

# Deuteronomy 3:27

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

Get thee up into the top of Pisgah, and lift up thine eyes westward, and northward, and southward, and eastward, and behold it with thine eyes: for thou shalt not go over this Jordan.

## Analysis

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God's alternative provision—'Get thee up into the top of Pisgah'—offers Moses something rather than nothing. Though he couldn't enter, he could see the land from 'westward, and northward, and southward, and eastward.' The comprehensive view from Pisgah allowed Moses to witness the fulfillment of God's promise, even if he couldn't personally possess it. God's grace provides meaningful alternatives when our first choice isn't His will.

## Historical Context

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Mount Pisgah (or Nebo) in the Abarim range offered panoramic views of Canaan from Transjordan. From this vantage point, Moses could see the Mediterranean coast, northern Lebanon, southern Negev, and Jordan valley. This gracious provision let Moses visually confirm God's faithfulness before his death.

## Related Passages

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**1 Corinthians 13:4** — Characteristics of love

**John 15:13** — Greatest form of love

## Study Questions

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1. How has God provided meaningful alternatives when your first choice wasn't possible?
2. What perspective does God want to give you that compensates for what you cannot have?

## Interlinear Text

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עַל־הַ	רֹאשׁ	הַפִּסְגָּה	וְשָׁא	בְּעֵינֶיךָ	מָה
Get thee up	into the top	of Pisgah	and lift up	it with thine eyes	westward
H5927	H7218	H6449	H5375	H5869	H3220
וְצָפָה	וְנִתְיָמָה	וּמִזְרָחָהּ	וְרָאָה	בְּעֵינֶיךָ	כִּי
and northward	and southward	and eastward	and behold	it with thine eyes	
H6828	H8486	H4217	H7200	H5869	H3588
לֹא	תַעֲבֹר	אֶת־	הַיַּרְדֵּן	הַזֶּה:	
H3808	for thou shalt not go over	H853	this Jordan	H2088	
	H5674		H3383		

## Additional Cross-References

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**Numbers 27:12** (Parallel theme): And the LORD said unto Moses, Get thee up into this mount Abarim, and see the land which I have given unto the children of Israel.