

Summer Study: Part Two

Deuteronomy 3:23-29

When God Says “No”

Introduction

Do you like being told “no”?

Examples of God saying “no”.

Types of “Nos”:

- No: Wrongful/sinful
- No: Something better planned
- No: Not now, wait a bit.
- No: That won’t work out later for you.
- No: It was always no — what were you thinking?

I. Not on the Altar

II. Not Aligned with His Purpose and His Will for Us.

III. Not Inquiring or Seeking the Lord Before Getting Involved

- A. Joshua and the Gibeonites | Joshua 9:14-15
- B. Saul Consulting a Medium | 1 Samuel 28:6-7
- C. David Moving the Ark Without Inquiry | 2 Samuel 6:1-10
- D. Samson’s Marriage to a Philistine Woman | Judges 14:1-3

IV. How to Respond to God’s “Nos”:

- A. Humble yourself
- B. Seek God’s purpose
- C. Pray for strength and perspective

Conclusion

Remember God is:

Loving

Faithful

All-knowing

Sovereign

He always has your best interest in mind.

“No” is not the sign of rejection — it is an invitation to trust Him more deeply, to draw closer to Him to know His will for your life.