

THE BOOK OF DEUTERONOMY

Introduction – Chapter 4

Author and date

Who is the author of the book of Deuteronomy?

How does modern scholarship view the authorship and date of the composition of the book of Deuteronomy?

Can an authoritative document undergo slight modifications without violating the primary authorship?

Title

What does the word Deuteronomy mean?

Structure

What is the five-part structure of the book of Deuteronomy?

Content and themes

How is Deuteronomy unique among the books of the Pentateuch?

What is the primary function of the book?

Christian perspective

How has Deuteronomy impacted Christian thinking from the beginning?

(Read 1:1) Is Deuteronomy a record of farewell sermons given by Moses? (Note 1:1)

(Read 1:2) Where is Mount Horeb (Note 1:2)

(Read 1:3) What is meant by the 40th year? (Note 1:3)

What is the historical prologue that is presented in chapters 1 through four? (Note 1:6–4:49)

(Read 1:8) What is meant by the land? (Note 1:8)

(Read 1:19–33) Is God involved in the conquest of Canaan? (Note 1:30)
(Note 1:31)

(Read 1:34–40) Who is allowed to enter the promised land after Israel's rebellion? (Note 1:37) (Note 1:39)

What happens in the final leg of the Wilderness journey? (Note 2:1–3:11)

(Read 2:4) (Who are the Edomites? (Note 2:4)

(Read 2:9) Who are the Moabites? (Note 2:9)

(Read 2:14) When did the apostasy and Kadesh occur? (Note 2:14)

(Read 3:12-17) What tribes took possession of the Transjordan territory? (Note 3:12-17)

(Read 3:23–29) Does Moses get to enter the promised land? (Note 3:25)

(Read 4:1–3) What happened at Baal-Peor? (Note 4:3)

(Read 4:12) What is the proper understanding of the command not to worship graven images? (Note 4:12)

(Read 4:25-31) (How do the blessings and curses play into Israel's future? (Note 4:25-31)