

“The Gospel According to Moses” Rediscovering the Grace of God in Deuteronomy

Veritas Class, College Church

I. Moses’ First Address: Remembering the Grace of Yahweh (Deuteronomy 1:1-4:43)

A. The Preamble to Moses’ First Address (1:1-6a)

1. The Authorities behind the Book.
2. The Addressees in the Book.
3. The Location of the Events Described in the Book.
4. The Time of the Events Described in the Book.
5. The Genre of the Book.

B. The Nature of Moses’ First Address (1:6b-4:40)

1. Location, Location, Location.

Text	Location	Estimated Narrated Time	%	Narrative Time (number of verses devoted to subject)	%
1:6-18	At Horeb	2 months	.4%	13	12%
1:19	From Horeb to Kadesh Barnea	42 weeks	2.2%	1	1%
1:20-46	At Kadesh Barnea	2 weeks	.1%	27	25%
2:1	In the desert south of Kadesh Barnea	38 years	96%	1	1%
2:2-23	Encounters with the Transjordanian Relatives	1 month	.2%	22	21%
2:24-3:11	Encounters with the Transjordanian Amorites	1 month	.2%	25	23%
3:12-29	Preparing for the Conquest of Canaan	1 month	.2%	18	17%

2. Structure

a. Historical Recollections

- (1) Moses' Recollections of Yahweh's Grace to the Exodus Generation (1:6-2:1)
 - (a) Recollections of Horeb (1:6-18)
 - (b) Recollections of the Journey from Horeb to Kadesh Barnea (1:19)
 - (c) Recollections of Kadesh Barnea (1:20-46)
 - (d) Recollections of the Desert (2:1)
- (2) Moses' Recollections of Yahweh's Grace to the New Generation (2:2-3:29)
 - (a) Recollections of Israel's Encounters with their Transjordanian Relatives (2:2-23)
 - (b) Recollections of Israel's Encounters with the Amorite Kings (2:24-3:11)
 - (c) Preparing for the Conquest of Canaan (3:12-29)

b. Pastoral Recollections: Divine Grace and Human Response

- (1) Recollections of the Grace of Torah (4:1-8)
- (2) Recollections of the Grace of Covenant (4:9-31)
- (3) Recollections of the Grace of Salvation (4:32-40).

C. Recollections of Mount Horeb (6-18)

1. The Lord's Command to Move On (vv. 6-8)
 - a. The Preamble (v. 6)
 - b. The Destination (v. 7)
 - c. The Promise (v. 8)
2. Moses' Administrative Preparations (vv. 9-12)
 - a. The Problem (vv. 9-10)
 - (1) The Nature of the Problem (v. 9)
 - (2) The Reason for the Problem (vv. 10-11)
 - (3) The Dilemma (v. 12)
 - b. The Solution (vv. 13-17)
 - (1) The Proposal (v. 13)
 - (2) The People's Response (v. 14)
 - (3) The Implementation (v. 15)
 - (4) The Charge (vv. 16-18)