

**The Conclusion of the Law, the Mosaic Covenant:
The Rewards of Obedience
Exodus 23:20–33**

1. Reward 1:

***God's special Angel (messenger),
His protection and guidance
to the promised land***

- a. The believer's duty:
To heed, obey and not rebel
against God's Angel
- 1) Because He will not forgive
 - 2) Because God's name is in Him
- b. The promises of God:
Are conditional —
if His people fully obey
- 1) God will stand against
the enemies of His people
 - 2) God's Angel (messenger)
will guide His people
to the promised land
 - 3) God will wipe out all enemies

2. Reward 2:

***God's special provision
and blessing***

- a. The believer's obligation
- 1) You must not worship
or follow the false gods
 - 2) You must worship the LORD
(JEHOVAH, YAHWEH)
and Him alone
- b. The promises of God
- 1) God will bless the food, water
and health of His people
 - 2) God will give many off-spring
and give a long, fulfilling life

20 "See, I am sending an angel ahead of you
to guard you along the way
and to bring you to the place I have prepared.

21 Pay attention to him and listen to what he says.
Do not rebel against him;
he will not forgive your rebellion,
since my Name is in him.

22 If you listen carefully to what he says
and do all that I say,
I will be an enemy to your enemies
and will oppose those who oppose you.

23 My angel will go ahead of you
and bring you into the land of the Amorites,
Hittites, Perizzites, Canaanites, Hivites
and Jebusites, and I will wipe them out.

24 Do not bow down before their gods
or worship them or follow their practices.
You must demolish them
and break their sacred stones to pieces.

25 Worship the LORD your God,
and his blessing will be on your food and water.
I will take away sickness from among you,

26 and none will miscarry
or be barren in your land.
I will give you a full life span.

3. *Reward 3:*

God's conquering power and gift of the promised land

a. The promises of God

- 1) God will cause the enemies of His people to fear, become confused and flee
- 2) God will send the hornet (a symbol of the power of God) to drive out all enemies
- 3) God will carefully plan the deliverance of His people: Will defeat the enemies
 - To save the land
 - To give the people time to multiply
- 4) God will give His people the promised land, a great land
 - Stretching from the Red Sea to the Philistine Sea (Mediterranean)
 - Stretching from the desert (southern border) to the river (northern border)

b. The believers obligation: Total separation from unbelievers

- 1) You must make no covenants with unbelievers
- 2) You must not let unbelievers live with you
 - Because of their influence
 - Because of their false gods: Would be a snare to you

27 "I will send my terror ahead of you and throw into confusion every nation you encounter. I will make all your enemies turn their backs and run.

28 I will send the hornet ahead of you to drive the Hivites, Canaanites and Hittites out of your way.

29 But I will not drive them out in a single year, because the land would become desolate and the wild animals too numerous for you.

30 Little by little I will drive them out before you, until you have increased enough to take possession of the land.

31 "I will establish your borders from the Red Sea to the Mediterranean Sea, and from the desert to the Euphrates River. I will give into your hands the people who live in the land, and you will drive them out before you.

32 Do not make a covenant with them or with their gods.

33 Do not let them live in your land or they will cause you to sin against me, because the worship of their gods will certainly be a snare to you."