

# Part 10 Deuteronomy 32.1 -52

## "Listen"

### Meditation on the future.

*"Listen" [Heb. AZEZ] connotes "to sharpen attention" or "'prick up the ears." The acute faculty of the nervous rabbit comes to mind. The tense of the word that defines our 10th topic in this section is hiphil-"Cause you to give acute attention". The whole idea is to "ponder truth." This Song of Moses is referred to in the Apocalypse-Moses is in his deep prophetic inspirational state as he composes and his delivery was no doubt a combination of the august and the devout speaking to the heart which we associate more often with David. This penultimate section of Deuteronomy calls us to meditate on the state of faith in the last times. Jesus said, "when the Son of man cometh shall He find faith on the earth-the land He loved being first and foremost HA-ERETZ-"the earth"*

## READING No.1 32.1-6

### MEDITATE ON GOD HIS WAYS AND COVENANT

#### MOSES CALL TO HEAVEN TO CENTRE ON HIS WORDS

Listen acutely O Heavens and I will speak on an on [Heb. AADABERAH "heavens" with paragogic which suggests Moses would "persuade them" "wheel them from column to line" "introduce a delay" or "something foreign to them" or "bring a matter to the centre of heaven's interest" "to bring a witness centre stage" and perhaps to do it "protractedly". In some such manner as this we are to understand the "paragogic" nature of Moses speech] and you continue to listen O earth to the words of my mouth. The momentous nature of what Moses has to say makes it little wonder that the song is actually adapted to be sung in heaven as scripture tells us in Revelation 15.3. This original song of Moses encapsulates the wars of the end times-in particular the wars with Rome and with Rosh.

*Mighty your acts and marvellous*

*O God the Sovereign Strong*

*Righteous your ways and true;*

*King of the nations!*

*Who can fail to fear You, O God?*

*Give glory to Your Name?*

*Because You and You only are Holy,*

*All nations will come and worship You.*

*Because they see Your judgments are right.(Petersen)*

#### THE SONG

Let my captivating speech pour down from the heavy dark skies: Let my words stream down or distil gently as dew

*Moses was intent on introducing rain and dew to heaven-the frightening downpour and the gentlest glistening dew*

As the "opening"(of heaven) or "opening of fissures" "clothing" and "burdening" the sprouting herbage:

*As abundant showers upon green vegetables*

For I was proclaiming or will proclaim a name "**Yahweh**" O come on, Greatness-majesty-magnificence- belongs to our God.

*Moses is so enthusiastic about the "Life" that comes from dark clouds and clear alike-life that seems at once to flush like rivers through the young grass-he shouts out God's holiest name-which Jews so revere they will not speak. The race he lead might well feel their great teacher and lawgiver had become incautious in his old age and was taking this name too easily upon his lips-but no! He is giving glory to the Living God who brings life from the dead-who with the suddenness of the former and latter rain commands the sandstone landscapes of the land of milk and honey to undergo a sea-change in a day.*

The Rock-His huge undertaking is perfect-complete-one great "whole"

*The word "Rock [Hebrew ZUR] in the Hebrew text sports an enlarged first letter "Z" which is the symbol for "fish hook". Josephus makes the important point that the book that had been laid up in the "holy house"(a copy of Deuteronomy) told of God prophesying "water from the rock". This prophecy is*

not a desert idyll but a grand **prophetic TORAH** of the life-giving Christ. It was for such reason-where Moses mutated his glory for the glory of Christ in providing salvation that he was dealt with in such stern manner. In His great song His first humble deliverance is to say categorically that the **LORD'S ROCK WORK**- central to this ancient torah- is "complete"-nothing can be added to it-it is "the whole"- and as we know it is **CALVARY'S SALVATION PROVISION**.

For all his ways are just

(1)Moses uses the word for "setting straight"-like the testament or evidence as a judge sets it out. The word is that used for "judge-deliverer" in the book of Judges-so the LORD is spoken of as one whose ways are those of a judge deliverer-who single handed and at the expense of his life like Samson delivers His people. Other images of Christ will be recognisable in the book of Judges-to which this usage of Moses is a very nice introduction.

