

# Bereans Bible Institute

## Module X – The Kingdom of God

### Lesson 2 – The Kingdom in the Torah

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#### I. Exodus 6:1-8 God repeats the Abrahamic covenant promise concerning the Land

A. God told Moses that He will bring the nation of Israel into the land that He promised to Abraham

1. The Land promise to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob and their ‘Seed’ was unconditional
2. The Land promise to the nation of Israel was conditional (keeping the Law)
3. Both promises involve their enemies being in subjection to them
4. God promised to send His ‘Messenger’ before Israel to bring them to the Land (Ex. 23:20-22)
5. Israel initially offered the role of being Kingdom ‘priests’ (Ex. 19:1-6)
6. Since Israel failed, Christians will take on this role (1 Pet. 2:4-5,9; Rev. 20:6)

#### II. Balaam’s prophecy of the “Seed” and the Kingdom (Num. 22-24)

A. Balaam offered money to curse Israel for the Moabites (descendants of Lot)

B. God forbids Balaam to curse Israel because they are blessed by God

C. Balaam is offered more money, and attempts to inquire from God again

1. Balaam condemned in the NT for his greed (2 Peter 2:15; Jude 1:11; Rev. 2:14)

D. The talking-donkey incident

E. Balaam prophesied with words from the Abrahamic Covenant (Num. 23:5-11; Gen. 13:16-17)

F. Balaam prophesied again, concerning Israel ruling their enemies (Num. 23:18-24; Gen. 49)

G. Balaam prophesied a third time: (Num. 24:1-7)

1. Verse 7 LXX, “***A man shall come forth out of his seed, and he shall rule over many nations, and his kingdom shall be exalted beyond Agag, and his reign shall flourish.***”
2. The “Lion of Judah” (from Gen. 49:8-12) described in vss. 8-9.
3. The “Star” of Jacob and the “Scepter” of Israel is in the distant future (vss. 15-19)
  1. Destruction of Edom & Moab by the ‘Seed’ will be at Christ’s return: Ob.1:8-9; Isaiah 25:8-12; Isaiah 63:15-21

#### III. The Song of Moses (Deut. 32)

A. God takes control of the Kingdom after Israel’s failure (vss. 39-43)

B. The last verse reads differently in the LXX: “***Rejoice, ye heavens, with him, and let all the angels of God worship him; rejoice ye Gentiles, with his people, and let all the sons of God strengthen themselves in him; for he will avenge the blood of his sons, and he will render vengeance, and recompense justice to his enemies, and will reward them that hate him; and the Lord shall purge the land of his people.***”

1. Paul quoted from the LXX and applied this prophecy to Christ – “*let all the angels of God worship Him*” (Heb. 1:6), a statement that is not in the modern Hebrew text.