

## TORAH, GOD'S INSTRUCTIONS

DEUTERONOMY – 15 – CARE FOR THE POOR OF THE LAND  
DEUTERONOMY – 16 – REMEMBER THE CELEBRATIONS GOD  
GAVE TO THE ISRAELITES AND TO GOD'S PEOPLE TODAY

### Deuteronomy 15

Say – The Bible tells us “<sup>9</sup>And Moses wrote this law, and delivered it unto the priests the sons of Levi, which bare the ark of the covenant of the LORD, and unto all the elders of Israel. <sup>10</sup>And Moses commanded them, saying, At the end of every seven years, in the solemnity of the year of release, in the feast of tabernacles, <sup>11</sup>When all Israel is come to appear before the LORD thy God in the place which he shall choose, thou shalt read this law before all Israel in their hearing. <sup>12</sup>Gather the people together, men and women, and children, and thy stranger that is within thy gates, that they may hear, and that they may learn, and fear the LORD your God, and observe to do all the words of this law: <sup>13</sup>And that their children, which have not known any thing, may hear, and learn to fear the LORD your God, as long as ye live in the land whither ye go over Jordan to possess it” Deuteronomy 31:9-13

<sup>1</sup>At the end of every seven years thou shalt make a release (The Sabbath means not only the 7<sup>th</sup> day but also 7 of anything.).

<sup>2</sup>And this is the manner of the release: Every creditor that lendeth ought unto his neighbour (means “friend” in Hebrew) shall release it; he shall not exact it of his neighbour (means “friend” in Hebrew), or of his brother; because it is called the LORD's release. (The Bible tells us “Beware that there be not a thought in thy wicked heart, saying, The seventh year, the year of release, is at hand; and thine eye be evil against thy poor brother, and thou givest him not; and he cry unto the Lord against thee, and it be sin unto thee. Thou shalt surely give him, and thine heart shall not be grieved when thou givest unto him: because that for this thing the Lord thy God shall bless thee in all thy works, and in all that thou puttest thine hand unto” Deuteronomy 15:9, 10 (We are to help them stand on their feet). (When we don't take care of the poor it is sin which equals death.)

<sup>3</sup>Of a foreigner thou mayest exact it again: but that which is thine with thy brother thine hand shall release; (The Bible tells us “Unto a stranger thou mayest lend upon usury; but unto thy brother thou shalt not lend upon usury: that the Lord thy God may bless thee in all that thou settest thine hand to in the land whither thou goest to possess it” (Don't worry about getting it back; God will bless you and take care of you. Deuteronomy 23:20)

<sup>4</sup>Save when there shall be no poor among you; for the LORD shall greatly bless thee in the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee for an inheritance to possess it: (Ideally, but because of our iniquity there will be poor among us.)

(Here's how to repent.) <sup>5</sup>Only if thou carefully hearken unto the voice of the LORD thy God, to observe to do all these commandments which I command thee this day.

<sup>6</sup>For the LORD thy God blesseth thee, as he promised thee: and thou shalt lend unto many nations, but thou shalt not borrow; and thou shalt reign over many nations, but they shall not reign over thee.

<sup>7</sup>If there be among you a poor man of one of thy brethren within any of thy gates in thy land which the LORD thy God giveth thee, thou shalt not harden thine heart, nor shut thine hand from thy poor brother (Because of disobedience to God instead of righteousness.):

<sup>8</sup>But thou shalt open thine hand wide unto him, and shalt surely lend him sufficient for his need, in that which he wanteth (lacks) (Then he doesn't hang around hungry and weak and sick and resort to crime.).

<sup>9</sup>Beware that there be not a thought in thy wicked heart, saying, The seventh year, the year of release, is at hand; and thine eye be evil against thy poor brother, and thou givest him nought; and he cry unto the LORD against thee, and it be sin unto thee (When we don't take care of the poor it is sin.).