A Mighty God of faithfulness and absolutely nothing of "turning aside" from truth:

He is righteous and just

(2)Moses pays tribute to the LORD'S steadfastness and to his "equitable administration" and "**just cause**".

(3)Moses as a prophet is aware the LORD has a great cause and it is just. **The "straight" ways of God are "courageous ways"** too as the Hebrew YASHER has connotations of valour besides tranquil evenness.

They have continually been corrupt as putrid sepulchres-morally blemished-not sons: a generation  
perverting God's cause, wrestling with God

(4)Moses describes ancient Israel as "dying bodies" It is not an overstatement-He had seen numerous deaths in the wilderness-there may have been towards 3 million-an average of over 200 deaths per day. Second he describes Israel as trying to turn God's plan on its head by wrestling with Him without gaining his approval-silent wrestlers who did not admit spiritual need.

Is this **THE** repayment or cherishing for **Yahweh!** : O you great fool of a people and not "spiritually"  
wise i.e. with no prophetic discernment

(5)Moses is aghast at the tragedy of a covenant partner treating his best ally as an enemy. The definite article "The" in the Hebrew is writ large as if the windows of heaven are now open and its company stunned by the waywardness of God's people

Is He not your Father and your Possessor? [Hebrew QANAH "your owner"]

(6)Moses reminded Israel that gave Israel spiritual life and also "acquired" the enslaved nation.

He made you and formed you.

(7)These are the Genesis 1 words for the labour the LORD put into preparing for man and for Israel and the loving-kindness He has shown to foster His likeness in man and Israel.

## READING No.2 7-11

### MEDITATE ON YOUR HISTORY

Remember the years of an age: consider as you umpire years of generation upon generation.

Ask your father and he will explain to you: ask your elders and they will tell you

In Elyon's giving inheritance to nations: in His causing sons of Adam to disperse

He was setting up boundaries of peoples to the division of the sons of Israel.

(8)Moses is telling us that there were 12 great divisions of the human race answering to the twelve sons of Israel-so there would have been twelve distinct language groups in that time. We have no absolute evidences extant but Moses spoke of this as a widely recognised fact of the 14th century B.C. To take the 3 sons of Noah and follow the immediate colophons is to discover this virtually proven in the emergence of GOMER, MAGOG (with TUBAL & MESHECH) and JAVAN; CUSH, MIZRAIM, PHUT and CANAAN; ELAM ASSHUR LUD and ARAM. This simple fact is part of the learning of Moses we are in no position to challenge. What is very wonderful is that about 2000 years before the appearance of national Israel God divided Mankind in twelve parts over the one world which is now 5 continents to be a mirror of Israel's heritage

For the LORD'S **share** (of mankind) is His people: Jacob is the **tract of land** of his inheritance.

(9)Moses is telling us that the people named after Jacob are his lot cast and his chain to measure by. God has cast the lot and extended the chain and that is His sovereign purpose.

He found Jacob in a land of desert wilderness -in an empty waste [*Hebrew TOHU-a word used in Genesis for the earth's primeval state*] in a howling lamenting JESHIMON [*The word of the Dead Sea after the judgment of Sodom*]

(10)God met Jacob at Bethel and PENIEL-both pleasant productive places. But God spoke of him as "the seed of Abraham" and so in a sense he was acquired or found close to the time when God destroyed Sodom and Gomorrah. God sought him out in the house of LABAN in Syria so he was reached like a wandering sheep and a lost prodigal by the LORD

He was constantly compassing him; leading him round; making changes in his affairs, constantly umpiring and instructing him: He was watching or keeping him as the little man of His eye

(11)Moses is aware that like himself Jacob received God's regular guidance and instruction. He found his life like that of Moses a "pilgrimage" with a kaleidoscope of changes. God amid all kept him as carefully we guard the pupil of our eye.

Like an eagle that causes its nest to rouse or bestir itself [*Heb. Hiphil of AOR*]; that cherishes and broods over its "plucked" or incompletely feathered young

He will stretch out his wings and take one of them on wing feathers as he soars up on pinions

The LORD alone guided him: and there was no strange god with him.

