

Bible study notes 8-10-21

Word study – this week – Pardon – acquitted

Pardon – Appears in the Old Testament and means “forgiveness - Psalm 25:11, Isaiah 55:11 – An Old Testament word – does not appear in the New Testament

Acquitted – Na1:3, Job 10:14 – blameless, guiltless, innocent, without punishment, to be declared Not Guilty- New Testament principle **Rom 7:20**- does not appear in N.T. but is a New Testaments principle -The believer has been acquitted in the courts of heaven.

---Looking at the significance of the map – discussion

If you look at **1st Cor 10:1** & following you notice something interesting. All Baptized into Moses etc. i.e.; they went with him into a place of death, to be raised again in newness of life as they came out of the water on dry ground

According to **Romans 6 10 & 11** this is our experience in Christ. This is not water baptism, but spiritual baptism

Now, I believe that t-he wilderness is where the majority of believers live today.

Out of Egypt, but not yet in Canaan. - Eating manna and quail instead of the “fruit of the land”
Murmuring against authority – griping at God and his leaders – gossiping and back biting rather than loving – choosing sides between denotations rather than seeing one body of Christ – bringing accusations against authority in rebellion rather than trusting God to lead – living by sight rather than faith – fighting battles already won – Losing their taste for Jesus – adding anything to Him to make it more palatable- desiring to be under legal and restrictive regulations rather than walking in His liberty-,

For the redeemed sinner (now born alive to God), living in disobedience to His Spirit will become extremely unpleasant. One who refuses to “go Into the Land”- the things of the Spirit will become increasingly monotonous

you can eat of the manna, but it too will lose its savor. You may be **sustained** by the manna, but certainly not **satisfied**.

Remember that when the children of Israel came out of Egypt, the mixed multitude came out with them.

“mixed multitude” which were not Israelis. The Egyptians had also captured the Assyrians, the Chaldean's etc.

If they followed the example of the Jews with the blood on the doorposts, they came out with them. These folks were “**sanctified**” but not **justified**. Remember beloved, *sanctification comes from the environment in which we dwell*

Remember what Jude said in 1:5 “ I want to remind you, though you once knew this that the Lord having saved the people out of the land of Egypt, afterwards He destroyed those who did not believe.”

Well then---

3 days after the parting of the Red Sea – children murmured against Moses – **nothing to drink** -

Moses casts the tree into the waters and the bitter waters became sweet.

2 mos. later -again complained against Moses “kill us with this hunger”

God gave them quail to eat at night, Manna in the morning

Remember – gather as much as you want, but eat what you get – do not save until tomorrow, it will rot. A bunch tried that out and found it to be the case.

Gather 6 days, gather enough for 2 days - 7th you will rest.

Chapter 16 vs 35 tells us they ate the manna for 40 years (until they went into **Canaan**)

Now I want you to notice verse **8 of Chapter 17 in Exodus**

Remember that Timna was the concubine of Eliphaz who was Essau’s son - So Essau was Amalek’s grandfather.

Sturring up your minds by way of remembrance, Isaac had twin sons – Essau and Jacob – blessings follow the older (would be Essau) but Jacob was the younger. Rebecca (Isaac’s wife – mother of twins) wanted Jacob to receive the blessing and not Essau so she laid out the plan for blessing.- **explain**

Scripture says that Rebecca loved Jacob, and that Esau “despised his birthright”

Who remembers who **Amalek** represent?

So we have Amalek coming into the picture in Exodus **17** vs 8 & following

What is the picture here? How do we fight the energy of the flesh?

Answer – you do not struggle against it – i.e. smoking,- lusting with eyes – porn – pride – etc. Must recognize it is a defeated foe. To fight against it is to give it strength.

Strength of sin is the law scripture says – any program you and I establish to defeat the activity of the flesh gives it strength it does not have and does not deserve.

Moses threw up his hands in surrender – Joshua prevailed - Moses reversed the process and Amalek prevailed. **Joshua fighting a battle already lost** – trying with his own strength to overcome the subtleties of sin-

You fight this battle like this, and I can most assuredly tell you, you cannot win- The battle was already lost in the first Adam- the last Adam (Jesus) has already conquered sin, death and hell – and we must appropriate His victory.

Victory over the flesh is not to be obtained – it is to be received....

Victory over Amalak is God given – It cannot be won - It can only be received..... And that is by faith – no activity on your part.

Look again with me at **Exodus 4:1-4**- I.e. Moses, this is a victory already won. Don't run from it, turn around and face it- “put out your hand and take it by the tail- the moment Moses touched the snake, it became a rod again – it became as helpless and as harmless as a rod.

Remember we said “walk in the Spirit, and you will not fulfill the lusts of the flesh” I.e. do what you see God doing, don't worry about performing spiritual things, only God can do that and when you do that – you will not be walking in the flesh. Further to walk in the Spirit is to assume by faith the Jesus has already won this battle

God will vindicate your assumption and make it real in your experience.

Remember – the Devil always twists the truth – I.e. he is telling the believer “try not to fulfill the lusts of the flesh and then you will walk in the Spirit. As though the latter was the reward for the former.

He knows that in this way you are preoccupied with yourself, instead of being preoccupied with the finished work of Jesus Christ.

Turn around and face the problem – don't try and outrun it. It is already won – believe it, and walk in that victory.

Walk in what you see God doing, not depending upon your training, or qualifications or abilities, but depending only on Him.

Chapter 18 tells us of the counsel of Jethro – Moses father-in-law “To much pressure, choose out men to help settle disputes – Moses did so.

Chapter 19 tells us that God calls Moses to the mountain and gives direction to the children of Israel- Moses tells the elders what God has said – their response “**All that the Lord has instructed us, we will do**”

Now this was the 1st time that God gave the commandments - Now what was the main problem with the commandments? They require me to perform. They are the Heart of God Himself – Nothing wrong with the commandments - Problem is me...

Again, me trying to be Like God – without God.

The commandments were given to these folks to make them fall on their face and cry out – I **Can't do these things** They act as a **mirror** to show me what is wrong with me, yet unable to change

God's response - Gather the people together, and I will come and talk to them- So He did in **Chapters 20.**

How did the people respond to this – **vs 18 More on this later**

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God then begins to set forth His rules for their lives-**21,22,23** by telling Moses what He expects – Moses takes His words to the people

Again their response – **24: vs 3**

God then tells Moses to “come back up to the mountain – I have more to say - Moses was there for 40 days - 40 nights where God gives him the plans for the temple telling Moses in **vs 40 of Chapter 25** – see to it that you make it according to the plan. And God writes the commandments on stone for Moses to take back to the people.

Skipping forward to **Chapter 32** - Remember now Beloved, this are God's chosen people..... Moses returns from the mountain after 40 days & nights

Remember that Aaron (Moses brother and High Priest) took the gold and with an engraving tool fashioned this gold into a calf and they set about to worship it.

God tells Moses to go to your people whom you led out of Egypt for they have corrupted themselves (7&8) Read it

Moses the GREAT Intercessor – **Vs 32** of chapter 33.