<sup>10</sup>Thou shalt surely give him, and thine heart shall not be grieved when thou givest unto him: because that for this thing the LORD thy God shall bless thee in all thy works, and in all that thou puttest thine hand unto. (Help him to stand on his own feet.)

(Because of our iniquity.) <sup>11</sup>For the poor shall never cease out of the land; therefore I command thee, saying, Thou shalt open thine hand wide unto thy brother, to thy poor, and to thy needy, in thy land (It was not the way of God that any should be poor but people are going to sin and so here is how to take care of him. Love them as yourself; for God is interested in righteousness. Help them get back on their feet otherwise creates a well of crime and poverty and we end up paying for it anyway.).

<sup>12</sup>And if thy brother, an Hebrew man, or an Hebrew woman, be sold unto thee, and serve thee six years; then in the seventh year thou shalt let him go free from thee.

<sup>13</sup>And when thou sendest him out free from thee, thou shalt not let him go away empty:

<sup>14</sup>Thou shalt furnish him liberally out of thy flock, and out of thy floor (threshing floor for we are to develop natural affection them.), and out of thy winepress: of that wherewith the LORD thy God hath blessed thee thou shalt give unto him (It all belongs to God anyway.).

<sup>15</sup>And thou shalt remember that thou wast a bondman (The condition we were in and God pulled us out; He didn't have to do it.) in the land of Egypt, and the LORD thy God redeemed thee: therefore I command thee this thing to day (Not if you feel like it; it is a command from God.)(He took a nation of slaves and taught them to be kings.).

<sup>16</sup>And it shall be, if he say unto thee, I will not go away from thee; because he loveth thee and thine house, because he is well with thee (Because you are kind to them.);

<sup>17</sup>Then thou shalt take an aul, and thrust it through his ear unto the door, and he shall be thy servant for ever. And also unto thy maidservant thou shalt do likewise.

<sup>18</sup>It shall not seem hard unto thee, when thou sendest him away free from thee; for he hath been worth a double hired servant to thee, in serving thee six years: and the LORD thy God shall bless thee in all that thou doest (Don't think I will lose a hired man.).

<sup>19</sup>All the firstling males that come of thy herd and of thy flock thou shalt sanctify unto the LORD thy God: thou shalt do no work with the firstling of thy bullock (ox), nor shear the firstling of thy sheep.

<sup>20</sup>Thou shalt eat it before the LORD thy God year by year in the place which the LORD shall choose, thou and thy household.

<sup>21</sup>And if there be any blemish therein, as if it be lame, or blind, or have any ill blemish, thou shalt not sacrifice it unto the LORD thy God.

<sup>22</sup>Thou shalt eat it within thy gates: the unclean and the clean person shall eat it alike, as the roebuck, and as the hart (Everyone can eat it as it was not a sacrifice; any meat sacrificed was clean.).

<sup>23</sup>Only thou shalt not eat the blood thereof; thou shalt pour it upon the ground as water (Many don't obey this law of God.).

## **Deuteronomy 16**

Say – Moses talks to the Israelites about the celebrations God had given them; the Passover, Days of Unleavened Bread, Feast of Weeks, and Feast of Tabernacles.

<sup>1</sup>Observe the month of Abib, and keep the passover (Not Easter which was a Canaanite goddess of fertility.)unto the LORD thy God: for in the month of Abib the LORD thy God brought thee forth out of Egypt by night (Keep because God said to; not because church does or anything else.).

<sup>2</sup>Thou shalt therefore sacrifice the passover unto the LORD thy God, of the flock and the herd, in the place which the LORD shall choose to place his name there.

<sup>3</sup>Thou shalt eat no leavened bread with it; seven days shalt thou eat unleavened bread therewith, even the bread of affliction; for thou camest forth out of the land of Egypt in haste: that thou mayest remember the day (Timing for they left at night.) when thou camest forth out of the land of Egypt all the days of thy life (Egypt – sin; Egypt – Babylon).

