March 12 Questions

1)	Moses' First Sermon. Moses began by telling the story of how Israel rebelled against God at Kadesh-
	barnea. He did this because the new generation needed to be of their fathers' sin.
	They needed to remember that had caused frustration, death and decades of
	wandering in the desert. This teaches us that we need to honestly recall our past sins and tell our
	how disobedience led to heartache and pain. The consequences of sin should
	us to obey in the future! Moses then made a point of telling the new generation that
	God had blessed them during their wanderings: "You have lacked" (Deut 2:7). It was
	important for the people to hear God's of their journey for they had grumbled
	over the lack of water (Num 20:2) and complained about the manna (Num 21:5). They needed to
	realize that when you have the Provider, you have all you need! Moses also recounted how God had
	led the people safely past Edom and Moab, and how He had given them victory over the
	God prohibited Israel from taking any land from Ammon, Moab and Edom, showing
	that a nation's claim to the land is grounded in His, not in power or possession. The defeat
	of King Sihon of Heshbon was <i>not</i> due to Israel's military It was because God delivered
	him into Israel's hand (Deut 2:31). The people needed to understand that their ability to conquer
	their enemies came only through God's power. There was no need for and no place for
	: "The LORD our God delivered all over to us" (Deut 2:36).