

Deuteronomy: God's Covenant People

[#15] *God is God, there is No Other* – Deuteronomy 4:32–40

Sermon Outline – November 12, 2017

Children's Sermon: Evidence & Faith

How did I make the magic tissue move?

How do you know? Can you see the breath coming out of my mouth?

So you believe in something you cannot see?

Faith in Jesus is Like this:

John 14:11

Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me, or else believe on account of the works themselves.

Moses: Keep the Covenant! (4:1–40)

Notes:

Find out what God said, then trust it & do it!

Yahweh was Heard Not Seen: True Worship vs. Idolatry (12–24)

Yahweh will be Faithful: Future Curse & Blessing (4:25–31)

God is God, there is No Other (4:32–40)

God is God, there is No Other:

Gracious Evidence

No One Else Has this Kind of Evidence

³² “For ask now of the days that are past, which were before you, since the day that God created man on the

Any Time?

earth, and ask from one end of heaven to the other,

Any Place?

whether such a great thing as this has ever happened or was ever heard of. ³³ Did any people ever hear the voice

Any People?

of a god speaking out of the midst of the fire (Ex. 24:17 “like a devouring fire”), as you have heard, and still live? ³⁴

Or has any god ever attempted to go and take a nation

Any God?

for himself from the midst of another nation, 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 the Lord your God did for you in Egypt before your eyes?**

Why? What is the Point?

³⁵ **To you it was shown, that you might know that the Lord is God; there is no other besides him.** ³⁶ Out of

heaven he let you hear his voice, that he might **discipline you**.¹ And on earth he let you see his great fire, and you heard his words out of the midst of the fire.³⁷ And because he **loved** your fathers and **chose** their offspring after them and brought you out of Egypt **with his own presence**, by his great power,³⁸ driving out before you nations greater and mightier than you, to bring you in, to give you their land for an inheritance, as it is this day,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.**

How Should Israel Respond?

⁴⁰ **Therefore** you shall keep his statutes and his commandments, which I command you today, *that it may go well with you* and with your children after you, and that you may prolong your days in the land that the Lord your God is giving you for all time.”

Today's Clear Biblical Bullet...

You know Yahweh is God. Therefore, listen carefully to his commands, trust in them and obey them.



No One Reveals God to Us Like Jesus!

No One Else has this kind of *Historical Evidence*

- Buddhism – Began through teachings of one man
- Muhammad – The Quran (One Man)
- Joseph Smith – Book of Mormon (Golden plates: testimonies from eleven men)
- Jehovah's Witnesses – (Charles Russell; Joseph Rutherford)
- Science – (Experts say...)

Yahweh's Self-Revelation

¹ “The verb *discipline* (Piel of *yāsar*) is used in Deut. 8:5 of a man disciplining his son and it has a similar sense here.” Craigie, P. C. (1976). [*The Book of Deuteronomy*](#) (p. 144). Grand Rapids, MI: Wm. B. Eerdmans Publishing Co.

Hebrews 1:1–2a

¹ Long ago, at many times and in many ways, God spoke to our fathers by the prophets, ² but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son...

- Creation
- Noah
- The Patriarchs
- **Moses**
- Joshua
- King David
- The Prophets
- John the Baptist
- **Jesus**
- The Apostles

John 20:30–31

³⁰ Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book; ³¹ but these are written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.

...Fired at our Life & Heart

We have Jesus the living Word of God. In him we have God's promised eternal life!



How Should We Respond?

- Ask good questions of unbelievers (What & Why)
 - Religious Claims...
 - Secular Claims... **Does anybody have evidence like we Christians have?**
- Give yourself to obedience (True Worshippers)
 - Find out what Jesus taught, trust it and do it.
 - Root out & kill every sinful rebellion in us.
- Trust God's Word not private visions or interpretations
 - RC's, JW, & "what that says to me is..."
 - Visions, dreams, "a peace about this..."
 - "The Lord told me..."