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The salvation of the Gentiles

The entire Bible contains God's care and plan of salvation for the Gentiles

Deuteronomy chapter 32

32:43 Declare you, gentiles, with all the people of the Lord, for he will avenge the blood of his servants, and avenge his enemies, and purify his land, and redeem his people. Deuteronomy chapter 32

"Rejoice, ye Gentiles, with the people of God; For he will avenge the blood of his servants, and will recompense his enemies, and will cleanse his land, and redeem his people."

In the Old Testament, this passage speaks of God's care and deliverance toward His people, Israel. The word "Gentiles" here refers to people who are not of Israel's nation and are invited to rejoice and praise God with the Israelites. The text emphasizes that God will avenge his enemies, cleanse and save his people.

From a biblical perspective, God's concern for Gentiles did not begin at a particular point in time, but continued throughout biblical history. As early as the Old Testament, there are records of God's fellowship with Gentiles.

In the Old Testament, God did not focus only on the nation of Israel, but expressed care and love for the whole world. For example, Abraham is seen as an important figure because God promised him to be the father of many nations (Genesis 17:4-6), implying that God's blessings were not limited to Israel but extended to other nations as well.

But in the New Testament, the coming of Jesus Christ specifically highlights God's concern for the salvation of Gentiles. Jesus' teachings and mission are universal, and His redemptive work is

no longer limited to Israel, but open to all. Jesus made several contacts with Gentiles in the Gospels and expressed appreciation for their faith (Matthew 8:5-13, Luke 7:1-10, etc.).

Paul became an apostle who preached the gospel among the Gentiles and emphasized that God's salvation is available for all (Romans 1:16). He preached everywhere, and many Gentiles believed in Christ and became Christians. In the book of Acts and in Paul's epistles, there are many accounts of how God's salvation extended to the Gentiles.

So, while the Old and New Testaments have different emphases, the entire Bible contains God's care and plan of salvation for the Gentiles. There are many references in the Bible to God's concern for Gentiles and his call to them. Here are some related verses:

The Book of Jonah (The Book of Jonah): The book of Jonah is the story of the prophet Jonah who was sent to prophesy the destruction of Nineveh, but the people of Nineveh repented and God changed His judgment. This book highlights God's care and mercy for the Gentiles (Jonah 4:11).

Isaiah: There are some prophecies in the book of Isaiah about the Gentiles, indicating that God's salvation is not limited to the Israelites. For example, the book of Isaiah mentions that Gentiles will seek God in the future (Isaiah 2:2-4).

Matthew: In the New Testament, Jesus' contact with Gentiles is well documented. For example, Jesus heals the sons of the Gentiles (Matthew 8:5-13) and praises the faith of the Gentiles (Matthew 15:21-28).

Acts: The book of Acts records how apostles such as Paul preached the gospel to Gentiles and many were converted by faith in Christ.

Romans: Paul emphasizes in Romans that God's salvation is universal and available to all believers, Jew or Gentile (Romans 3:29-30).

These verses provide examples of God's concern for Gentiles in the Bible, highlighting God's concern and plan of salvation for the entire world, not just for a particular people.

We pray

Dear Heavenly Father, thank You for Your endless love and care. Thank You that Your love for everyone is equal and universal, regardless of ethnicity or background. Today we especially pray for the Gentiles to come to You.

Open their hearts so that they can experience Your love like this. May Your love and grace touch their lives and make them realize Your truth and goodness. Send people to preach the gospel so that those lost hearts can find salvation and comfort.

Demonstrate Your wisdom and mercy in the lives of the Gentiles so that they may see Your work in this world and Your good plans for everyone. May they be drawn to seek and know You because of Your love.

Lord, may Your Holy Spirit come among the Gentiles and guide them to Your ways. May they find peace and joy in Your love to know and experience Your salvation.

We pray in the name of Jesus Christ, amen.

Deuteronomy chapter 32

De. 32:1 Listen, O heavens, and I will speak; hear, O earth, the words of my mouth.

De. 32:2 Let my teaching fall like rain and my words descend like dew, like showers on new grass, like abundant rain on tender plants.

De. 32:3 I will proclaim the name of the LORD. Oh, praise the greatness of our God!

De. 32:4 He is the Rock, his works are perfect, and all his ways are just. A faithful God who does no wrong, upright and just is he.

De. 32:5 They have acted corruptly towards him; to their shame they are no longer his children, but a warped and crooked generation.

De. 32:6 Is this the way you repay the LORD, O foolish and unwise people? Is he not your Father, your Creator, who made you and formed you?

De. 32:7 Remember the days of old; consider the generations long past. Ask your father and he will tell you, your elders, and they will explain to you.

De. 32:8 When the Most High gave the nations their inheritance, when he divided all mankind, he set up boundaries for the peoples according to the number of the sons of Israel.