912) Moses is deriving one of life's great lessons-God is not content with stagnation spiritually. He lead us on-He challenges, changes everything around, redirects. Nevertheless his love is unmistakeable even though his children do not look lovely and are very unsure in the realm of the Spirit. The LORD Jesus as He rescues his Peters enables us to become familiar with the uplift of the Holy Spirit and presently we gain likeness to Him and walk run and mount up with wings as eagles under the thrust of the Holy Spirit. There was absolute adherence to Yahweh with Jacob-he never faltered on his promise to put the LORD at the helm. Moses is deeply affected by the life of Jacob as was David. Elsewhere he refers to Penuel as being "His" experience as well as Jacob's.

## **READING No.3 13-18**

### **MEDITATE ON YOUR FAMILY PAST & PRESENT TRENDS**

#### **ISRAEL'S PATRIARCHAL WELL BEING GUARDED BY THE LORD**

He caused him to ride as a horseman on the heights of the earth: and he ate the produce of the field

He made him suck honey like an infant from the SELA-soft rock; and oil from the flint stone rock. The patriarchal families moved on the peaks and gained the vistas. They ate natural products and made use of the olives and honey produced on the rock strewn mountains. Theirs was a healthy life.

#### **ISRAEL PRIOR TO THE CONQUEST IS CHIDED FOR INDULGENCE**

With curdled milk of the herd and milk of the flock (goats' milk); with fat lambs And rams of BASHAN and he-goats: with the kernel heart (flour) and double yield of wheat. You drank the fermenting blood of the blood red grape: and JESHURUN was becoming fat and kicking. The sequel to conquest of BASHAN and the Golan was that the men of Israel were eating well and through feasting on excellent bread and fine "little beloved Israel"[*Heb JESHURUN from JEISRAELON-a diminutive of affection*] became like a stubborn bullock.

You are prosperous robust nourished -thick with fat-CUSHITE.

Moses was a disciplined man who viewed the people as well nourished-which flew in face of their military mission -soon to be undertaken- and demanding athleticism and superb fitness. Booty of vintage wine and granaries full of wheat had altered the look of the people within a few short months. The reference to CUSHITE indulgence is curious-Moses himself had an Ethiopian wife whom he loved- yet he disapproved of the indulgence typical of the CUSHITES. We get what must be a genuine impression of Moses as a highly disciplined man.

#### **ISRAEL'S RECURRENT TENDENCY TO FORSAKE THE GOD OF HER FATHERS**

He abandoned [*Heb NATASH* by "spreading out" or "dispersing from" God's presence.] God who made him and he accounted a "fool" the Tyre-like rock of his salvation. They made him jealous with their foreign gods: they displeased or irritated him with their abominable (idols); they were sacrificing to demons [Literally "lords"] who were not God-idols that they did not even know-who had come newly in their midst. Your fathers did not shudder in terror. [*Hebrew SHAAR*] You have left behind the Tyre-like ROCK that begat you as a parent might leave a child behind; you forgot the God who kept writhing in pain or was constantly grieved over you.

*Moses is rounding on the current idolatry developing within the nation.*

(1) *It began by men "dispersing" from the camp with the LORD in the centre. Take away the "centrality of Christ" and trouble begins to brew up.*

(2) *The departure continued by speaking disparagingly of God and despising the shelter of His salvation from the raging dangers around.*

(3) *Marriage led them to house foreign gods and to enter the demonic realm unsuspecting of the Satanic rule that was taking hold upon them.*

(4) *The nation became a "fearful" not a "faithful" people where these terror demons had sway.*

(5) *The LORD was neglected-His house no longer visited; the grieving heart of God meant nothing.*

## READING No.4 19-28

### MEDITATE ON YOUR LATTER END

The LORD saw this and despised the sad vexation of his sons and daughters  
And said, "I will cause my face to be hidden from them

**And see what will be their latter end.**

For they are a **changeable** or perverse generation-  
Sons with no faithfulness of character in them.

