

Questions for Deuteronomy 15:1-23

1. This chapter begins by discussing the Sabbath year. What was taught about this seven-year cycle back in Exodus 23? (verse 1)

2. How does the emphasis of Deuteronomy differ from Exodus with regards to the purpose of the Sabbath year? (verses 1-6)

3. Why was it important for Israel to be so concerned for the poor? (verses 7-8)

4. When examining Israel's history, how well did they do in following the instructions given in this chapter? What was the result of their obedience and/or disobedience? (verses 9-11)

5. How were servants to be treated in Israel? (verses 12-18)

6. The consecration of the firstborn has been discussed at length from Exodus onward. What connection does it have to the other topics addressed in this chapter? (verses 19-23)