

## C. The Grace of Salvation (4:32-40)

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### Introduction: The Structure and Design of Deuteronomy 4:32-40

The Climactic Refrain:

[35] To you it was shown, that you might know that the LORD is God; there is no other besides him.

[39] Know therefore today, and lay it to your heart, that the LORD is God in heaven above and on the earth beneath; there is no other.

### A. Moses' History Lesson (vv. 32-34; 36-38)

#### 1. The Challenge (vv. 32-34)

- a. Has any great event like this ever happened before?
- b. Has anybody ever heard about anything like this?
- c. Has any people ever heard the voice of God speaking from the midst of the fire and survived?
- d. Has any God dared to do what Israel's God has done?

(1) His daring acts (*mass ôṭ*):

(2) His miraculous signs ( *'ôṭ ôṭ*):

(3) His wonders, portents (*m ôp ă ṭm*):

(4) His war (*mil ḥāmā*):

(5) His strong hand (*yād ḥăz. āqā*):

(6) His outstretched arm (*z ă r ôa* '):

(7) His awesome deeds (*m ôr ā' ṭm*):

#### 2. The Addendum (v. 36-38)

### B. Moses' Theological Lesson (vv. 32-34; 36-38)

### C. Moses' Practical Lesson (v. 40)

## Application

2 Peter 1:2-11  
2 Peter 1:16-17  
Romans 1:16-17  
Romans 1:2-5  
Phil 2:7-11

### A Christian paraphrase of Deuteronomy 4:32-40

"For ask now of the days that are past, which were before you, since the day that God created man on the earth, and ask from one end of heaven to the other, whether such a great thing as this has ever happened or was ever heard of. [33] Did any people ever encounter their gods directly, as you have encountered him, and still live? [34] Or has any god ever dared to invade the kingdom of darkness and take a people for himself from the midst of that kingdom, by trials, by signs, by wonders, and by war, by a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, and by great deeds of terror, all of which Jesus Christ your God has done for you on the cross before your eyes?

[35] To you it was shown, that you might know that Jesus Christ the LORD is God; there is no other besides him. [36] Out of heaven he came as the divine Word, that he might reveal the Father to you, and on earth he revealed his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth.

[37] And because he loved the ancestors and chose their spiritual offspring after them and brought you out of the kingdom of darkness by his great power, [38] disarming the rulers and authorities and putting them to open shame, by triumphing over them in him (Col 2:15), in order to grant us an inheritance, since we have been predestined according to the purpose of him who works all things according to the counsel of his will (Eph 1:11)

[39] Know therefore today, and lay it to your heart, that Jesus Christ the LORD is God in heaven above and on the earth beneath; there is no other.

[40] Therefore walk in a manner worthy of the Jesus Christ the LORD, fully pleasing to him, bearing fruit in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God, being strengthened with all power, according to his glorious might, for all endurance and patience with joy, and [12] giving thanks to the Father, who has qualified you to share in the inheritance of the saints in light.