De. 32:9 For the LORD's portion is his people, Jacob his allotted inheritance.

De. 32:10 In a desert land he found him, in a barren and howling waste.

He shielded him and cared for him; he guarded him as the apple of his eye,

De. 32:11 like an eagle that stirs up its nest and hovers over its young, that spreads its wings to catch them and carries them on its pinions.

De. 32:12 The LORD alone led him; no foreign god was with him. De. 32:13 He made him ride on the heights of the land and fed him with the fruit of the fields. He nourished him with honey from the rock, and with oil from the flinty crag,

De. 32:14 with curds and milk from herd and flock and with fattened lambs and goats, with choice rams of Bashan and the finest grains of wheat. You drank the foaming blood of the grape.

De. 32:15 Jeshurun grew fat and kicked; filled with food, he became heavy and sleek. He abandoned the God who made him and rejected the Rock his Saviour.

De. 32:16 They made him jealous with their foreign gods and angered him with their detestable idols.

De. 32:17 They sacrificed to demons, which are not God — gods they had not known, gods that recently appeared, gods your fathers did not fear.

De. 32:18 You deserted the Rock, who fathered you; you forgot the God who gave you birth.

De. 32:19 The LORD saw this and rejected them because he was angered by his sons and daughters.

De. 32:20 "I will hide my face from them," he said, "and see what their end will be; for they are a perverse generation, children who are unfaithful.

De. 32:21 They made me jealous by what is no god and angered me with their worthless idols. I will make them envious by those who are not a people; I will make them angry by a nation that has no understanding.

De. 32:22 For a fire has been kindled by my wrath, one that burns to the realm of death below. It will devour the earth and its harvests and set on fire the foundations of the mountains.

De. 32:23 “I will heap calamities upon them and expend my arrows against them.

De. 32:24 I will send wasting famine against them, consuming pestilence and deadly plague; I will send against them the fangs of wild beasts, the venom of vipers that glide in the dust.

De. 32:25 In the street the sword will make them childless; in their homes terror will reign. Young men and young women will perish, infants and grey-haired men.

De. 32:26 I said I would scatter them and blot out their memory from mankind,

De. 32:27 but I dreaded the taunt of the enemy, lest the adversary misunderstand and say, ‘Our hand has triumphed; the LORD has not done all this.’“

De. 32:28 They are a nation without sense, there is no discernment in them.

De. 32:29 If only they were wise and would understand this and discern what their end will be!

De. 32:30 How could one man chase a thousand, or two put ten thousand to flight, unless their Rock had sold them, unless the LORD had given them up?

De. 32:31 For their rock is not like our Rock, as even our enemies concede.

De. 32:32 Their vine comes from the vine of Sodom and from the fields of Gomorrah. Their grapes are filled with poison, and their clusters with bitterness.

De. 32:33 Their wine is the venom of serpents, the deadly poison of cobras.

De. 32:34 “Have I not kept this in reserve and sealed it in my vaults? De. 32:35 It is mine to avenge; I will repay. In due time their foot will slip; their day of disaster is near and their doom rushes upon them.”

De. 32:36 The LORD will judge his people and have compassion on his servants when he sees their strength is gone and no-one is left, slave or free.

De. 32:37 He will say: “Now where are their gods, the rock they took refuge in,

De. 32:38 the gods who ate the fat of their sacrifices and drank the wine of their drink offerings? Let them rise up to help you! Let them give you shelter!

De. 32:39 “See now that I myself am He! There is no god besides me. I put to death and I bring to life, I have wounded and I will heal, and no-one can deliver out of my hand.

De. 32:40 I lift my hand to heaven and declare: As surely as I live for ever,

De. 32:41 when I sharpen my flashing sword and my hand grasps it in judgment, I will take vengeance on my adversaries and repay those who hate me.

De. 32:42 I will make my arrows drunk with blood, while my sword devours flesh: the blood of the slain and the captives, the heads of the enemy leaders.”

De. 32:43 Rejoice, O nations, with his people, for he will avenge the blood of his servants; he will take vengeance on his enemies and make atonement for his land and people.

De. 32:44 Moses came with Joshua son of Nun and spoke all the words of this song in the hearing of the people.

De. 32:45 When Moses finished reciting all these words to all Israel, De. 32:46 he said to them, "Take to heart all the words I have solemnly declared to you this day, so that you may command your children to obey carefully all the words of this law.

De. 32:47 They are not just idle words for you — they are your life. By them you will live long in the land you are crossing the Jordan to possess."

De. 32:48 On that same day the LORD told Moses,

De. 32:49 "Go up into the Abarim Range to Mount Nebo in Moab, across from Jericho, and view Canaan, the land I am giving the Israelites as their own possession.

