

## Sermon Notes | Choose to Make God your Rock - Deuteronomy 31 - 32

### **Life is Volatile (Deuteronomy 31:1-2)**

1 So Moses continued to speak these words to all Israel. 2 And he said to them, "I am 120 years old today. I am no longer able to go out and come in. The Lord has said to me, 'You shall not go over this Jordan.'

Three ways to build our lives on God as our Rock:

- His Presence
- His Word
- His Reminders

### **1. God Gives His Presence 31:3-8**

3 The Lord your God himself will go over before you. ... 4 And the Lord will do to them as he did to Sihon and Og, the kings of the Amorites, ... 5 And the Lord will give them over to you, ...

### **1. God Gives His Presence 31:3-8**

6 Be strong and courageous. ... for it is the Lord your God who goes with you.  
7 ... "Be strong and courageous, ... 8 It is the Lord who goes before you...do not be dismayed.

### **2. God Gives His Word (9-18)**

9 Then Moses wrote this law and gave it to the priests, ... "At the end of every seven years, ... read this law before all Israel in their hearing. ... that they may hear and learn to fear the Lord your God, ... 13 and that their children, who have not known it, may hear and learn to fear the Lord your God, ..."

Center for Bible Engagement

Feeling lonely drops 30%  
Anger issues drop 32%  
Bitterness in relationships drops 40%  
Alcoholism drops 57%  
Sex outside of marriage drops 68%

Feeling spiritually stagnant drops 60%  
Viewing pornography drops 61%  
Sharing your faith jumps 200%  
Discipling others jumps 230%

### **2. God Gives His Word (9-18)**

Literally God 'speaks' to Moses and Joshua! (1st time tent).

14 And the Lord said to Moses, "... Call Joshua and present yourselves in the tent of meeting, that I may commission him..."

16 ... "Behold, you are about to lie down with your fathers. Then this people will rise and whore after the foreign gods ...will forsake me and break my covenant ...my anger will be

kindled ... and they will be devoured. And many evils and troubles will come upon them, ... 18  
And I will surely hide my face in that day ...

### **3. God Gives a Reminder (31:19-30 & 32:1-47) A SONG!**

The Purpose of the Song (31:19-22)

19 "... write this song and teach it to the people of Israel. Put it in their mouths, ... a witness for me against the people ... 20 For when I have brought them into the land flowing with milk and honey, ... they have eaten and are full and grown fat, they will turn to other gods and serve them, and despise me and break my covenant... (It will live unforgotten in the mouths of their offspring).

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#### **a. God is a Perfect Rock (32:4)**

4 "The Rock, his work is perfect,...  
11 Like an eagle that stirs up its nest,  
...catching them, bearing them on its pinions,  
12 the Lord alone guided him,

#### **b. God is the Rock of Salvation (32:15)**

15 ... the Rock of his salvation...  
1 Corinthians 10:4  
"...they drank from the spiritual rock that followed them, and the rock was Christ."

#### **c. God is the Rock who Bore You (32:18)**

18 You were unmindful of the Rock that bore you,  
and you forgot the God who gave you birth.

#### **d. God is a Rock unlike any Other (32:31)**

31 For their rock is not as our Rock;  
37 Then he will say, 'Where are their gods,  
the rock in which they took refuge,...'

### **Big Idea: Choose to Make God your Rock**

Application:

1. Read the word of God at least 4x per week.
2. Play worship music all around you.
3. Listen to Testimonies. (Delafe Testimonies- YouTube Channel)
4. Journal.

## Discussion Guide | Choose to Make God your Rock - Deuteronomy 31 - 32

### **Questions:.**

- What did God speak to you from the sermon?

### **Read Deuteronomy 31:1-2**

- How are you currently, or have you previously, experienced the instability of life?

### **Read Deuteronomy 31:3-8**

- What is your experience of having the presence and encouragement of God?

### **Read Deuteronomy 31:9-18**

- What is your current daily and weekly experience with God's word?

### **Read Deuteronomy 31:19-22**

- How could you grow in reminding yourself of God's Character?

### **Read Deuteronomy 32: 4, 15, 18, and 31**

- What does it mean that God is our rock?
- How are you trusting Him to be your rock?