

## **P.M. — Remember Balaam (Num 22-24)**

- I. The historical context. (Num 21.21-35)
  - A. Israel nearing the end of their wilderness wanderings, encamped east of the Jordan River.
  - B. When denied clear passage through that land, Israel defeated its opposition.
  - C. King Balak of Moab saw them as a threat and responded...
  
- II. The story of Balaam. (Num 22-24)
  - A. **Lesson #1** — \_\_\_\_\_.  
(Num 22.1-14; Pr 14.12; Jer 10.23; Eph 5.15-17; James 1.5)
    1. Summoned again, he sought “a second opinion” from the Lord. (Num 22.15-20)
    2. Balaam’s error was exposed... (Num 22.21-35)
    3. Balaam’s three oracles. (Num 22.36-23.12; 23.13-26; 23.27-24.25)
    4. But even that was not the end... (Num 25.1-3; 31.1-2,8,16; cf. Rev 2.14; 2Pet 2.15)
  - B. **Lesson #2** — Accept the \_\_\_\_\_ of God’s \_\_\_\_\_.  
(Num 23.19; 2Tim 3.16-17)
    1. Throughout Israel’s history, this story was retold. (Dt 23.5; Josh 24.9-10; Mic 6.5; Neh 13.2)
  - C. **Lesson #3** — \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_.  
(Dt 7.9; 1Cor 1.9; 10.13; 2Th 3.3)
  
- III. Conclusion. (Rom 15.4a)
  - A. Three fundamental principles to be learned from the story of Balaam...
  - B. And remembered/applied in every decision made.