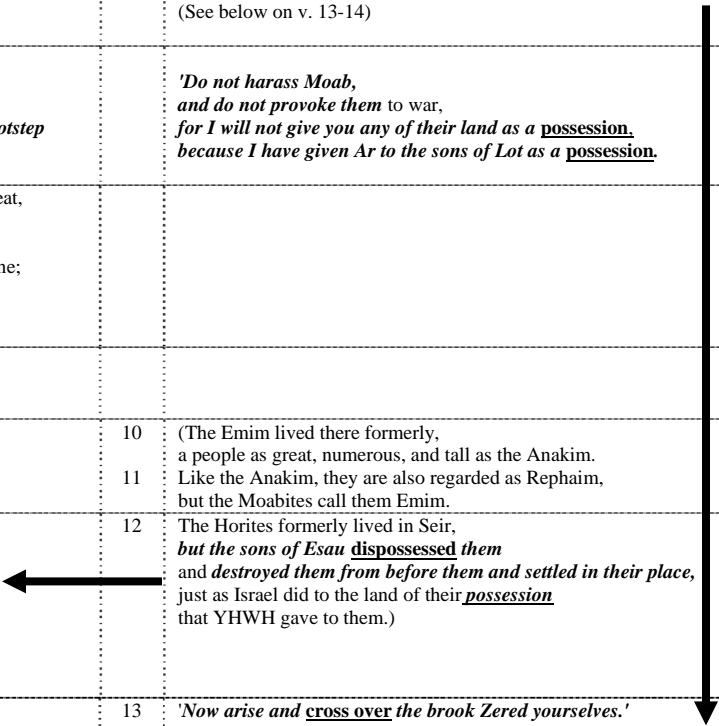


A Synopsis of the Accounts of Israel's Encounters with Their Transjordanian Relatives (Employing a literal translation of Deuteronomy 2:1-23)

Then we turned and set out for the desert by the way to the Red Sea, as YHWH spoke to me, and circled Mount Seir for many days.

The Edomites	The Moabites	The Ammonites
<p>2 <i>And YHWH said to me,</i> saying, 3 'You have circled this mountain long enough. Turn north, 4 and command the people, saying, "You shall <u>cross over</u> the border of your brothers the sons of Esau who live in Seir; and they will be afraid of you.</p>	<p>8b And we turned and <u>crossed over</u> by the way of the desert of Moab. 9 <i>Then YHWH said to me,</i> (See below on v. 13-14)</p>	<p>16 So when all the men of war had finally perished from among the people, 17 <i>and YHWH spoke to me, saying,</i> 18 <i>'Today you shall <u>cross over</u> Ar, the border of Moab.</i></p>
<p>5 So be very careful; <i>do not provoke them, for I will not give you any of their land, even as little as a footstep because as a <u>possession</u> I have given Mount Seir to Esau.</i></p>	<p><i>'Do not harass Moab, and do not provoke them to war, for I will not give you any of their land as a <u>possession</u>, because I have given Ar to the sons of Lot as a <u>possession</u>.</i></p>	<p>19 And when you come opposite the sons of Ammon, <i>do not harass them and do not provoke them, for I will not give you any of the land of the sons of Ammon as a <u>possession</u>, because I have given it to the sons of Lot as a <u>possession</u>.</i></p>
<p>6 "You shall buy food from them with money so that you may eat, and you shall also purchase water from them with money so that you may drink. For YHWH your God has blessed you in all that you have done; He has known your wanderings through this great desert. 7 These forty years YHWH your God has been with you; you have not lacked a thing."</p>		
<p>8 So we <u>crossed over</u> beyond our brothers the sons of Esau, who live in Seir, away from the Arabah road, away from Elath and from Ezion-geber.</p>		
	<p>10 (The Emim lived there formerly, a people as great, numerous, and tall as the Anakim. 11 Like the Anakim, they are also regarded as Rephaim, but the Moabites call them Emim. 12 The Horites formerly lived in Seir, <i>but the sons of Esau <u>dispossessed</u> them and destroyed them from before them and settled in their place,</i> just as Israel did to the land of their <u>possession</u> that YHWH gave to them.)</p>	<p>20 (It is also regarded as the land of the Rephaim, <i>for</i> Rephaim formerly lived in it, 21 but the Ammonites call them Zamzummin, a people as great, numerous, and tall as the Anakim, but YHWH <i>destroyed them before them.</i> <i>And they <u>dispossessed</u> them and settled in their place,</i> just as He did for the sons of Esau, who live in Seir, when He destroyed the Horites from before them; and they <u>dispossessed</u> them, and settled in their place even to this day. 22 And the Avvim, who lived in villages as far as Gaza, the Caphtorim who came from Caphtor, destroyed them and lived in their place.) 23</p>
<p>And we turned and <u>crossed over</u> by the way of the desert of Moab.</p>	<p>13 <i>'Now arise and <u>cross over</u> the brook Zered yourselves.'</i> <i>So we <u>crossed over</u> the brook Zered.</i></p>	<p>24 <i>'Arise, set out, and <u>cross over</u> the valley of Arnon.</i></p>
	<p>14 Now the time that it took for us to come from Kadesh-barnea, until we <u>crossed over</u> the brook Zered, was thirty-eight years; until all the generation of the men of war perished from within the camp, as YHWH had sworn to them. 15 Moreover the hand of YHWH was against them, to destroy them from within the camp, until they all perished.</p>	



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

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 - (3)
 - (4)

What's missing? (Numbers 14:13-19)

The Argument of Moses' Prayer

YHWH has invested great effort in saving the Israelites from the bondage of Egypt; by implication, to destroy them would mean this was effort was wasted (v. 13).

YHWH has been uniquely close to his people: he is in their midst and has been personally leading them; by implication, it makes no sense to destroy them (v. 14).

YHWH's reputation among the nations will be damaged if he destroys Israel; they will think that he slaughtered them in the desert because he was unable to carry through on his promise to give them the land (vv. 15–16).
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YHWH's gracious character is in question; he has proved himself merciful in the past—may he be gracious again and forgive his people (vv. 17–19).

- d. *The Outcome of the Rebellion (vv. 41-46)*
 - (1) The People's Response to Yahweh's Anger (vv. 41)
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