

**Out of Mordor?**  
**The Third Volley of the Curses of the Covenant**  
**(Deuteronomy 28:47–68)**  
**Veritas Class**  
**November 6, 2016**

**I. The First Volley (vv. 20–46)**

**II. The Second Volley (vv. 47–57)**

**III. The Third Volley (vv. 58–68)**

**A. The Opening Warning against Covenantal Infidelity (v. 58)**

**B. The Consequences if Covenantal Infidelity: Three Strikes and You’re Out (vv. 59–68)**

**1. Strike One: Plague and Disease (vv. 59–63b)**

| 28:59-63b   | 28:63c-67  | 28:68   |
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| <p><sup>59</sup>Then YHWH will bring on you and your offspring extraordinary afflictions, afflictions severe and lasting, and sicknesses grievous and lasting. <sup>60</sup>And he will bring upon you again all the diseases of Egypt, of which you were afraid, and they will cling to you.</p> <p><sup>61</sup>Every sickness also and every affliction that is not recorded in the book of this law, YHWH will bring upon you, until you are destroyed.</p> <p><sup>62</sup>And you will be left few in number, instead of being as numerous as the stars of heaven, because you did not obey the voice of YHWH your God.</p> <p><sup>63</sup>And as YHWH took delight in doing you good and multiplying you, so YHWH will take delight in bringing ruin upon you and destroying you.</p> | <p>And you will be plucked off the land that you are entering to take possession of it. <sup>64</sup>And YHWH will scatter you among all peoples, from one end of the earth to the other,</p> <p>and there you will serve other gods of wood and stone, which neither you nor your fathers have known. <sup>65</sup>And among these nations you will find no relief, and there will be no resting place for the sole of your foot, but YHWH will give you there a trembling heart and failing eyes and a languishing soul. <sup>66</sup>Your life will hang in doubt before you. Night and day you will be in dread and have no assurance of your life. <sup>67</sup>In the morning you will say, ‘If only it were evening!’ and at evening you will say, ‘If only it were morning!’ because of the dread that your heart will feel, and the sights that your eyes will see.</p> | <p><sup>68</sup>And YHWH will bring you back in ships to Egypt, a journey that I promised that you should never make again;</p> <p>and there you will offer yourselves for sale to your enemies as male and female slaves, but there will be no buyer.”</p> |

- a. Note the Intensity of YHWH’s Actions
  - b. Note the Effects of YHWH’s Actions
2. Strike Two: Dispersion (vv. 63c–67)
3. Strike Three: Enslavement (v. 68)
- C. Colophonic Conclusion (29:1 [Heb 28:69])**
- D. After all this, so what**

