

Deuteronomy 15

1. What were the Jews to do at the end of every 7 years?
 - a. Did this law apply equally to foreigners and Jews alike?
 - b. What warning is given about lending in verse 9?
2. What does this chapter teach about the “poor”?
 - a. How do we harmonize verses 4 and 11?
3. Verses 12-18 deal with treatment of slaves. Some scholars believe that the phrase “is sold to you” (v. 12) may be translated, “sells himself to you.” Either way, what was to be done at the 7th year of his service?
 - a. What is “indentured” service?
 - b. Upon release, what was to be done for the servant?
 - c. What reasons were given for the proper treatment of slaves? (14 & 15)

- d. What options did the slave have at the 7th year?
- e. How was his decision documented if he chose to stay with his master?

4. What was to be done with the firstborn of the herds and flocks?

- a. What rule was made about what *could not* be done with blemished animals?
- b. What *could* they be used for?
- c. What minor prophet later rebuked the people for offering blemished sacrifices?
- d. What was NOT to be done with the blood of animals?