

Outline for Sabbath School Teachers with ideas for group discussion inspired by the Teachers' Edition of the Sabbath School Lesson prepared by the General Conference SS ministry.

Lesson No. 01 25 September – 01 October 2021 Title: Introduction to Deuteronomy

Pastoral Group Objectives

Rediscover the principles of the Law of God repeated by Moses to the people 40 years after the Exodus from Egypt, not long before he died.

Reflect on the need to highlight the law and the care needed not to fall into legalism.

Analyse the people's falls into disobedience during Israel's history and draw lessons for us today.

Let's Share the Word

Key Texts: Isaiah 14:12-14; Ezekiel 28:12-17; Genesis 3:1-7; 12:1-3; Acts 7;20-36; Exodus 19:1-8.

Themes to Explore

- 1. Deuteronomy is God's proposal to Israel to renew the covenant with Him; a proposal which implies freedom of choice, to propose while giving liberty to choose demonstrates respect and love.
- 2. Underline the fact that God calls His children to be guardians of the law.

Suggestions for Teaching and Spiritual Objectives:

Consider our role as a people who want to keep the law preventing frequent extremes.

Possible Questions for Deeper Study, Sharing and Application:

- 1. Why do we have a book like Deuteronomy, that repeats what has already been written when the people were already liberated?
- 2. What events from Eden to Exodus help us to know God and His intents towards His creatures?
- 3. Why did Moses, inspired by God, consider it opportune to repeat the presentation of the law?
- 4. How is it possible to be bound and faithful to the law without falling into legalism? Is this a danger that has occurred?
- 5. How can we present the law of God in a world and at a time when the law of God is rejected?

Personal Testimony and Church Mission:

Since God gave the law for our benefit reflect on how we can render service and a witness that brings honour to God and His law?