

## Questions in Deuteronomy

Looking at the questions will help us to understand more clearly the author, the addressees and the purpose of writing. The following points are taken into account:

1. Identify who asks the question (God, author or addressee).
2. The question is answered or is a rhetorical question.
3. The question affirms or defines the author's purpose.

|   | Deuteronomy (NASB)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | Who asks? | Answer or Rhetoric | Purpose |
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| 1 | 1:12 <b>How can I alone bear the load and burden of you and your strife?</b>                                                                                                                                                                                              |           |                    |         |
| 2 | 1:28 <b>Where can we go up?</b> Our brethren have made our hearts melt, saying, "The people are bigger and taller than we; the cities are large and fortified to heaven. And besides, we saw the sons of the Anakim there."                                               |           |                    |         |
| 3 | 3:24 O Lord God, You have begun to show Your servant Your greatness and Your strong hand; for <b>what god is there in heaven or on earth who can do such works and mighty acts as Yours?</b>                                                                              |           |                    |         |
| 4 | 4: 7 <b>For what great nation is there that has a god so near to it as is the Lord our God whenever we call on Him?</b>                                                                                                                                                   |           |                    |         |
| 5 | 4: 8 Or <b>what great nation is there that has statutes and judgments as righteous as this whole law which I am setting before you today?</b>                                                                                                                             |           |                    |         |
| 6 | 4:33 Has <i>any</i> people heard the voice of God speaking from the midst of the fire, as you have heard <i>it</i> , and survived?                                                                                                                                        |           |                    |         |
| 7 | 4:34 Or has a god tried to go to take for himself a nation from within <i>another</i> nation by trials, by signs and wonders and by war and by a mighty hand and by an outstretched arm and by great terrors, as the Lord your God did for you in Egypt before your eyes? |           |                    |         |
| 8 | 5:25 <b>Now then why should we die?</b> For this great fire will consume us; if we hear the voice of the Lord our God any longer, then we will die.                                                                                                                       |           |                    |         |

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| 9  | 5:26 <b>For who is there of all flesh who has heard the voice of the living God speaking from the midst of the fire, as we <i>have</i>, and lived?</b>                                                                                                                                                                                      |  |  |  |
| 10 | 6:20 “When your son asks you in time to come, saying, ‘ <b>What <i>do</i> the testimonies and the statutes and the judgments <i>mean</i> which the Lord our God commanded you?</b> ’                                                                                                                                                        |  |  |  |
| 11 | 7:17 “If you should say in your heart, ‘ <b>These nations are greater than I; how can I dispossess them?</b> ’                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |  |  |  |
| 12 | 9: 2 a people great and tall, the sons of the Anakim, whom you know and of whom you have heard <i>it said</i> , ‘ <b>Who can stand before the sons of Anak?</b> ’                                                                                                                                                                           |  |  |  |
| 13 | 10:12, 13 “ <b>Now, Israel, what does the Lord your God require from you, but to fear the Lord your God, to walk in all His ways and love Him, and to serve the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul, 13 <i>and</i> to keep the Lord’s commandments and His statutes which I am commanding you today for your good?</b> |  |  |  |
| 14 | 18:21 You may say in your heart, ‘ <b>How will we know the word which the Lord has not spoken?</b> ’                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |  |  |  |
| 15 | 20: 5 The officers also shall speak to the people, saying, ‘ <b>Who is the man that has built a new house and has not dedicated it?</b> Let him depart and return to his house, otherwise he might die in the battle and another man would dedicate it.                                                                                     |  |  |  |
| 16 | 20: 6 <b>Who is the man that has planted a vineyard and has not begun to use its fruit?</b> Let him depart and return to his house, otherwise he might die in the battle and another man would begin to use its fruit.                                                                                                                      |  |  |  |
| 17 | 20: 7 And <b>who is the man that is engaged to a woman and has not married her?</b> Let him depart and return to his house, otherwise he might die in the battle and another man would marry her.’                                                                                                                                          |  |  |  |
| 18 | 20: 8 Then the officers shall speak further to the people and say, ‘ <b>Who is the man that is afraid and fainthearted?</b> Let him depart and return to his house, so that he might not make his brothers’ hearts melt like his heart.’                                                                                                    |  |  |  |

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| 19 | 29:24 All the nations will say, ' <b>Why has the Lord done thus to this land?</b> Why this great outburst of anger?'                                                                                                                                                                                                      |  |  |  |
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| 21 | 30:12 It is not in heaven, that you should say, ' <b>Who will go up to heaven for us to get it for us and make us hear it, that we may observe it?</b> '                                                                                                                                                                  |  |  |  |
| 22 | 30:13 Nor is it beyond the sea, that you should say, ' <b>Who will cross the sea for us to get it for us and make us hear it, that we may observe it?</b> '                                                                                                                                                               |  |  |  |
| 23 | 31:17 Then My anger will be kindled against them in that day, and I will forsake them and hide My face from them, and they will be consumed, and many evils and troubles will come upon them; so that they will say in that day, ' <b>Is it not because our God is not among us that these evils have come upon us?</b> ' |  |  |  |
| 24 | 31:27 For I know your rebellion and your stubbornness; behold, while I am still alive with you today, you have been rebellious against the Lord; <b>how much more, then, after my death?</b>                                                                                                                              |  |  |  |
| 25 | 32: 6 " <b>Do you thus repay the Lord, O foolish and unwise people?</b> Is not He your Father who has bought you?<br>He has made you and established you.                                                                                                                                                                 |  |  |  |
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| 27 | 32:30 " <b>How could one chase a thousand, And two put ten thousand to flight, Unless their Rock had sold them, And the Lord had given them up?</b>                                                                                                                                                                       |  |  |  |
| 28 | 32:34 ' <b>Is it not laid up in store with Me, Sealed up in My treasures?</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |  |  |  |
| 29 | 32:37 " <b>And He will say, 'Where are their gods, The rock in which they sought refuge?</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |  |  |  |
| 30 | 33:29 "Blessed are you, O Israel; <b>Who is like you, a people saved by the Lord</b> , Who is the shield of your help                                                                                                                                                                                                     |  |  |  |

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|    | And the sword of your majesty! So your enemies will cringe before you, And you will tread upon their high places.”                                                                                                                               |  |  |  |
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