

Jesus In Numbers & Deuteronomy (ESV)

<u>John 5:39</u> You search the Scriptures because you think that in them you have eternal life; and it is they that bear witness about me.

Numbers:

This 4^{th} Book of the Old Testament's Hebrew name is <u>BEMIDBAR</u> which means <u>IN</u> THE WILDERNESS.

Deuteronomy:

The 5^{th} Book of the Old Testament's Hebrew name is $\underline{\text{DAVARIM}}$ which means WORDS.

Numbers

- Numbers tells the story of Israel's <u>WILDERNESS WANDERING</u>.
- > There are three specific pictures of Jesus in Numbers

1. He is the BREAD OF LIFE and He is the WATER IN THE DESERT.

<u>Numbers 11:7-8</u> Now the manna was like coriander seed, and its appearance like that of bdellium. ⁸ The people went about and gathered it and ground it in hand mills or beat it in mortars and boiled it in pots and made cakes of it. And the taste of it was like the taste of cakes baked with oil.

John 6:30-35 So they said to him, "Then what sign do you do, that we may see and believe you? What work do you perform?³¹ Our fathers ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, 'He gave them bread from heaven to eat.'" ³² Jesus then said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but my Father gives you the true bread from heaven. ³³ For the bread of God is he who comes down from heaven and gives life to the world." ³⁴ They said to him, "Sir, give us this bread always." ³⁵ Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me shall not hunger...

Numbers 20:5,7-8,11 And why have you made us come up out of Egypt to bring us to this evil place? It is no place for grain or figs or vines or pomegranates, and there is no water to drink."...⁷ and the LORD spoke to Moses, saying, ⁸ "Take the staff, and assemble the congregation, you and Aaron your brother, and tell the rock before their eyes to yield its water. So you shall bring water out of the rock for them and give drink to the congregation and their cattle."...¹¹ And Moses lifted up his hand and struck the rock with his staff twice, and water came out abundantly, and the congregation drank, and their livestock.

<u>John 7:37-38</u> On the last day of the feast, the great day, Jesus stood up and cried out, "If anyone thirsts, let him come to me and drink. ³⁸ Whoever believes in me, as the Scripture has said, 'Out of his heart will flow rivers of living water."

2. He is the CLOUD BY DAY and the FIRE BY NIGHT.

Numbers 9:15-23

Exodus 13:21 And the LORD (Yahweh) went before them by day in a pillar of cloud to lead them along the way, and by night in a pillar of fire to give them light, that they might travel by day and by night.

Exodus 14:19 Then the angel of God who was going before the host of Israel moved and went behind them, and the pillar of cloud moved from before them and stood behind them,

3. He is the SALVATION FROM SIN.

<u>Numbers 21:8-9</u> And the LORD said to Moses, "Make a fiery serpent and set it on a pole, and everyone who is bitten, when he sees it, shall live." ⁹ So Moses made a bronze serpent and set it on a pole. And if a serpent bit anyone, he would look at the bronze serpent and live.

Deuteronomy

- Deuteronomy speaks to the <u>FULFILLMENT OF THE LAW</u> and Israel's RESPONSIBILITY.
- ➤ There's one specific picture of Jesus in Deuteronomy:
 - 1. He's the CURSED ONE hanging ON THE POLE.

<u>Deuteronomy 21:22-23</u> "And if a man has committed a crime punishable by death and he is put to death, and you hang him on a tree, ²³ his body shall not remain all night on the tree, but you shall bury him the same day, for a hanged man is cursed by God. You shall not defile your land that the LORD your God is giving you for an inheritance.

Matthew 5:17 - 20

Mark 15:42-46

Jesus in the Old Testament

- 1. In Genesis: Jesus is the one to come and crush the serpents head and He is the substitute lamb that will save humanity.
- 2. In Exodus: Jesus is the Passover lamb, the one whose blood on the doorstep and the doorframe of the heart protects from God's judgement and delivers His people into the true Promised Land.
- 3. In Numbers: Jesus is the bread and water of life, He is the cloud by day and fire by night, and He is sin judged on the cross bringing salvation.
- 4. In Deuteronomy: Jesus is the law of God and the cursed one hanging on the pole.

THE OLD TESTAMENT IS ALL ABOUT JESUS!

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