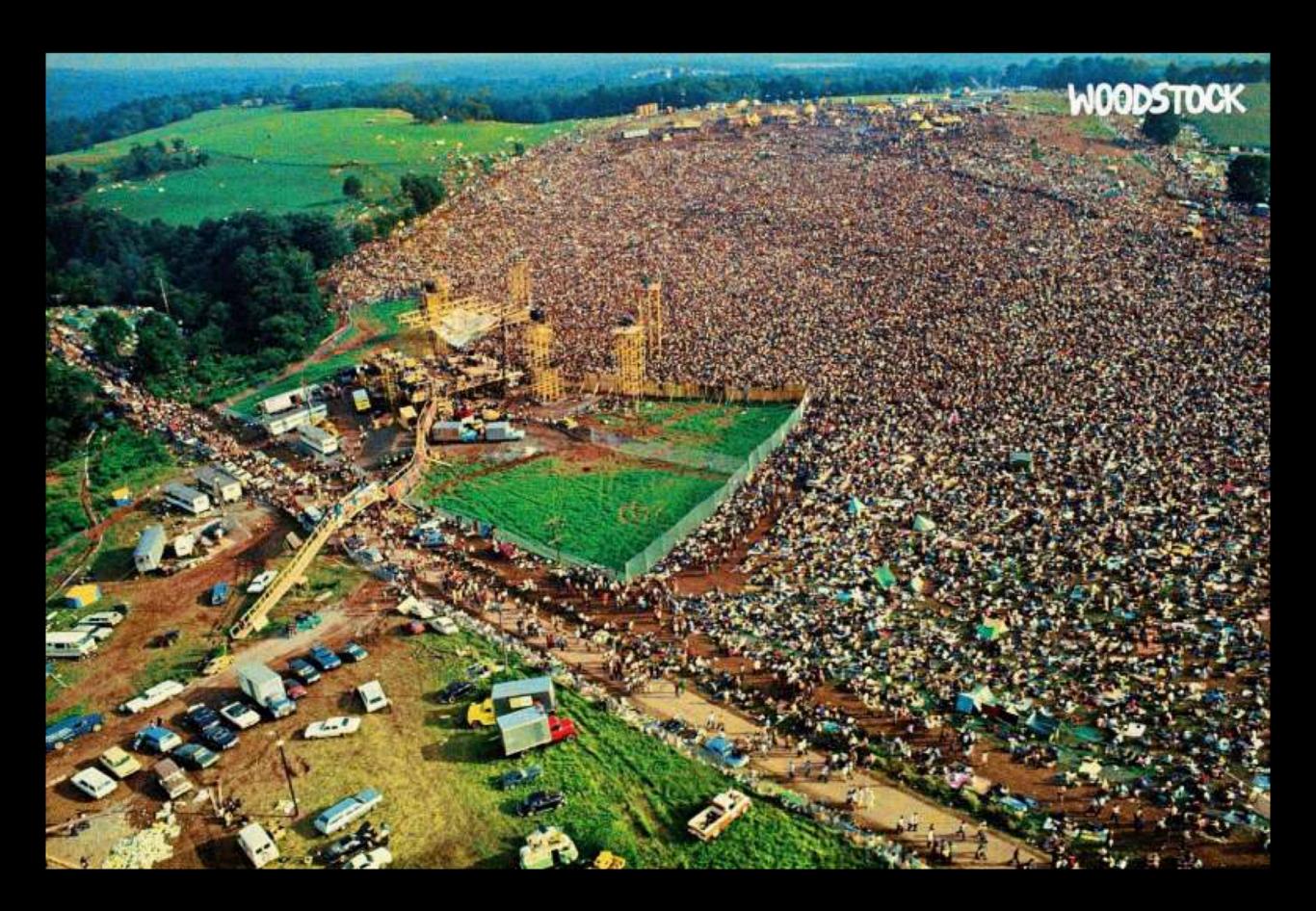
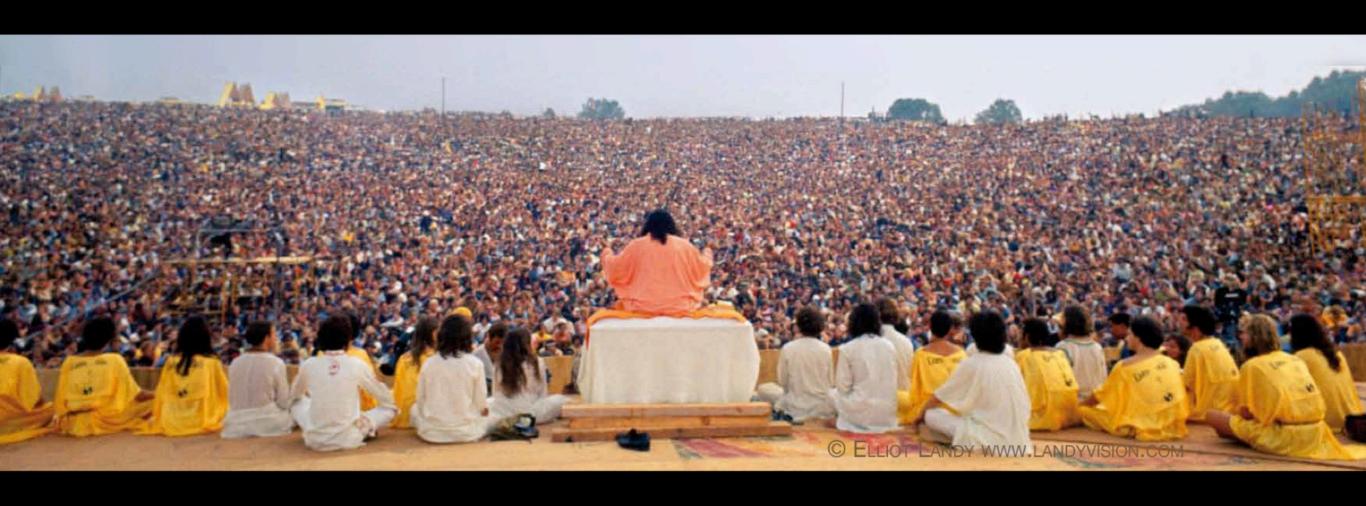


