laid upon it;

- 23 And that the whole land thereof is brimstone, and salt, and burning, that it is not sown, nor beareth, nor any grass groweth therein, like the overthrow of Sodom, and Gomorrah, Admah, and Zeboim, which the LORD overthrew in his anger, and in his wrath:
- 24 Even all nations shall say, Wherefore hath the LORD done thus unto this land? what *meaneth* the heat of this great anger?
- 25 Then men shall say, Because they have forsaken the covenant of the LORD God of their fathers, which he made with them when he brought them forth out of the land of Egypt:
- 26 For they went and served other gods, and worshipped them, gods whom they knew not, and *whom* he had not given unto them:
- 27 And the anger of the LORD was kindled against this land, to bring upon it all the curses that are written in this book:
- 28 And the LORD rooted them out of their land in anger, and in wrath, and in great indignation, and cast them into another land, as *it is* this day.

29 The secret *things belong* unto the LORD our God: but those *things which are* revealed *belong* unto us and to our children for ever, that *we* may do all the words of this law.

CHAPTER 30

AND it shall come to pass, when all these things are come upon thee, the blessing and the curse, which I have set before thee, and thou shalt call *them* to mind among all the nations, whither the LORD thy God hath driven thee,

- 2 And shalt return unto the LORD thy God, and shalt obey his voice according to all that I command thee this day, thou and thy children, with all thine heart, and with all thy soul;
- 3 That then the LORD thy God will turn thy captivity, and have compassion upon thee, and will return and gather thee from all the nations, whither the LORD thy God hath scattered thee.
- 4 If *any* of thine be driven out unto the outmost *parts* of heaven, from thence will the LORD thy God gather thee, and from thence will he fetch thee:
- 5 And the LORD thy God will bring thee into the land which thy fathers possessed, and thou shalt possess it; and he will do thee good,

and multiply thee above thy fathers.

- 6 And the LORD thy God will circumcise thine heart, and the heart of thy seed, to love the LORD thy God with all thine heart, and with all thy soul, that thou mayest live.
- 7 And the LORD thy God will put all these curses upon thine enemies, and on them that hate thee, which persecuted thee.
- 8 And thou shalt return and obey the voice of the LORD, and do all his commandments which I command thee this day.
- 9 And the LORD thy God will make thee plenteous in every work of thine hand, in the fruit of thy body, and in the fruit of thy cattle, and in the fruit of thy land, for good: for the LORD will again rejoice over thee for good, as he rejoiced over thy fathers:
- 10 If thou shalt hearken unto the voice of the LORD thy God, to keep his commandments and his statutes which are written in this book of the law, *and* if thou turn unto the LORD thy God with all thine heart, and with all thy soul.
- 11 ¶ For this commandment which I command thee this day, it *is* not hidden from thee, neither *is* it far off.

- 12 It *is* not in heaven, that thou shouldest say, Who shall go up for us to heaven, and bring it unto us, that we may hear it, and do it?
- 13 Neither *is* it beyond the sea, that thou shouldest say, Who shall go over the sea for us, and bring it unto us, that we may hear it, and do it?
- 14 But the word *is* very nigh unto thee, in thy mouth, and in thy heart, that thou mayest do it.
- 15 ¶ See, I have set before thee this day life and good, and death and evil;
- 16 In that I command thee this day to love the LORD thy God, to walk in his ways, and to keep his commandments and his statutes and his judgments, that thou mayest live and multiply: and the LORD thy God shall bless thee in the land whither thou goest to possess it.
- 17 But if thine heart turn away, so that thou wilt not hear, but shalt be drawn away, and worship other gods, and serve them;
- 18 I denounce unto you this day, that ye shall surely perish, *and* that ye shall not prolong your days upon the land, whither thou passest over Jordan to go to possess it.
 - 19 I call heaven and earth to

record this day against you, *that* I have set before you life and death, blessing and cursing: therefore choose life, that both thou and thy seed may live:

20 That thou mayest love the LORD thy God, and that thou

mayest obey his voice, and that thou mayest cleave unto him: for he *is* thy life, and the length of thy days: that thou mayest dwell in the land which the LORD sware unto thy fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, to give them.

