

rain = blessing
 spring/autumn = spiritual/maternal blessings
 grain = energy
 wine = joy
 oil = smooth things out
 cattle = job. grass = growth, money ↑ → fruitful; provide (feed) us

See John 13:23 (KJV)

11:9
 vS Ex 3:8
 *11:10
 zIsa 11:15;
 37:25
 promised
 and =
 my life
 11:11
 aEze 36:4
 bDt 8:7;
 Ne 9:25
 11:12
 1Ki 8:29; 9:3
 love God
 11:13
 dS Dt 6:17
 eS Dt 10:12
 fDt 4:29;
 Jer 17:24
 11:14
 gS Lev 26:4;
 Ac 14:17
 hPs 147:8;
 Jer 3:3; 5:24;
 Joel 2:23;
 Jas 5:7
 11:15
 iPs 104:14
 jS Lev 26:5
 11:16
 kDt 4:19; 8:19;
 29:18;
 Job 31:19,27
 11:17
 lDt 6:15; 9:19
 m1Ki 17:1;
 n6:26; 7:13
 oS Lev 26:20
 pDt 4:26;
 28:12,24
 11:18
 qS Ex 13:9;
 Dt 6:8
 11:19
 rS Ex 12:26;
 Dt 6:7;
 Ps 145:4;
 Isa 38:19;
 Jer 32:39

to give to them and their descendants, a land flowing with milk and honey.⁹ ¹⁰The land you are entering to take over is not like the land of Egypt,^z from which you have come, where you planted your seed and irrigated it by foot as in a vegetable garden. ¹¹But the land you are crossing the Jordan to take possession of is a land of mountains and valleys^a that drinks rain from heaven. ¹²It is a land the LORD your God cares for; the eyes^c of the LORD your God are continually on it from the beginning of the year to its end. ¹³So if you faithfully obey^d the commands I am giving you today—to love^e the LORD your God and to serve him with all your heart and with all your soul^f—¹⁴then I will send rain^g on your land in its season, both autumn and spring rains,^h so that you may gather in your grain, new wine and oil. ¹⁵I will provide grassⁱ in the fields for your cattle, and you will eat and be satisfied.^j ¹⁶Be careful, or you will be enticed to turn away and worship other gods and bow down to them.^k ¹⁷Then the LORD's anger^l will burn against you, and he will shut^m the heavens so that it will not rain and the ground will yield no produce,ⁿ and you will soon perish^o from the good land the LORD is giving you. ¹⁸Fix these words of mine in your hearts and minds; tie them as symbols on your hands and bind them on your foreheads.^p ¹⁹Teach them to your children,^q talking about them when you sit at home and

when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up.^r ²⁰Write them on the doorframes of your houses and on your gates,^s ²¹so that your days and the days of your children may be many^t in the land that the LORD swore to give your forefathers, as many as the days that the heavens are above the earth.^u ²²If you carefully observe^v all these commands I am giving you to follow—to love^w the LORD your God, to walk in all his ways and to hold fast^x to him—²³then the LORD will drive out^y all these nations^z before you, and you will dispossess nations larger and stronger than you.^a ²⁴Every place where you set your foot will be yours:^b Your territory will extend from the desert to Lebanon, and from the Euphrates River^c to the western sea.^r ²⁵No man will be able to stand against you. The LORD your God, as he promised you, will put the terror^d and fear of you on the whole land, wherever you go.^e ²⁶See, I am setting before you today a blessing^f and a curse^g—²⁷the blessing^h if you obey the commands of the LORD your God that I am giving you today; ²⁸the curse if you disobeyⁱ the commands of the LORD your God and turn from the way that I command you today by following other gods,^j which you have not known. ²⁹When the LORD your God has brought you into the land you are entering to possess, you are to proclaim on Mount Gerizim^k the blessings, and on Mount Ebal^l the curses.^m ³⁰As

11:19
 rDt 4:9-10
 11:20
 sDt 6:9
 11:21
 tJob 5:26;
 Pr 3:2; 4:10;
 9:11
 uPs 72:5
 11:22
 vS Dt 6:17
 wS Dt 6:5
 xS Dt 10:20
 11:23
 yS Dt 9:5
 zS Ex 23:28
 aDt 9:1
 *11:24
 bS Dt 18:20;
 Dt 1:36; 12:20;
 19:8; Jos 1:3;
 14:9
 cS Ge 2:14
 11:25
 dS Dt 2:25
 eEx 23:27;
 Dt 7:24
 11:26
 fPs 24:5
 gLev 26:14-17;
 Dt 27:13-26;
 30:1,15,19;
 La 2:17;
 Da 9:11;
 Hag 1:11;
 Mal 2:2; 3:9;
 4:6
 11:27
 hDt 28:1-14;
 Ps 24:5
 11:28
 i2Ch 24:20;
 Jer 42:13;
 44:16
 jS Dt 4:28;
 13:6,13; 29:26;
 1Sa 26:19
 *11:29
 kJdg 9:7
 lDt 27:4
 mJos 8:30
 nDt 27:12-13;
 Jos 8:33;
 Jn 4:20
 *11:30

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11:10-11 irrigated it by foot. Agriculture in Egypt was dependent on irrigation; the reference may be to waterwheels turned by the feet or to turning the water into small channels with the foot. By contrast, Palestine is watered by rain. 11:14 The early rain fell in autumn (Sept.-Oct.) and the late rain in the spring (Mar.-Apr.). These rains begin and end the rainy season. 11:18-20 tie them. . . . Write them. See notes on 6:8 and 6:9. 11:24 the western sea. I.e., the Mediterranean.

See note on Gen. 15:18. 11:29 The choice between blessing and cursing (vv. 26-28) was dramatized by relating it to the cleavage between two mountains in the central part of Palestine that rise about 3,000 ft (914 m) on either side of Shechem: Mount Gerizim (which stood for blessing) and Mount Ebal (which stood for cursing). This is elaborated on in Deut. 27-28. 11:30 Concerning Arabah, see note on 1:1.