They continued to provoke me by **Atheism** [*Heb. BELOA EL*]

They irritated me with their empty idols

And I will make them jealous by those who do not (yet) exist as a people

### MOSES NAMES THE CHURCH, PREDICTS THE ROMANS, FORETELLS THE HOLOCAUST

*This prophetic **TORAH** looks to the latter days when God has a mighty corrective in mind for a people some of whom even embraced Atheism to His consternation. The latter day Carl Marx-Jewish co-founder of Marxist Leninism-is a striking fulfilment of this prophecy. **The people as yet unnamed are God's church of the Gentiles of whom Paul says, "I will provoke them to jealousy by them who are no people"-Romans 10.19. The apostle Paul saw the long-term relevance of this ancient prophecy.***

I will cause them **to be provoked** by a nation of foolishness

For a fire has kindled in my anger

It will be kindled to Sheol below

It will devour earth (land) and **those it carries** or its produce

It will engulf in flame the foundations of the hills

I will add **calamity upon calamity** on them

I will empty my quiver of arrows against them

Exhausting famine [*Heb. MEZI RHAAB*] and consuming or warrings of **lightning bow**  
and (a) **my** bitter sadness or cry of lament or "gall" or (b) poisonous destruction or "cutting off"[*Heb MERIRI-used of poisonous snakes-Job 20.25 and with the meaning "distilling"*]

*This prophetic piece takes us to **the latter days** beginning with the "exhausting" famine that brought the defenders of Jerusalem to the depths of despair. Jewish zealots had provoked and fought Rome and brought their nation to its temporary nemesis with the death of 2million Jews. The "lightning bow" describes well the extraordinary engines of the 10th legion which cast stones of a talent weight and great destructive darts or missiles 2 furlongs into the city. As these rained down the Jews ironically called out "The Son cometh"(this saying is confirmed in both Josephus Chaldee edition for Jews in Babylon where it is "BAR" and in his Greek edition for the western dispersion where it is "HUIOS")*

*Incendiaries from the Roman legions burned and pillaged. Jerusalem with its temple went up in flames and thousands fell by the bows and slings of Rome. Then as the later era of the Gentiles came in the terrible "poison gas chambers" of the Third Reich were the setting where 3million Jews died. Thus the LORD of Israel allowed two great tragedies which brought millions of Jews to Sheol. Paul the apostle lived near to the first and we whose lives were set in the 20th century have lived through the second.*

## **THE HOLOCAUST**

*The "Gas Chambers" may be described as Christ's second Calvary-in the sense that the LORD is represented as being offered "gall" there as each Jew was shut in to poison. As He died without resistance Heaven remained passive at this terrible pernicious event of the latter days. When Israel was treated in this inhuman way it was Christ who was so treated also. As the cross resulted in a worldwide gospel of shalom so the holocaust moved the world into another era and the realisation Christ's words "the generation that sees these things will not pass away till the purpose is complete- and God's kingdom of shalom breaks in upon men.*

"I will let loose against them 'the tooth' of beasts  
"with the anger [Heb JAHAM] of serpents of dust

"In the street the sword will bereave them of children and **there will be terror in their inner chambers**

"Young men and also young women, child in arms and the man of grey hairs will be there"

*Shadows of the coliseum and many ignominious acts over the millennia are cast across the history of the Jewish people. He allowed beasts to be released on Daniel but he "shut their mouths". The word "Beast" in Hebrew BAHAM means "to shut the mouth" and Daniel's God who chastises his people in Babylon is Israel's defender too as the story of the 3 brave youths and of Daniel and Esther and Nehemiah show so superbly. The subtle power of the serpent has but one foil-the "uplifted pole of Moses and the cross of Israel's precious Messiah-the all atoning lamb. Through the latter days the ferocity of nature would be used by man to add terror to the plight of the Jews- and Satan would pursue this people like no other with persecution and pogrom and over the so-called Christian centuries many deep injustices have been perpetrated against the nearest kinsmen of Christians -enormities of evil which continue that enmity of the ancient Serpent of Genesis 3.15 into these late ages **but God** has planted the fig tree and we are in times of refreshing and close to the restitution of all things and the dawn of the greatest kingdom in all human history.*

## **THE DISPERSION TO THE ROMAN WORLD**

I said **"I will cause them to be blown away** (like chaff)

"And cause their memory to cease [Heb SHABATH] from mankind.

