

Panorama Bible Study

The Plan of the Ages, Study 6

THE DISPENSATION OF LAW

FROM THE EXODUS TO THE REIGN OF SOLOMON

In Study 5 last week we saw how God “put a **DIFFERENCE** between the **EGYPTIANS** and **ISRAEL**” (*Genesis 11:7*) by **SAVING ISRAEL** from the **DEATH** of the **FIRSTBORN** through the **PASSOVER LAMB**. Every instruction God gave Israel for **PROTECTION FROM DEATH** was a **FORESHADOWING** of the **TRUE PASSOVER LAMB** who would **TAKE AWAY THE SINS OF THE WORLD, (THE MESSIAH, THE LORD JESUS CHRIST)** approximately 1500 years later. In addition to what we discussed last week about the preparation of the Passover Lamb for the protection of the Israelites, it should also be noted that the Israelites had to make a **PERSONAL APPLICATION** of the **BLOOD** to the **DOOR**. Likewise, each individual has to **APPLY** the **BLOOD** of **CHRIST** to the **DOOR** of his/her heart. Notice that the **BLOOD** was to be **STRUCK** upon the sides and top of **THE DOOR** by taking a “bunch of **HYSSOP**” and dipping it in the **BLOOD**. (*Genesis 12:22*) The Israelites were **COMMANDED** to **NOT COME** out of **THE DOOR** of the house till morning. With “scripture interpreting scripture” we see in **JESUS CHRIST** the amazing and beautiful fulfillment of all the Israelites did with the ancient Passover Lamb. Jesus said in **John 10:7** that **He is THE DOOR!!!** Like the Hebrews in Egypt who could **not** come out of the **DOOR**, in the salvation experience we are **IN HIM**, where we find safety. Jesus, our **DOOR to Heaven**, was physically **STRUCK** by the religious leaders and the soldiers in preparation for the Cross (*Matthew 26:67, 27:30*). Upon the Cross, He visually illustrated the blood applied to Him as the **DOOR**, for His precious **Hands** (*the sides of the Cross*) and His **Head** (*the top of the Cross*) were wounded. His **Feet** were wounded in **fulfillment** of the **Law of the Kinsman Redeemer**. Just as **HYSSOP** was used by the Israelites in Egypt with their Passover lamb, at the Cross Jesus was given a vinegar-soaked sponge at the end of a **BRANCH OF HYSSOP** (*John 19:29*).

We learn through the **FULFILLMENT** of the types and shadows shown in the Passover lamb while the Israelites were in **BONDAGE** in Egypt, that **GOD** puts a **DIFFERENCE** between **those** who **RECEIVE CHRIST** as **SAVIOR** and **those** who **do not**. It is a **MATTER OF LIFE ETERNAL OR DEATH ETERNAL!**

1. Exodus 12:40 This is the fulfillment of what God had told Abraham, even before Abraham had any seed—that **his seed** would be in **Egyptian bondage 430 years!**

2. Exodus 12:48-49 Very important, for God is showing that, even in Israel's time under **THE LAW**, GOD was always making **PROVISION** for **ANYBODY** to partake of **THE PASSOVER LAMB**, **BUT** with one **CONDITION: THEY MUST BE CIRCUMCISED**.

The New Testament tells us that **ANYBODY** can come to **Christ, THE TRUE PASSOVER LAMB**, **IF** they allow **THEIR HEARTS** to be **CIRCUMCISED** (*Romans 2:28-29*)—that is **TRUE REPENTANCE** and **SUBMISSION** to **HIS LORDSHIP**.

3. Exodus 13:21 Under Moses' leadership they come out of Egypt and are led by a **PILLAR OF CLOUD** by day and a **PILLAR OF FIRE** by night.

Jesus is our **DAYTIME** guide and our **NIGHTTIME** guide! He's there in the good times and in the dark times of our lives—faithfully guiding us, never leaving us! Four hundred years prior, Jacob's family started out in Egypt as 70 people. By God's design and providence in creating a **nation to PRODUCE the MESSIAH**, this exodus of the lineage of these **12 tribes** (*along with Egyptians who believed*) numbered around **2 MILLION**—about the size of the population of the **ENTIRE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI!**

4. Exodus 14 Pharaoh changes his mind. He and his armies pursue the Israelites. But God, who already knew Pharaoh's heart, has **STRATEGICALLY PLACED HIS PEOPLE** so that **HE** can **TRAP** the **ENEMY**. They are near **THE RED SEA**—led there by God's orders to Moses.

