

5:23-26. The witness of the elders and heads of the tribes. Note the confidence that has been gained in Moses (v. 24)..he has talked with God and lived.

5:27....The commitment is not a mistake (cf. Ex 20:19) but was not a very deep commitment, <sup>thought</sup>

5:28....the Lord heard and was pleased

5:29....The Lord expresses a desire that their words are accurate

5:30..but the arrangement is accepted

5:31....The people return to their tents but Moses remains to hear:

commandments  
statutes  
judgments

all \ / of which he will teach Israel to do.

5:32....Moses speaks to the people advising them to follow the law of God directly, turning neither to the left nor right...

5:33....And they shall walk that way in order that they

may live  
have things well  
and prolong their days.

### III. Conclusion

The voice of God is the authority of the law. Moses is His spokesman but God is the giver both in form and content. Moses is reminding his followers of an event that took place about 38 years ago and implicit in his thought is the fact that if Israel had really meant what they said, the whole of history would have been better and his personal lot much advantaged. The past, however, cannot be changed but it gives a big clue as to how to live in the present and prepare for the future. We will see more of it in lessons to come and hope you are able to be with us then. For the present, may God bless you and keep you.

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### Lesson # 16

### Deuteronomy 6:1-25

### THE PLACE OF THE LAW

#### I. Introduction

Hello and welcome again to our Deuteronomy study. We come today to chapter 6, a happy chapter where we get a good picture of the place of the law in the lives of the Lord's people. We may use the word "law" in different ways. It may mean, of course, just the ten