

**Obey God's Laws and Acknowledge That the LORD,
He and He Alone Is God
Deuteronomy 04:01–08**

**1. Listen to God's laws and obey
His laws: That you may live and
inherit the promised land of God
(a symbol of heaven,
of spiritual conquest and rest)**

- a. You must not add to nor subtract from God's commandments: Simply obey them
- b. You must not commit the sins of Baal Peor: Immorality and false worship (Num 25:1-18)
 - 1) The result: Judgment death
 - 2) The escape: Must hold fast to the LORD to live and escape judgment
- c. You must obey God's law after reaching the promised land: Obey while seeking victory and rest over the enemies of the promised land

**2. Remember
the results of obedience:
What happens when
you carefully obey God's law**

- a. You will bear a strong testimony and witness: Others will declare that you are wise and understanding

- 1 "Now, Israel, hear the decrees and laws I am about to teach you. Follow them so that you may live and may go in and take possession of the land the LORD, the God of your ancestors, is giving you.
- 2 Do not add to what I command you and do not subtract from it, but keep the commands of the LORD your God that I give you.
- 3 You saw with your own eyes what the LORD did at Baal Peor. The LORD your God destroyed from among you everyone who followed the Baal of Peor,
- 4 but all of you who held fast to the LORD your God are still alive today.
- 5 See, I have taught you decrees and laws as the LORD my God commanded me, so that you may follow them in the land you are entering to take possession of it.
- 6 Observe them carefully, for this will show your wisdom and understanding to the nations, who will hear about all these decrees and say, 'Surely this great nation is a wise and understanding people.'

b. You will have the presence
and power of God
when you pray

c. You will learn to cherish
the law of God —
all because it is righteous
(fair, just)

7 What other nation is so great
as to have their gods near them
the way the LORD our God is near us
whenever we pray to him?

8 And what other nation is so great
as to have such righteous decrees and laws
as this body of laws
I am setting before you today?"