

- iv. After Moses writes down the song, the Lord takes Joshua and installs him as the leader.
  - v. Moses is officially through now as the leader of the people (see 31:23).
  - vi. After that Moses and Joshua come out of the tabernacle and Moses finishes writing the book of the law.
  - vii. Moses then speaks to the Levites, "What I want you to do is take this law and put it in the holy of holies by the ark of the covenant."
    - a. Why?
    - b. Because this too is to be a witness against them.
    - c. Moses says, "If they have rebelled against the Lord while I was alive, what do you think they are going to do after I am dead? They are going to rebel all the more and this is going to be a witness against them because this is going to say that they are going to do it."
  - viii. After the Levites do that, Moses tells them to assemble all the leaders of the people of Israel (see 31:28ff) and Moses takes the words of the song (found in chapter 32) and teaches the song to the leaders so that the leaders can take it and teach it to the people so that they will know it and they will sing it over and over again and when they get into the land their children will sing it and when they apostatize and forsake the Lord, they will still sing this song and it will be a witness against them concerning what they had done.
4. Various appendices (32:48-34:12)
- i. The Lord tells Moses that he is going to die and before he dies Moses gathers the people together in chapter 33 and pronounces a blessing upon them.
  - ii. In chapter 34, the Lord takes Moses up on Mt. Nebo and the Lord lets Moses see all the promised land of Canaan.
  - iii. After that, the Lord took him and buried him.
  - iv. They mourned for Moses for 30 days.
  - v. Joshua takes over having already been installed as a leader before Moses died.
  - vi. Joshua leads the people of Israel and the people of Israel obeyed Joshua and the commands given by the Lord through Moses while Joshua was alive and while the elders lived who outlived Joshua.
  - vii. One of reasons was that Joshua heard what the Lord said about the people forsaking him and he did everything possible so that wouldn't happen.