

**THEIR ROCK  
IS NOT  
OUR ROCK**

**Deuteronomy 32:30-33**

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▶ <sup>31</sup> For their rock is not like our Rock, Even our enemies themselves *being* judges. <sup>32</sup> For their vine *is* of the vine of Sodom And of the fields of Gomorrah; Their grapes *are* grapes of gall, Their clusters *are* bitter. <sup>33</sup> Their wine *is* the poison of serpents, And the cruel venom of cobras.

**DEUTERONOMY 32:30-33**

- ▶ Moses is near death
- ▶ Israel is about to enter the promised land
- ▶ **Our Rock** = solid foundation, God, Bible, Faith on which we stand
- ▶ Compare to house on rock / house on sand

## BACKGROUND OF THE TEXT

▶ **Forsook God**

▶ Of the Rock *who* begot you, you are unmindful, And have forgotten the God who fathered you.

**Deuteronomy 32:18**

**ISRAEL FOLLOWED THE WRONG ROCK**

- ▶ **Forsook God**
- ▶ **Provoked God to jealousy, anger**
- ▶ They have provoked Me to jealousy by *what* is not God; They have moved Me to anger by their foolish idols. **Deuteronomy 32:21a**

**ISRAEL FOLLOWED THE WRONG ROCK**

- ▶ **Forsook God**
- ▶ **Provoked God to jealousy, anger**
- ▶ **Lost their faith** - For they are a perverse generation, Children in whom *is* no faith. **Deuteronomy 32:20b**

**ISRAEL FOLLOWED THE WRONG ROCK**

- ▶ **Forsook God**
- ▶ **Provoked God to jealousy, anger**
- ▶ **Lost their faith**
- ▶ **Lived like those in the land** For their vine *is* of the vine of Sodom And of the fields of Gomorrah; Their grapes *are* grapes of gall, Their clusters *are* bitter. **Deuteronomy 32:32**

**ISRAEL FOLLOWED THE WRONG ROCK**

## ▶ Denominational doctrines

- ▶ Faith only vs. faith that obeys
- ▶ Creeds of men vs. the doctrine of God
- ▶ Baptism not essential
- ▶ Changes in worship
- ▶ Acceptance of false religions

**MANY HOLD A ROCK THAT  
CHRISTIANS DO NOT**





- ▶ **Unfaithful members hold to wrong rock**
  - ▶ **Worldliness**
  - ▶ **Forsaking the assembly**
  - ▶ **Wrong speech**
  - ▶ **Immodesty**
  - ▶ **Lack of Dedication**

**MANY HOLD A ROCK THAT  
CHRISTIANS DO NOT**



- ▶ Firm and Steadfast
- ▶ True
- ▶ Have confidence in
- ▶ Saves
- ▶ Gives hope

**THE ROCK WE NEED TODAY**



▶ 1 Corinthians 10:1-4 <sup>1</sup> Moreover, brethren, I do not want you to be unaware that all our fathers were under the cloud, all passed through the sea, <sup>2</sup> all were baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea, <sup>3</sup> all ate the same spiritual food, <sup>4</sup> and all drank the same spiritual drink. For they drank of that spiritual Rock that followed them, and that Rock was Christ. **1 Corinthians 10:1-4**

**CONCLUSION**

- ▶ **Have you been standing on the wrong rock?**
- ▶ **Is your faith built on sand or on Christ?**

**THAT ROCK WAS CHRIST**