

## The Dispensation of the Law

*Scripture reading:* Deuteronomy 32:48-50

Let us look at the second dispensation – *“the dispensation of the law.”* In that dispensation, there was one man, Moses. I remember in my meditation one time how God showed me Moses. It is going to be something marvelous for us to see these men. Moses was a natural man, a man that had a bad temper, and yet he overcame. He overcame to the point where God said of him, “On all of the earth, there is no man like this man.”

*“And there arose not a prophet since in Israel like unto Moses, whom the LORD knew face to face”* (Deuteronomy 34:10).

When God has a testimony for you, when God can trust you: it must be something marvelous! I see somebody kneeling down today and saying, “My God! I want to be like that.” Amen! Yes! As I am talking to you, I see a sister kneeling down and saying, “God, I want to be like one of these men of God.”

But do you see that we have an inheritance that is above theirs? Did you know that? Let me explain it to you. Here in the dispensation of the law, Moses towed the line of the law with God and discovered something. He would be a dunce if he didn’t discover this. Some of us are dunces. Moses discovered that within every dispensation there was a hole, a place where you could escape through into God. In the previous dispensation, Enoch had found a hole and escaped into immortality. Now Moses wanted to find that hole through the law, and it was very simple. Moses (who was a type of Christ) was the only other person apart from the high priest who could make a sacrifice. Now, what about the situation of one offering the sacrifice and then dying on the sacrifice? For when you would offer the sacrifice, you were delivered from your sins by the type of the Blood of Jesus Christ. So then, if you were smart, you would make the sacrifice and then (although we do not control it) you would try to die right there so that you did not have the time to sin anymore; and so you would be sinless. You would go right up to God!

In the law, when the priest approached God, he had to have a sacrifice. He could not approach God without blood. *“Now when these things were thus ordained, the priests went always into the first tabernacle, accomplishing the service of God. But into the second went the high priest alone once every year, not without blood, which he offered for himself, and for the errors of the people”* (Hebrews 9:6-7).

So then, we read in Deuteronomy 32 that God called Moses that he was going to die. Why do you think God would tell Moses exactly when he was going to die? It was because Moses had asked God for that *“hole,”* for that place of escape. God was not about to just hand it to him, but He made him find it. God did not tell him to do it. He just said, “Moses, go up into the mountains, and there you will meet Me, and there you will die” (see Deuteronomy 32:48-50).

You see, Moses never went to meet God without a sacrifice. You do not go to God empty-handed. You always go to God with a sacrifice. The Scriptures tell you that every time you go into the house of the Lord you should have an offering, a sacrifice. Hallelujah! We should use this example and pray for the remission of our sins every time we go before the Lord. Now, some of us feel that if we bring a good offering to God that this satisfies Him. But God wants your heart with the offering. He wants your heart along with it. So never come and throw your collection or give your offering to God without offering your heart to Him at the same time. Amen!

So, Moses took the lamb under his arm and up he went into the mountain. When he offered the sacrifice, he died right there on the sacrifice. And the Scriptures said that the angels came down and took his body (Jude 1:9). He escaped! He escaped the ritual of an earthly burial and his eulogy was sung by angels. Moses, therefore, escaped through the law.

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*Thought for today:* Remember never to give your offering to God without offering your heart to Him at the same time!