

Bethel Bible Series

A Destiny Insured

Week 8

Welcome & Announcements

Opening - What important lessons did the Israelites need to learn during their 40 years in the desert?

Prayer Requests and Opening Prayer

Review of Last Week

Review of Last Week - *An Emerging Nation on the Way to its Homeland*

God used the Israelites' exodus experiences to build the new nation
What did God ask of the Israelites as they migrated?

Crisis and Trials

Examples: Egyptians chasing, Bitter water, No food, No water
What happened whenever the Israelites faced a crisis?
What was God's intention when He intervened in a crisis?
God, a constant presence in Israel's midst

Organization

Examples: Delegation, Census, Levite duties, Making & Breaking Camp Orders, Communications
Why was organization critical?
Jethro's advice to Moses to delegate responsibility
God equips people for specific tasks

Law & Legislation

Three Types of Law: Civil (evolves), Ceremonial (evolves), Moral (never changes)
Why were laws critical?
The Ten Commandments
Civil Law for nomads
An eye for an eye code
Instructions to build a tabernacle
Inauguration of the priesthood

Rigid Discipline

Examples: Idolatry, Religious Abuse, Blasphemy, Jealousy, Mutiny
Why was rigid discipline critical?
The Golden Calf
Visiting the Iniquity of the fathers upon the children

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Lesson - *A Destiny Insured*

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What was the purpose of Selection, Separation & Unity (Studies 4, 5, 6)?

Genesis 12:2-3

Were these enough to insure that Israel's destiny would be fulfilled?

Numbers 14:11

Deuteronomy (*Second Law*) - Moses reminds the wilderness generation of their Destiny from God

Manuscript and its message

Deuteronomy 7:12-15

Deuteronomy 28:9-10

Manuscript tied to anchor

Deuteronomy 30:15-18

Anchor lodged in sand

Deuteronomy 7:6-11

Lightning streaks

Question 1

Do miraculous elements have any direct relationship to Israel's needs in this period of its history?

Exodus 4:1-8

Joshua 3:7-10, 15-17

When does God use "direct" divine intervention?

Genesis 2:21-22

Genesis 9:12-13

Genesis 12:1-3

Exodus 14:21-22

John 2:11

Why doesn't God use "direct" divine intervention every day?

Luke 16:27-31

Should we expect God to reveal Himself to us through divine intervention?

Mark 8:11-12

Is God's activity limited to things that we can understand?

Isaiah 55:9

Should we be concerned with HOW or WHY miracles happen?

Scales of justice

Question 2

Could Israel have existed in its nomad days without the types of laws in Exodus 21-23?

Exodus 18:13, 17-20

Exodus 32:7-9

Why were laws critical for insuring the destiny?

Exodus 19:3-6

Deuteronomy 4:5-8

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Separated figures

Question 3

What purpose might the Nazirites have accomplished in Israel's camp?

Numbers 6:1-5

Question 4a

What purpose did the tassels accomplish for Israel?

Numbers 15:37-41

The Great Shema (Taught to Jewish kids)

Deuteronomy 6:4-9

Wine chalice & bread

Question 4b

What purpose did the memorial feasts accomplish for Israel?

Exodus 12:24-27

Leviticus 23:41-43

Tent

Question 5

What did the tabernacle and the tent of the tabernacle mean to the Hebrews?

Exodus 25:8, 22

Exodus 40:36-38

John 1:14

Greek word translated as *dwelt* is actually *tabernacled*

Mace

Why was great leadership critical for insuring the destiny?

Numbers 16:3, 8-11

What was a key component for great leadership?

Numbers 12:5-8

What made Israel's leaders great?

Exodus 4:10-12

Joshua 4:14

Judges 6:14-16

2 Samuel 7:8-9, 16

Jeremiah 1:6-8

How did God prepare His leaders?

Exodus 2:10, 15

Exodus 33:11

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Land scene

Question 6

What is meant by the story in Joshua 5:13-15?

Joshua 5:13-15

How were the Israelites to receive the promised land?

Deuteronomy 7:22-24

Deuteronomy 7:16

All rocks attached to manuscript

How do these insuring factors relate to us as Christians today?

Divine Intervention

Civil & Moral Law

Visual Aids

Memorial Feasts

The Tabernacle

Leaders

The Promised Land

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Closing Prayer

Distribute Materials

Next Week - *Empowered for a Destiny*