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Ephesians 1:3-12

Deuteronomy 28:1-14





For although they knew God, they did not honor him as God or give thanks to him, but they became futile in their thinking, and their foolish hearts were darkened. Claiming to be wise, they became fools, and exchanged the glory of the immortal God for images resembling mortal man and birds and animals and creeping things. Therefore God gave them up in the lusts of their hearts to impurity, to the dishonoring of their bodies among themselves, because they exchanged the truth about God for a lie and worshiped and served the creature rather than the Creator, who is blessed forever! Amen. Romans 1:21-25



Obedience For The Sake Of His Name

Deuteronomy 28:1-14

(1) The Blessings And Cursing of Deuteronomy Are Statements Of Covenant Not Contract

Now the LORD said to Abram, "Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you. And I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and him who dishonors you I will curse, and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed."

Genesis 12:1-3

Know then that it is those of faith who are the sons of Abraham. And the Scripture, foreseeing that God would justify the Gentiles by faith, preached the gospel beforehand to Abraham, saying, "In you shall all the nations be blessed." So then, those who are of faith are blessed along with Abraham, the man of faith.

Galatians 3:7-9

The Spirit himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs—heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ, provided we suffer with him in order that we may also be glorified with him.

Romans 8:16-17

Chiasm Structure of Deuteronomy 28

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- A. Covenant Loyalty (v. 1-2)
 - B. economic success (v. 3a)
 - C. fertility of soil (v. 3b)
 - D. fertility of humans and animals (v. 4)
 - E. abundant food (v. 5)
 - F. military success (v. 6)
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 - E. abundant food (v. 8)
 - D. fertility of humans and animals (v. 11)
 - C. fertility of soil (v. 12a)
 - B. economic success (v. 12b-13)
- A. Covenant Loyalty (v. 14)

Chiasm Structure of Deuteronomy 28

A. Covenant (v1-2)

B. Prosperity (v3-5)

C. Military Success (v. 6-7)

B. Prosperity (v8, 11-13)

A. Covenant (v14)

(2) The Blessings And Cursing of Deuteronomy Are Collective Not Individual

'You yourselves have seen what I did to the Egyptians, and how I bore you on eagles' wings and brought you to myself. Now therefore, if you will indeed obey my voice and keep my covenant, you shall be my treasured possession among all peoples, for all the earth is mine; and you shall be to me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation.' These are the words that you shall speak to the people of Israel."

Exodus 19:4-6

Deuteronomy 7:6-10

Deuteronomy 9:4-6

Deuteronomy 4:5-8

(3) We Obey Christ Not Because Of What He Can Give But Because He Is Our Benevolent King

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places,

Ephesians 1:3

And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them inthe name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

Matthew 28:18-20

Paul, a servant of Christ Jesus, called to be an apostle, set apart for the gospel of God, which he promised beforehand through his prophets in the holy Scriptures, concerning his Son, who was descended from David according to the flesh and was declared to be the Son of God in power according to the Spirit of holiness by his resurrection from the dead, Jesus Christ our Lord, through whom we have received grace and apostleship to bring about the obedience of faith for the sake of his name among all the nations...

Romans 1:1-5

He must increase, but I must decrease."

John 3:30

But whatever gain I had, I counted as loss for the sake of Christ. Indeed, I count everything as loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things and count them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ Philippians 3:7-8





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