"If it were not for the provocation or contention of the enemy Assembler

"Lest their adversaries who distress them should continually put it down to their gods or dissimulate

"Lest they should say 'Our hand is victorious'

"The LORD has not prepared all this-there is no one of understanding among them"

*Moses continues with this prophetic word speaking of the international dispersion of the Jews and as in his own day of a further occasion when the LORD would not wipe out the memory of His people despite their resistance to His will. The "Great Assembler" in this context is the Devil who will bring the nations against Israel-in Ezekiel he is known as God the Prince of MAGOG-the age-long foe of God's purpose.*

## **READING No.5 29-39**

### **MEDITATE ON ISRAEL'S**

### **LATEST PERILOUS HOUR WHEN THE LORD RE-ENTERS**

**THE VALUE OF CHRIST THE MEDIATOR THROUGH FAITH IN WHOM THEIR  
TROUBLES MIGHT LONG SINCE HAVE BEEN DIMINISHED**

They **must become** wise to this: **would that** they had godly prudence as to these things  
*Moses uses a future optative and an imperative to express the hope that Israel will gain insight.*

That they might understand by mediator [*Hebrew BIN*] their latter end

How will one of a number chase a thousand and two put to flight ten thousand?

**If their Rock had not sold them** [*Gesenius "to deliver to the power of an enemy Heb. MACAR*]

And the LORD had **caused them to be shut up**

(a) *Josephus records "the document of sale" of Judea in fulfilment of this **prophetic TORAH**. Caesar sent a letter to BASSUS and LIBERIUS MAXIMUS (procurator at the fall of Jerusalem) and "gave orders that all Judea should be exposed for sale."* (Josephus: Wars of the Jews 7.6.6) *It was normal for the Romans to re-populate a conquered land but to fulfil scripture Judea was ordered to be sold and was never properly peopled till the 20th century.*

(b) *The declaration of the Roman general Titus at the fall of Jerusalem fulfils **prophetic TORAH** of the divine deliverance of the nation to its conquerors to the letter. He says, "We have certainly had God for our assistant in this war, and it was no other than God who ejected the Jews out of these fortifications; for what could the hands of men or any machines, do towards overthrowing these towers!"* (Josephus: Wars of the Jews 6.9.1)

*It had been in May-June of 7) A.D. that the priests at in-gathering when ministering in the temple which came under attack in July August heard a sound as of a great multitude saying, "Let us remove thence."*

(c) *The **prophetic TORAH** about their being "shut up" by the LORD is exactly so because those who came for Passover in March April remained in the city. The number regularly attending was of the order of 3 million. The actual number of captives after the end of the siege on 8 Elul-September was 97,000 and the number of slain 1, 100, 000-accounting for about 2 million persons were entrapped-the great bulk of which number came to observe" the LORD'S PASSOVER. Never before had the Jews been attacked on a biblical feast in their land (the plot of Haman during the Captivity in the days of Esther being a notable exception) Josephus writes, "This vast multitude is indeed collected out of remote places, but the entire nation was now shut up by fate, as in prison, and the Roman army encompassed the city when it was crowded with inhabitants. (Wars: 7.1.4)*

For their Tyre-like Rock is not like our Rock

But our enemies are judges in tribunal or inflictors of vengeance

*Moses is referring to the stern justice of the enemies of the Jews as opposed to the throne of intercession and judgment of the God of Israel. The Romans of the future were indeed to be a nation of lawyers with a type of jurisprudence that seeded law-giving throughout Europe-but it was not noted for clemency and could be draconian. Israel's LORD by contrast would act with mercy-the Lord rejoices in mercy.*

For their vine is the vine of Sodom

And from the field of Gomorrah

*Israel's enemies are of "ignoble quality" and degenerate and they are indicted under this image.*

Their grapes are grapes of addiction [*Heb. ROSH "poppy" cf. opium*]

Their clusters a bitter alcoholic flow [*Heb. MARAR*]

*It would appear that Sodom and Gomorrah had the addictions we have re-discovered-drugs and also alcohol had reduced the people to a very corrupt and violent way of life. The Romans also used opium and heavily fermented wine.*

Their wine is the poison of serpents: and their prince or chief as the fierce or virulent head [*Heb. ROSH*] of cobras.

