

**1. The beginning of unrighteousness**

- a) Deuteronomy 32:3-4 – The LORD is righteous.
- b) Deuteronomy 25:16 – How does the LORD regard unrighteousness?
- c) When did unrighteousness begin? Ezekiel 28:14-16
- d) How would you define unrighteousness? 1 John 3:4
- e) How did Satan tempt our first parents to act in an unrighteous manner? Genesis 3:1-6
- f) What law did Adam transgress when he ate the fruit from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil?
- g) How has Adam’s sin impacted the entire human race? Romans 5:12, Romans 3:23
- h) How do we become aware that our lives are out of harmony with the will of God? (Romans 7:7)

**2. Law emphasized in Deuteronomy**

- a) Deuteronomy 30:9-10 What is the foundation for obeying the commandments and statutes of the LORD?
- b) Deuteronomy 32:45-47 Why is obedience to God’s law so important?
- c) What happens when we begin to view obedience to God’s law as a way to earn His love or merit salvation?

- d) Share some Bible texts that clearly teach salvation does not come by law keeping. Romans 3:20, 3:28, Galatians 2:20-21
- e) When did you come to realize God’s law was given not to earn God’s love and favor but as a blessing and a hedge of protection? (Deuteronomy 10:12-13)
- f) How can we avoid the trap of legalism, thinking our obedience to God’s law earns His love and favor?

**3. Grace revealed in Deuteronomy**

- a) Deuteronomy 5:6 Who took the initiative in providing deliverance for the children of Israel who were in bondage? (see also Micah 6:4)
- b) What part did the children of Israel have to play in their deliverance? Deuteronomy 26:7-8, Exodus 14:21-22
- c) How do the words of the apostle Paul in Ephesians 2:8-9 and Romans 10:13 parallel the truth about salvation revealed in the Book of Deuteronomy?
- d) Where in the Bible do you find wonderful illustrations of salvation as a gift of God’s grace and not the result of our own works? Luke 23:39-43, Acts 9:1-20, Jonah 2:1-2,10, etc.
- e) How have you experienced the grace of God in your own life? Where were you when the LORD found you and redeemed you?