De. 32:50 There on the mountain that you have climbed you will die and be gathered to your people, just as your brother Aaron died on Mount Hor and was gathered to his people.

De. 32:51 This is because both of you broke faith with me in the presence of the Israelites at the waters of Meribah Kadesh in the Desert of Zin and because you did not uphold my holiness among the Israelites.

De. 32:52 Therefore, you will see the land only from a distance; you will not enter the land I am giving to the people of Israel."

Chapter 32 of the Book of Deuteronomy is a poetic song composed by Moses, which he taught to the Israelites before his death. The song recounts God's faithfulness to the Israelites throughout their history, from their enslavement in Egypt to their entrance into the Promised Land. It also warns the Israelites of the consequences of turning away from God and worshiping other gods. The song concludes with a call to the Israelites to return to the Lord and to rejoice in His salvation. Moses then blesses the Israelites and tells them that he will soon die, but that God will continue to lead and protect them.

Here are some key verses from Deuteronomy chapter 32 in the Christian Bible:

- "Give ear, O heavens, and I will speak; and let the earth hear the words of my mouth." (Deuteronomy 32:1)

- "For I will proclaim the name of the Lord; ascribe greatness to our God!" (Deuteronomy 32:3)

- "He found him in a desert land, and in the howling waste of the wilderness; he encircled him, he cared for him, he kept him as the apple of his eye." (Deuteronomy 32:10)

- "You were unmindful of the Rock that bore you; you forgot the God who gave you birth." (Deuteronomy 32:18)

- "See now that I, even I, am he; there is no god beside me. I kill and I make alive; I wound and I heal; and no one can deliver from my hand." (Deuteronomy 32:39) Chapter 33 of the Book of Deuteronomy contains the final blessing of Moses to the tribes of Israel before his death. He blesses each tribe individually, using poetic language and imagery to describe their unique characteristics and strengths. Moses also speaks of the greatness of God, and how God has helped the Israelites throughout their history, providing them with protection, guidance, and sustenance. He encourages the people to trust in God and follow His commands. The chapter ends with the account of the death of Moses, who is said to have been buried by God in an unknown location.

Chapter 32 of the Book of Deuteronomy contains the song of Moses, which serves as a powerful reflection on the faithfulness, righteousness, and justice of God, as well as the rebellion and faithlessness of the Israelites. Here is a reflection on some key themes and lessons from this chapter:

The Faithfulness of God: The song of Moses begins by proclaiming the greatness and faithfulness of God. It acknowledges God as the Rock, perfect in all His ways, and emphasizes that all His works are just and true. This highlights the unwavering trustworthiness of God and His steadfastness in fulfilling His promises. It prompts us to place our faith in God's faithfulness, knowing that He is trustworthy and His ways are perfect.

The Rebellion and Faithlessness of the Israelites: The song goes on to describe the rebellious and faithless nature of the Israelites, who turned away from God despite His abundant provision and protection. It recounts their idolatry, ingratitude, and lack of faith. This serves as a sobering reminder of the human tendency to stray from God's ways and highlights the consequences of disobedience. It prompts us to examine our own hearts and actions, guarding against the lure of idolatry and cultivating a heart of gratitude and faithfulness towards God.

God's Justice and Judgment: The song speaks of God's righteous judgment upon the Israelites for their rebellion. It emphasizes that God will not let injustice go unpunished and that He will vindicate His people. This reveals God's commitment to justice and His role as the ultimate judge. It prompts us to trust in God's justice, knowing that He will bring righteousness and judgment to every situation, and encourages us to live in accordance with His righteous ways.

God's Mercy and Salvation: Despite the Israelites' faithlessness and disobedience, the song also highlights God's mercy and His desire to save His people. It acknowledges that when the Israelites face distress and suffering, God will have compassion on them and come to their rescue. This demonstrates God's steadfast love and His willingness to extend mercy even in the face of deserved judgment. It prompts us to seek God's mercy and salvation in times of need, knowing that He is compassionate and ready to deliver us.

God's Victory and Redemption: The song concludes with the assurance of God's ultimate victory and redemption. It declares that God will avenge His people, bring judgment upon the nations, and restore His chosen ones. This highlights God's power and His commitment to His people's ultimate restoration and vindication. It prompts us to trust in God's victory and redemption, even in the midst of trials and challenges, knowing that He is ultimately in control and will bring about His purposes.

In summary, Deuteronomy 32 prompts reflection on the themes of God's faithfulness, the rebellion and faithlessness of humanity, God's justice and judgment, His mercy and salvation, and His ultimate victory and redemption. These reflections call us to trust in God's faithfulness and righteousness, to guard against rebellion and faithlessness, to seek His mercy and salvation,

and to rest in His ultimate victory and redemption. They remind us of the need for obedience and faithfulness, the consequences of straying from God's ways, and the assurance of His justice and mercy.

