

**RaYBaSH's Torah Thoughts for Kids**

**Parashah # 45: Va'etchanan "And I besought/pleaded"**

**Devarim (Deuteronomy) 3:23-7:11**

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How many times have your parents warned you not to do something and actually tell you ahead of time what the punishment will be if you do, do it, only to have you go ahead and do it and then for them to punish you for disobedience and to say, "I told you so."?

This is much like it was for the Children of Israel. Moses in his farewell speech before he dies reminds the people of the Torah and warns them not to break it. Yet knowing they will he reminds them also of the punishment that comes with disobedience and the blessing that comes from repentance when they do stray.

Shabbat Shalom, Shavuah Tov!

-- Yehudah ben Shomeyr