<sup>4</sup>And there shall be no leavened bread seen with thee in all thy coast seven days; neither shall there any thing of the flesh, which thou sacrificedst the first day at even, remain all night until the morning.

<sup>5</sup>Thou mayest not sacrifice the assover within any of thy gates, which the LORD thy God giveth thee:

<sup>6</sup>But at the place which the LORD thy God shall choose to place his name in, there thou shalt sacrifice the assover at even, at the going down of the sun, at the season (fixed time) that thou camest forth out of Egypt.

<sup>7</sup>And thou shalt roast and eat it in the place which the LORD thy God shall choose: and thou shalt turn in the morning, and go unto thy tents.

<sup>8</sup>Six days thou shalt eat unleavened bread: and on the seventh day shall be a solemn assembly to the LORD thy God: thou shalt do no work therein.

(Feast of weeks.) <sup>9</sup>Seven weeks shalt thou number unto thee: begin to number the seven weeks from such time as thou beginnest to put the sickle to the corn (standing grain).

<sup>10</sup>And thou shalt keep the feast of weeks unto the LORD thy God with a tribute of a freewill offering of thine hand, which thou shalt give unto the LORD thy God, according as the LORD thy God hath blessed thee:

<sup>11</sup>And thou shalt rejoice before the LORD thy God, thou, and thy son, and thy daughter, and thy manservant, and thy maidservant, and the Levite that is within thy gates, and the stranger, and the fatherless, and the widow, that are among you, in the place which the LORD thy God hath chosen to place his name there.

<sup>12</sup>And thou shalt remember that thou wast a bondman in Egypt: and thou shalt observe and do these statutes.

<sup>13</sup>Thou shalt observe the feast of tabernacles seven days, after that thou hast gathered in thy corn (threshing floor) and thy wine: Zechariah 14:16 – All will keep the Feast, all will be an agrarian farmland again – not the false economy of our world of destruction where some benefit and others are in poverty.)

<sup>14</sup>And thou shalt rejoice in thy feast, thou, and thy son, and thy daughter, and thy manservant, and thy maidservant, and the Levite, the stranger, and the fatherless, and the widow, that are within thy gates (All come even who are not of Abraham lineage.).

<sup>15</sup>Seven days shalt thou keep a solemn feast unto the LORD thy God in the place which the LORD shall choose: because the LORD thy God shall bless thee in all thine increase, and in all the works of thine hands, therefore thou shalt surely rejoice.

<sup>16</sup>Three times in a year shall all thy males appear before the LORD thy God in the place which he shall choose; in the feast of unleavened bread, and in the feast of weeks (called this because we count 7 weeks not days as Pentecost means), and in the feast of tabernacles: and they shall not appear before the LORD empty:

<sup>17</sup>Every man shall give as he is able, according to the blessing of the LORD thy God which he hath given thee.

<sup>18</sup>Judges and officers shalt thou make thee in all thy gates (To make sure there is righteousness, justice and mercy.), which the LORD thy God giveth thee, throughout thy tribes: and they shall judge the people with just (righteous) judgment (That is why our justice system is such a mess; they do not know the laws of God.).

<sup>19</sup>Thou shalt not wrest judgment; thou shalt not respect persons, neither take a gift: for a gift doth blind the eyes of the wise, and pervert the words of the righteous.

<sup>20</sup>That which is altogether just shalt thou follow, that thou mayest live (Most people don't have a life and we are not to give up.), and inherit the land ("Blessed are the meek: for they shall inherit the earth" Matthew 5:5.) which the LORD thy God giveth thee (If God reigns in our midst; there will be peac.).

<sup>21</sup>Thou shalt not plant thee a grove (Ashtaroth, Istar of Babylon, and Astarte of Greek which is all Easter; see the lesson on Easter in the sabbathlessons.com) of any trees near unto the altar of the LORD thy God, which thou shalt make thee.