DEVOTIONAL COMMENTS

In today's reading we continue with the prophetic picture of Israel in relationship to the land. Keep in mind that Israel owned the land because of God's covenant with Abraham; but she possessed and enjoyed it only if she obeyed God's covenant as a holy nation. Christians today have all the blessings in Christ they need because of His grace; but they enjoy those blessings only as they trust and obey Him. Of course, this principle of obedience is found in every dispensation, for God cannot bless those who rebel against Him.

The curses in chapter 28:13-19 parallel the blessings in verses 3-6. God warns the people that the same disease and pestilence they have seen among their enemies would visit them, including the plagues He sent to Egypt (verse 27). Their enemies would defeat them; they would be scattered like blind slaves across the face of the earth. Their rich land, flowing with milk and honey, would turn into a wilderness, and instead of Israel being the "first" nation of the earth, she would be "the tail" (verse 44).

The word "destroyed" in verse 45 does not mean completely wiped out, for God could not violate His covenant and destroy the nation of Israel. Rather, it means to be crushed, referring to the terrible trials and disciplines that would fall on Israel because of her disobedience. Verse 63 indicates that continued disobedience would result in Israel being plucked off the land and scattered among the nations—a perfect picture of the Jews today. What nation has suffered more than Israel?

PROVERB FOR TODAY

"He keepeth the paths of judgment, and preserveth the way of his saints" (Proverbs 2:8).

TREASURE PATH TO SOUL WINNING

ASSIGNMENT 9: For today's memory verses, follow instructions on page 14.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO

ASHLEY ALLPORT

HYMN FOR TODAY

JESUS LOVES ME by Anna B. Warner, 1820-1915

The story is told of a brilliant professor at Princeton Seminary who always left his graduation class with these words: "Gentlemen, there is still much in this world and in the Bible that I do not understand, but of one thing I am certain—'Jesus loves me, this I know, for the Bible tells me so'—and gentlemen, that is sufficient!"

Without doubt the song that has been sung more by children than any other hymn is this simply stated one by Anna Warner. Written in 1860, it is still one of the first hymns taught to new converts in other lands.

Miss Warner wrote this text in collaboration with her sister Susan. It was part of their novel *Say and Seal*, one of the best selling books of that day. Today few individuals would know or remember the plot of that story, which once stirred the hearts of many readers. But the simple poem spoken by one of the characters, Mr. Linden, as he comforts Johnny Fax, a dying child, still remains the favorite hymn of countless children around the world.

Jesus loves me! this I know, for the Bible tells me so. Little ones to Him belong; they are weak but He is strong.

Jesus loves me! loves me still, tho I'm very weak and ill, that I might from sin be free, bled and died upon the tree.

Jesus loves me! He who died heaven's gate to open wide;

He will wash away my sin, let His little child come in.

Jesus loves me! He will stay close beside me all the way. Thou hast bled and died for me; I will henceforth live for Thee.

Chorus:

Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.

William Bradbury, the composer of the music, was one of the leading contributors to the development of early gospel music in America. He became recognized as one of the pioneers in children's music both for the church and in the public schools. In 1861 Bradbury composed the music for Anna Warner's text and personally added the chorus to her four stanzas. The hymn appeared the following year in Bradbury's hymnal collection, *The Golden Sower*. It had an immediate response.

ON THIS DATE IN HISTORY TEXAS INDEPENDENCE DAY.

1830 THE FIRST SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND WAS OPENED.

Do you know of some blind person today into whose life you could bring some cheer? Why not do it? Perhaps a visit, a telephone call, or just a pat on the back would brighten his day so much. Do it now.

1791 JOHN WESLEY DIED.

He said, "All glory to God in the sky and peace upon earth be restored." He then asked for his pen. He got up, though very weak, and sang, "I'll praise my Maker while I have breath, and when my voice is lost in death, praise shall employ my nobler power. My days of praise shall ne'er be past while life and thought and being last, or immortality endures."

He then got into his chair, he asked for praise and prayer and then sang some more. Just above a whisper he said, "The best of all, God is with us." His dry dying lips were wetted and then he said, "The Lord is with us, the God of Jacob is our refuge. Farewell!"

