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Deuteronomy 27.

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(A brief overview of the main topics).

INTRODUCTION: this is a continuation of the previous chapter, Israel is soon to cross over the River Jordan and enter into the Promised Land. The primary focus of all the following chapters is upon Moses re-telling to the new generation about to cross the River Jordan all the covenant laws the LORD originally gave to Israel at Mount Sinai so that the new generation would renew the covenant with the LORD before they enter the Promised Land. The final chapter finishes with the LORD burying Moses and Joshua being ready to lead Israel over the River Jordan and into the Promised Land (see also the introduction to chapter one).

NOTE: for information of people, places and the meaning of words see Map Locations and People of the Bible, and Bible Dictionary on Website Menu.

An altar built on Mount Ebal: Moses and the elders commanded the people of Israel to set up an altar on Mount Ebal, to the LORD on the very day they cross over the River Jordan and enter the Promised Land. It was to be built with large uncut stones they could plaster them, but not wield any iron tool on the stones for the altar. They were to write very plainly on the stones all the words of the law and offer burnt offerings and sacrifice peace offerings and eat them at the altar and rejoice before the LORD their God.

Israel becomes the people of the LORD: Moses and the Levitical priests said to all Israel, "Keep silent and hear O Israel: this day you have become the people of the LORD your God. Obey the voice of the LORD and keep His commandments and His statutes that Moses has commanded them that day" (Deut 27:9).

NOTE: the commandments embrace all the commandments Moses has spoken in all the previous chapters.

Mount Gerizim the Blessing and Mount Ebal the Curse: Moses tells the people when they have crossed over the Jordan River, Simeon, Levi, Judah, Issachar, Joseph and Benjamin were to stand on Mount Gerizim to bless the people and Reuben, Gad, Asher, Zebulun, Dan, and Naphtali were to stand on Mount Ebal for the curse.

Mount Ebal and the Curse: the Levites were to declare all the curses to all the men of Israel in a loud voice by saying the cursed is anyone who: -

- Makes a carved or cast metal image to the LORD and sets it up in secret.
- Dishonours his father or his mother.
- Moves his neighbour's landmark.
- Misleads a blind man on the road.
- Perverts the justice due to the sojourner, the fatherless and the widow.
- Lies with his father's wife.
- Lies with any kind of animal.
- Lies with his sister, whether the daughter of his father or the daughter of his mother.
- Lies with his mother-in-law.
- Strikes down his neighbour in secret.

- Takes a bribe to shed innocent blood.
- Does not confirm the words of this law by doing them.

All the people of Israel were to say, “Amen” to all these curses.

End.