<sup>22</sup>Neither shalt thou set thee up any image; which the LORD thy God hateth (God hated the images and said don't do it; but Israel did it anyway.).

#### MEMORY VERSE

But thou shalt open thine hand wide unto him, and shalt surely lend him sufficient for his need, in that which he wanteth (lacks).

Deuteronomy 15:8

BELOW IS THE SABBATH SCHOOL LESSON FOR TOTS

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REMEMBER THE POOR OF THE LAND

BLESSED IS HE THAT CONSIDERS THE POOR: THE LORD  
WILL DELIVER HIM IN THE TIME OF TROUBLE.

PSALM 41:1

THE RIGHTEOUS CONSIDER THE CAUSE OF THE POOR:  
BUT THE WICKED REGARDETH NOT TO KNOW IT.

PROVERBS 29:7

IS IT NOT TO DEAL THY BREAD TO THE HUNGRY, AND THAT  
THOU BRING THE POOR THAT ARE CAST OUT TO THY  
HOUSE? WHEN THOU SEEST THE NAKED, THAT THOU  
COVER HIM; AND THAT THOU HIDE NOT THYSELF  
FROM THINE OWN FLESH.

ISAIAH 58:7

IF SOMEONE HAS ENOUGH MONEY TO LIVE WELL AND  
SEES A BROTHER OR SISTER IN NEED BUT SHOWS NO  
COMPASSION; HOW CAN THE GOD'S LOVE BE IN THAT  
PERSON.

I JOHN 3:17

AND HE (JESUS) LIFTED UP HIS EYES ON HIS DISCIPLES,  
AND SAID, BLESSED BE YE POOR (humble, and meek):  
FOR YOURS IS THE KINGDOM OF GOD.

LUKE 6:20

BLESSED IS HE THAT CONSIDERS THE POOR: THE LORD  
WILL DELIVER HIM IN THE TIME OF TROUBLE. THE  
LORD WILL PRESERVE HIM, AND KEEP HIM ALIVE; AND  
HE SHALL BE BLESSED UPON THE EARTH: AND THOU  
WILT NOT DELIVER HIM UNTO THE WILL OF HIS  
ENEMIES.

PSALM 41:1-2

FOR THE POOR SHALL NEVER CEASE OUT OF THE LAND,  
THEREFORE I CAMMAND THEE SAYING THOU SHALL  
OPEN THY HAND WIDE UNTO THY BROTHER, TO THE  
POOR AND NEEDY IN THE LAND.