*Israel's enemies are now characterised by the fierceness of their leadership. **The senate of the Romans desired the death of all Jews in the city-but Titus relented.** According to the prophetic oracles of Ezekiel Russia without doubt (Heb ROSH) will prove one of Israel's "fierce" latter day foes.*

Is it not sealed up with Me? a sealed matter under my seal ring in my treasures?

Mine is **vengeance** and "completion" or "restoration" **making peace with a friend** [*Heb. SHALAM*]  
and recompense

At the proper or opportune or time (usage "as known to astrologers"-so to God) their foot will totter  
for the day of their heavy load of calamity is near or is a "short day"

*This reference is to the "completion" of the LORD'S vengeance against Israel's foes. This is at the margins of the restitution of all things which is heralded by a short but terrible calamity that befalls modern Russia and other foes which will yet be ranged against what is now modern Israel.*

And the things that are destined [*The Heb. word is **ATHADH** a cognate of **ATHUDH** the "He goat"-a subtle usage of the Spirit of God which entails the divine awareness of the deepest secrets of the modern age*] rush for him at "excited speed" or "flight speed"[*Heb. HUSH-an onomatopoeic word spoken as "Whoosh"*]

For the LORD will judge His people: and will have continually had pity on or comfort for His servants  
When He sees in the future that **their right hand** is taken away.

*In the last days Israel is to be bereft of her support or "strike power". It is to be taken away or "roll away" quickly as water or yarn or food or strength suddenly fails [Hebrew AAZAL]*

And it is **the extreme end** -there is nothing for the one who has been ruled or oppressed or the one who is free of bonds and in the market place of commodities and wares [Heb. AZAB]

*A significant factor in the last days is a world wide crisis like that of the world when Joseph stored wheat in Egypt. The Spirit of God sets the context of the coming of God's kingdom in a day of financial extremity.*

And He will say "Where are their gods: the Tyre-like rock in which haven they fled for refuge  
"The gods who ate the fat of their sacrifices: and drank the wine of their libations.

"Let them rise up and let them be your war ally [Heb. AAZAR]

"Let them be a protection or defence cover over you."

*The Spirit of the Lord surveys Israel's O.T. sacrificing on the hills-events which Moses could not yet have known naturally-though it may be that BALAAMITE sacrifices were currently being made. Moses sees a time in the latter day when all the pantheon of Israel's dependence will be less than useless and the re-emergence of Sovereign power alone will save the people.*

Look prophetically now **for I myself** am He: there is no mighty God with me!

I put to death and I give life: I have smitten and I will heal

There is none who (can be) a "deliverer" or "escapee" from my hand

*The LORD contrasts His incomparable power with "the loss of defence" which Israel suffers in v.36. The LORD says "It is I, I"-the "I am "of Moses-and He adds, "There is no other god"-none exists. Whether things go against His people or things go well with them-He is behind it all in correction and in comfort.*

## READING No.6 40-47

### MEDITATE ON THE FINAL JOY OF NATIONS

For I lift up my hand of power and authority to the heavens: and I say with commanding authority "I am  
He who lives for perpetuity or ever."

