

Deuteronomy 9:3-6 Ekev עקב August 1, 2026

³וַיֵּדַעְתָּ הַיּוֹם כִּי יְהוָה אֱלֹהֶיךָ הוּא־הָעֹבֵר לְפָנֶיךָ אֵשׁ אֹכֵלָה הוּא יִשְׁמִדֶם וְהוּא יִכְנִיעֶם לְפָנֶיךָ וְהוֹרֵשׁתָּם וְהֵאבַדְתָּם מִהָרָּץ כַּאֲשֶׁר דִּבֶּר יְהוָה לְךָ:

⁴אַל־תֹּאמַר בְּלִבִּיךָ בַּהֲדָף יְהוָה אֱלֹהֶיךָ אֲתֵם מִלְּפָנָיִךָ לֵאמֹר בְּצִדְקָתִי הֵבִיאָנִי יְהוָה לָרֶשֶׁת אֶת־הָאָרֶץ הַזֹּאת וּבְרָשָׁעַת הַגּוֹיִם הָאֵלֶּה יְהוָה מוֹרִישָׁם מִפָּנֶיךָ:

⁵לֹא בְצִדְקָתְךָ וּבְיִשְׁרֵי לִבְּךָ אֲתָה בָּא לָרֶשֶׁת אֶת־אֲרָצָם כִּי בְרָשָׁעַת הַגּוֹיִם הָאֵלֶּה יְהוָה אֱלֹהֶיךָ מוֹרִישָׁם מִפָּנֶיךָ וּלְמַעַן הָקִים אֶת־הַדְּבָר אֲשֶׁר נִשְׁבַּע יְהוָה לְאַבְרָהָם לְיִצְחָק וְלִיעֲקֹב:

⁶וַיֵּדַעְתָּ כִּי לֹא בְצִדְקָתְךָ יְהוָה אֱלֹהֶיךָ נָתַן לְךָ אֶת־הָאָרֶץ הַטּוֹבָה הַזֹּאת לְרִשְׁתָּהּ כִּי עִם־קִשָּׁה־עֲרָף אָתָּה:

³ But you will know today that *Adonai* your God is the One who is crossing over before you as a devouring fire. He will destroy them, and He will bring them down before you, so that you may drive them out and make them perish quickly, as *Adonai* has promised you.

⁴ “After *Adonai* your God has driven them out from before you, do not say in your heart, ‘It is because of my righteousness that *Adonai* has brought me in to possess this land.’ It is because of the wickedness of these nations that *Adonai* is driving them out from before you. ⁵ It is not by your righteousness or the uprightness of your heart that you are going in to possess their land. Rather, because of the wickedness of these nations, *Adonai* your God is driving them out from before you, and in order to keep the word *Adonai* swore to your fathers—to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob. ⁶ So you should understand that it is not because of your righteousness that *Adonai* your God is giving you this good land to possess—for you are a stiff-necked people.