DEUTERONOMY 15:11

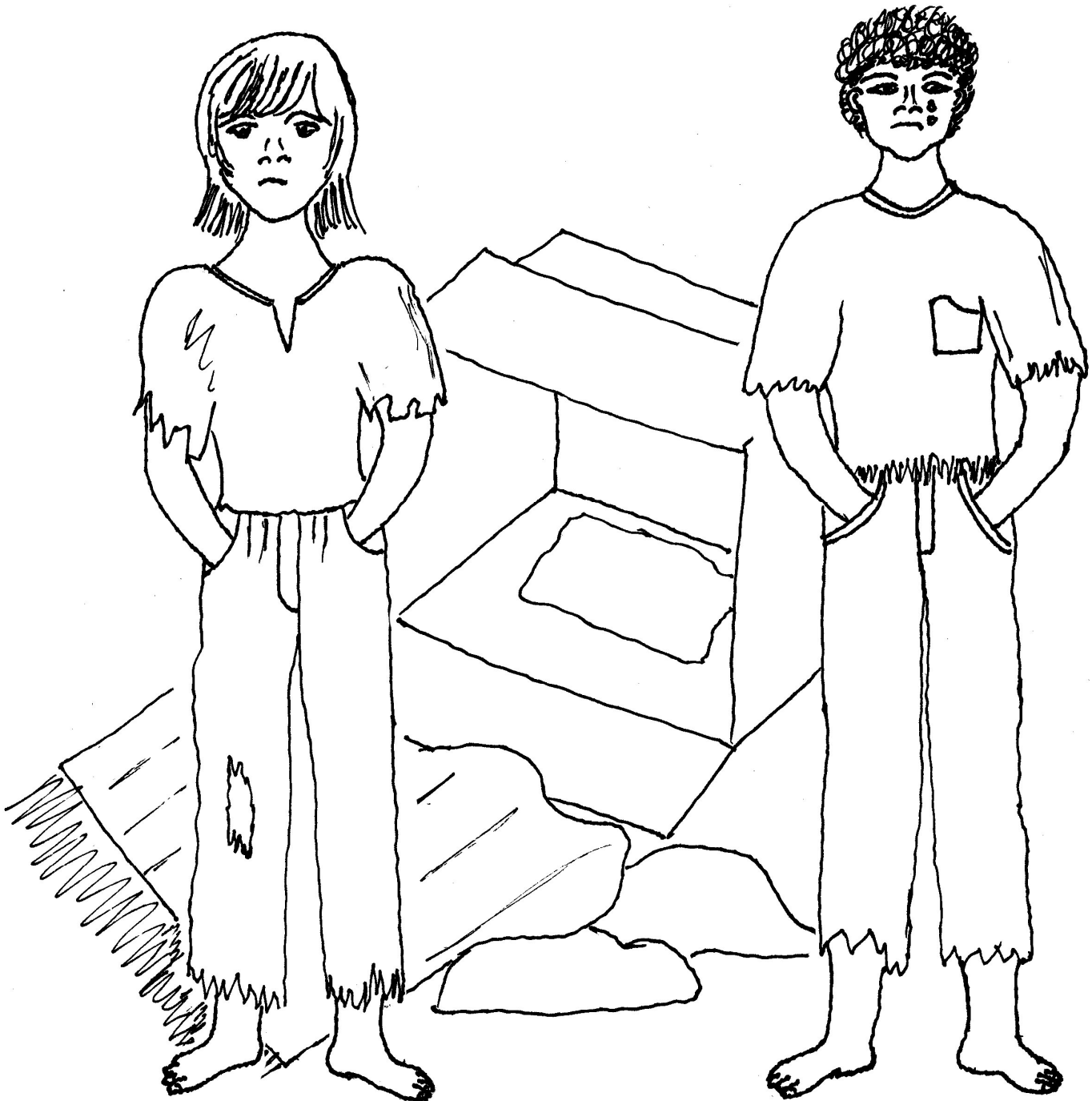
...COME, YOU BLESSED OF MY FATHER, INHERIT THE  
KINGDOM PREPARED FOR YOU FROM THE FOUNDATION OF  
THE WORLD: FOR I WAS HUNDGRY AND YOU GAVE ME  
FOOD; I WAS THIRSTY AND YOU GAVE ME DRINK; I WAS A  
STRANGER AND YOU TOOK ME IN; I WAS NAKED AND YOU  
CLOTHED ME; I WAS SICK AND YOU VISTED ME; THEN THE  
RIGHTEOUS WILL ANSWER HIM, SAYING. "LORD, WHEN DID  
WE SEE YOU HUNGRY AND FEED YOU, OR THIRSTY AND  
GIVE YOU DRINK?" "WHEN DID WE SEE YOU A STRANGER  
AND TAKE YOU IN, OR NAKED AND CLOTHED YOU?"

AND THE KING (JESUS) WILL ANSWER AND SAY TO THEM,  
"ASSUREDLY, I SAY TO YOU, INASMUCH AS YOU DID IT TO  
ONE OF THE LEAST OF THESE MY BRETHREN, YOU DID IT  
TO ME".

MATTHEW 25:34 - 40 Go to [sabbathlessons.com](http://sabbathlessons.com) and look under  
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