"When I sharpen [Hebrew SHANAN] the weapon of my lightning fast sword-my BERAK

"And my hand is holding it "for" or "nigh to" or "as instrument of" judgment

"I will return vengeance to my adversaries

"And I will requite or make a complete finish of those who hate me

"I will make my arrows drunk to hilarity with blood

*The latter phrase "drunk with blood" has been used of "**rushing in madness to their own destruction**" and it is appropriate to the last short catastrophic war prior to Christ's coming for the very warheads that wound an enemy wound oneself. To strike is to be struck.*

And my sword will eat flesh

*Again the nature of modern weaponry is such that it melts human flesh-even sophisticated conventional armaments have this devastating power but nuclear devices according to any informed reading of Ezekiel 38-9 are used in the last struggles involving Israel*

The blood of the "pierced" [*Heb. HALAL literally "shot through"*] and the captive taken in war. *The significance is that the effect of latter day war does not end with captivity-where chemicals or radioactive substances are in use the flesh even of those who are captive is affected.*

And of the "head" [*Heb. ROSH*] of the army commanders of my enemies.

Cause yourselves to shout for joy with strident voice **with my people O Gentiles,**

For **He will raise up** or preserve alive the blood or slaughter of his servants

*It would appear that Moses is talking not about a "vindication"-the word is not employed-rather a "resurrection" not unlike that we read about in the prophet Ezekiel 37.*

He will return vengeance to His enemies and He must continually make atonement [*Piel of KIPPUR*]  
**for his land -for His people**

*The Song of Moses ends with an imperative that covers the nations of the world and the people of Israel who share with them through faith in the last days of this era. The logic runs:-There is one God, I alone-and no other exists. I will be the resurrection of my own-and gloriously from the perils and ruins of the last war on Israeli soil the LORD Christ will bring up his people as all those who lie scattered-for the time Moses looked towards was the time of Atonement-which was the day on when "sins were forgiven" and also the time when Titus mopped up after his September victory in Jerusalem-also the anniversary of the six-day-war but most wonderfully of all the shadow of what was accomplished on Calvary when the one and alone Saviour of Jew and Gentile gave his life a ransom for many.*

### **READING No.7 44-47**

And Moses came and spoke all the words of this song in the ears of the people-he and Joshua the son of Nun. *This song though capable of being spoken antiphonally was spoken as one composition by its author.* And Moses completed speaking all these words to the entirety of Israel. He said to them "Set the words to belong to your hearts and your hearts to the words." The words which I am the means of witnessing or testifying to you this day which you shall command your sons to keep and do all the words of **this (prophetic) TORAH** for this is not a light word (as from you) for this is your very life and by this word you will extend your days to length upon the land which you go over Jordan to possess.

### **SUMMARY 48-52**

And the LORD said to Moses in the same day numerically [*Heb. AAZAM-"that "strong" day "that "bodily firm" day. It was not a day in which it was at all apparent that Moses would die. He woke well and this word suggests he was even considered "powerful" as a meat eating lion*] saying "Go up to Mount ABARIM-this is Mount Nebo **which is in the land of Moab which is adjacent to Jericho-** and view the land of Canaan which I am giving to the Sons of Israel to hold as a possession. *There is an apparent aside in these words -a geographic note which seems to be the divine direction as to where Moses was to go -which detail Joshua carried in mind for the later written account.*

But you must die on the mountain you are climbing; but there you will be gathered to your people as Aaron your brother died in Mount HOR and was gathered to his people. Because that [*Heb. AL ASHER "because in doing what you did"*] you acted in perfidy [*Heb. MAAAL "by treachery" "covertly" literally "from on high" "beyond their limits": the high handed action-the lifting up of spirit-the taking the place of God was most serious and as poetic justice both these leaders were taken up "high" to the mountains which God made and towards the heavens which are the work of His hands and to see the earth lying below them which is the work of his fingers-but in His great mercy humble and meek as children to fall asleep and awake in His arms.*] against me in the midst of the Sons of Israel at the waters of MERIBAH KADESH-the desert of SIN and "doing what you did" not "continually" setting me apart as holy in the midst of the Sons of Israel. Therefore you will see the land from a position of opposition or removal but you will not go there to the land which I am giving to the Sons of Israel.

*The LORD is holy and is to be revered in all our days. One day of pride and failure to submit to His rule may seriously limit our blessing especially as ministers of the gospel of Christ.*

The End of Part 10 "Meditate"