

## Lesson VII.

## THE DEATH OF MOSES

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Deuteronomy 34 : 1-12. Study Deuteronomy 31 : 1-8 ; 32 : 48-52 ; 34 : 1-12—Memory Verses, 5-7.

**Golden Text**—Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of his saints.—Psalm 116 : 15.

1 And Mo'ses went up from the plains of Mo'ab unto the mountain of Ne'bo, to the top of Pis'gah, that is over against Jer'icho. And the Lord shewed him all the land of Gil'ead, unto Dan,

2 And all Naph'tali, and the land of E'phraim, and Manas'seh, and all the land of Ju'dah, unto the utmost sea.

3 And the south, and the plain of the valley of Jer'icho, the city of palm trees, unto Zo'ar.

4 And the Lord said unto him, This is the land which I swore unto A'braham, unto I'saac, and unto Ja'cob, saying, I will give it unto thy seed : I have caused thee to see it with thine eyes, but thou shalt not go over thither.

5 So Mo'ses the servant of the Lord died there in the land of Mo'ab, according to the word of the Lord.

6 And he buried him in a valley in the land of Mo'ab, over against Bethpe'or : but no man knoweth of his sepulchre unto this day.

7 And Mo'ses was an hundred and twenty years old when he died : his eye was not dim

nor his natural force abated.

8 And the children of Is'rael wept for Mo'ses in the plains of Mo'ab thirty days : so the days of weeping and mourning for Mo'ses were ended.

9 And Josh'ua the son of Nun was full of the spirit of wisdom ; for Mo'ses had laid his hands upon him : and the children of Is'rael hearkened unto him, and did as the Lord commanded Mo'ses.

10 And there arose not a prophet since in Is'rael like unto Mo'ses, whom the Lord knew face to face.

11 In all the signs and the wonders, which the Lord sent him to do in the land of E'gypt to Phar'ao, and to all his servants, and to all his land,

12 And in all that mighty hand, and in all the great terror which Mo'ses shewed in the sight of all Is'rael.

## THE LESSON RETOLD

The time had now come for Moses to die. It seemed sad that, having led the people so far, he himself should not have been permitted to go into the Promised Land. But Moses had disobeyed God, as we saw in one of our Lessons a few weeks ago, and as a punishment, God had said that Moses would see the land of Canaan but would not be allowed to go into it. And now the Israelites were within sight of Canaan, and Moses spoke his last words of counsel and farewell to the children of Israel.

Then Moses, after he had blessed the Israelites, left them forever, for the Lord had commanded him to go up to the top of

a high mountain called Pisgah from which he could look across the river Jordan into the land whither the people were going.

So Moses went up the mountain quite alone. He was very old—one hundred and twenty years—but he was not weak. He could walk just as well as when he was young, and he could see just as well. From the top of the mountain, Moses looked a long distance over the beautiful, rich and fertile land of Canaan.

And the Lord said, "This is the land which I promised Abraham and Isaac and Jacob should one day belong to their children." And after Moses had looked at the land, he