

PULPIT MINISTRY: JULY 2013

Theme: **“These forty years the LORD your God has been with you” (Deuteronomy 2:7)**

MORNING WORSHIP

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Text: **Deuteronomy 1-3**

Title: **“THE LORD OUR GOD”**

(I) TURNS OF PHRASES

1. A phrase-

- a) **“The LORD” (Deuteronomy 1:3)**
- b) **“The LORD God” (Deuteronomy 1:8, 11a)**
- c) **“The God of your fathers” (Deuteronomy 1:11, 21)**

2. A phrase takes on a variation

3. Each phrase has its own significance

(II) SIGNIFICANCE OF THE PHRASE “The LORD our God”

1. Tracing its usage

- a) **The LORD our God spoke to us (Deuteronomy 1:6)**
- b) **The LORD our God had commanded us (Deuteronomy 1:19)**
- c) **It is a good land which the LORD our God is giving us (Deuteronomy 1:25)**

2. Significance of this phrase

- a) **To signify oneness in the nation**
- b) **To signify identification with the Lord**
- c) **To emphasise personal relationship with God as a people**

(III) SIGNIFICANCE OF THE PHRASE “The LORD your God”

1. Tracing its usage

- a) The LORD your God (**Deuteronomy 1:10**)
- b) The LORD your God has multiplied you... (**Deuteronomy 1:10a**)
- c) The LORD your God has set the land before you (**Deuteronomy 1:20**)
- d) Rebelled against the command of the LORD your God (**Deuteronomy 1:26**)
- e) You did not believe in the LORD your God (**Deuteronomy 1:32**)

2. Significance of this phrase

- a) To encourage the exercise of faith in God
- b) To exhort people to continue to exercise faith in God
- c) To embolden the application of faith in God

(IV) SIGNIFICANCE OF THE PHRASE “The LORD my God”

1. Tracing of Usage (Deuteronomy 4:5)

2. Significance of this phrase

- a) To express personal relationship with God
- b) To demonstrate the significance of a personal relationship with God
- c) To encourage possession and development of a personal relationship with God

(V) 40 YEARS (1973-2013)

1. Is the Lord our God?

2. What have we learned about the Lord our God?

3. What stands out in our relationship with God?