

WORD

¹¹“But the land that you are going over to possess is a land of hills and valleys, which drinks water by the rain from heaven, ¹²a land that the LORD your God cares for. The eyes of the LORD your God are always upon it, from the beginning of the year to the end of the year.” **DEUTERONOMY 11:11,12**

God was about to bring His people into the Promised Land, and He was showing them what kind of place it was. The place God was bringing them into was ordained and blessed by Him. In the same way, we are blessed when we are in the place God wants us to be—not where we think is right or most beneficial for us. In this lesson, we will look at three key characteristics of the place God was bringing His people into, and how this applies to us.

1 A Place of Obedience

⁸“You shall therefore keep the whole commandment that I command you today, that you may be strong, and go in and take possession of the land that you are going over to possess, ⁹and that you may live long in the land that the LORD swore to your fathers to give to them and to their offspring, a land flowing with milk and honey.”

DEUTERONOMY 11:8,9

The blessings and benefits were hinged on the obedience of God’s people. God had given His people specific commands to love and obey Him, and He expected full and complete obedience. Success, blessings, and wealth are not the things we are to seek after. Instead, the Bible commands us to seek after God and His kingdom first, and all these things will be added to us as well (Matthew 6:33). Why is obedience central in our relationship with God?

2 A Place of New Things

¹⁰“For the land that you are entering to take possession of it is not like the land of Egypt, from which you have come, where you sowed your seed and irrigated it, like a garden of vegetables. ¹¹But the land that you are going over to possess is a land of hills and valleys, which drinks water by the rain from heaven . . .” **DEUTERONOMY 11:10,11**

The Lord made a distinction between the land they came from—Egypt—and the land they were about to enter. This was a land flowing with milk and honey that thrived in God’s blessings. The abundant blessings God was about to give His people meant letting go of their old ways in Egypt and embracing the new things He was about to do. Why do you think we sometimes hold on to our old ways and place? Why should we trust God as He brings us into new and beautiful things?

3 A Place of Security

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The place God was bringing His people into was a land He cared for. His faithfulness and love is undeniable and amazing. He cares for His people, He is consistent, and He brings security that no one else can. As His children, we are called to a place of security and strength in Him. Share how you have learned to be secure in God where He has placed you.