ON THIS DATE IN AFRICAN-AMERICAN HISTORY

1807

CONGRESS BANNED THE SLAVE TRADE, prohibiting "the importation of slaves into the United States or the territories thereof" after January 1, 1808.

1865

FREEDMEN'S BUREAU FOUNDED FOR BLACK EDUCATION.

1867

FIRST OF A SUCCESSION OF RECONSTRUC- TION ACTS passed by Congress. The acts divided the former Confederate states into five military districts under the command of army generals. Elections were ordered for constitutional conventions and freedmen were enfranchised.

COMMANDERS IN SOME STATES CHANGED THE STATUS OF BLACKS by military orders. In March Maj. Gen. E.R.S. Canby opened the jury box to blacks.

SOME BLACKS WERE NAMED POLICEMEN IN MOBILE, ALABAMA.

BLACKS VOTED IN MUNICIPAL ELECTION IN ALEXANDRIA, VA., for perhaps the first time in the South. The election commissioners refused to count the fourteen hundred votes and military officials suspended local elections pending clarification of the status of the freedmen.

HOWARD UNIVERSITY ESTABLISHED. Also founded or chartered in 1867 were Talladege College, Morgan State University, Johnson C. Smith College, and St. Augustine's College.

1961

THROUGH 25TH. SOME 180 BLACKS STU-DENTS AND A WHITE MINISTER ARRESTED in Columbia, S.C., after antisegregation march.

ATLANTA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE ANNOUNCED THAT BLACK AND WHITE LEADERS HAD AGREED on a plan for desegregation of lunchrooms and other facilities.

CLIFTON R. WHARTON SWORN IN AS AMBAS-SADOR TO NORWAY.

MEETING PLACE OF NATIONAL CIVIL WAR CENTENNIAL COMMISSION SHIFTED from
Charleston to Charleston Naval Station after a national controversy about the segregation of hotels in Charleston.

A Christian Life:

WILLIAM CULBERTSON 1905-1971

Born in Philadelphia and educated there at the Theological Seminary of the Reformed Episcopal Church and Temple University, he pastored Reformed Episcopal churches in Pennsylvania and New Jersey. At age 31, his denomination elected him bishop of the New York and Philadelphia Synod. For 23 years (1948-1971), Dr. Culbertson served God as president of Moody Bible Institute. Under his leadership, the Moody Bible Institute grew steadily, increasing its day school enrollment to over 1,000 students. Five major buildings were added to the Chicago campus.

Dr. Culbertson's ministry extended beyond Chicago as he spoke at Bible conferences around the world and also served as president of the Accrediting Association of Bible Colleges. In 1971, he was appointed the school's first chancellor. Above all, he lived in God's Word, and therefore always had a word from God. As they trained at Moody, thousands of young people for a quarter of a century looked to William Culbertson as their spiritual father because of his godly example.

His last words, "God...God...yes!" concluded a life characterized by affirmative responses to God's commands.



THE STORY OF THE PSALMS Psalm 18

AUTHOR: David.

THE STORY BEHIND THE PSALM:

This Psalm was written after David had won a victory over Goliath's family. It is a Psalm of joy, a Psalm of victory, a Psalm of exaltation. The Psalm is also found in 2 Samuel 22.

It is noteworthy that though this was a wonderful victory, it was a needless battle. Goliath and his family should not have even been alive. God had told Joshua and his people to destroy and drive out the heathen in the land of Canaan. Among these people to be driven out and destroyed were the Anakites. These were giant people, the ones whom the spies mentioned upon returning to the promised land to report to the children of Israel. Josahua, however, did not destroy all of the Anakites but let some live in Gaza, in Gath and in Ashdod. Because of Joshua's incomplete obedience, much grief was brought to the people of God by the descendants of Anak. It is never right to obey our God partially. We must completely obey Him, for those things that we fail to crucify in our lives will return to haunt us in the future.

THE WAY IT WAS USED BY GOD'S PEOPLE:

This Psalm was sung and read after deliverance from a great struggle. The Jew would sing it after he had recovered from an illness or after he had won a great battle. It was also a Psalm that was used on Thanksgiving Day or during the Thanksgiving season. Has God recently given to you a great victory? Have you recently recovered from a serious illness? Join David in his shout of victory in Psalm 18.

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 usward, 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.
vv. 1 1.1

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.