This same principle is for us **TODAY**. If we allow God to lead us, when Satan devises a plan to overtake us with all his demon hordes, God will have us uniquely **POSITIONED** so that the **enemy** will sustain a **TREMENDOUS DEFEAT**. All of this is made possible through **THE RED SEA of the BLOOD OF JESUS CHRIST**. **JESUS** is our "**PLACE**" of **POSITION** for **VICTORY** over the plans of the Evil One.

5. Exodus 15:1-19 The **FINAL** and **COMPLETE VICTORY** over **EGYPTIAN BONDAGE** occurs at **THE RED SEA**, which **MADE A WAY** for those God was **SAVING**, but that **same RED SEA** was **CONDEMNATION** for those who **rejected** the **TRUE AND LIVING GOD**. **Moses**, at 80, was **SO HAPPY and INSPIRED**, He started **SINGING!!!** This **SONG OF MOSES** contains so much revelation of the **PLAN of GOD** for humanity that it is even referenced in the **BOOK OF REVELATION** in the New Testament, chapter 15, verse 3!!!

6. Exodus 15:23 Everybody was so excited about the **AWESOME MIRACLE** of God at the **Red Sea**, but it **DIDN'T LAST LONG**--for **God**, in His Divine Wisdom, **LED THEM TO BITTER WATERS** at **MARAH**.

QUESTION: Why would God give His people a **SUPERNATURAL, GLORIOUS MIRACLE** at the **RED SEA** and then **PURPOSEFULLY** lead them to a place of **BITTER WATERS, MARAH**? (*Hint: There is a Biblical principle that God is developing using these physical examples and there is **ALSO** a personal application for us as we **JOURNEY** with Jesus Christ. Think about it, "Will bitter waters make you bitter?"*)

ANSWER: _____

7. Exodus 15: 24-25 Shows that the people did **not** have **TRUE FAITH**, because they started **MURMURING** against Moses at the **bitter waters of Marah**. God gave Moses the **SOLUTION** to the bitter waters: **CAST** a **TREE** into the waters and the waters will become **SWEET**.

QUESTION: Who was crucified upon a **TREE**?

ANSWER: _____

QUESTION: What is God showing us that we **must do** when **BITTER TIMES** are upon us? (*Remember, Marah's waters were **BITTER** and **TOXIC—DEADLY**. Think about the times when **BITTER** events have come your way and you possibly even said, "this is going to kill me."*)

ANSWER: _____

8. Exodus 15:27 After God had **PROVED** His people at Marah, the place of **BITTER WATERS**, look where He took them: **ELIM**—a lush **OASIS** in the middle of a desert region with **70 PALM TREES** for **SHADE** (*by God's design, the same number of palm trees as the number of people in Jacob's family when they **FIRST** went into Egypt*), and **12 WELLS OF SWEET WATER** (*the same number of wells as the tribes of Israel—a well for each tribe!*).

QUESTION: What is God teaching His people by bringing them to **ELIM** *after* **MARAH**?
*(Hint: Again, there is a Biblical principle that God is developing using these physical examples and there is **ALSO** a personal application for us as we **JOURNEY** with Jesus Christ.)*

ANSWER: _____

9. Exodus 16:2-3 After leaving **ELIM**, the people begin to **MURMUR** again for **FOOD**. They want to be **BACK** at the **FLESH POTS** of **EGYPT** and eat to their fill!!!

They are just 2 months out of **EGYPT** (**BONDAGE & CRUELTY**, no freedom in Egypt) and want to **GO BACK** for **FLESH** to eat. God is illustrating the **PULL** of our **FALLEN FLESH NATURE**—that, in spite of experiencing all the goodness and provision of the Lord, our **FLESH NATURE** wants **MORE FALLEN FLESH NATURE TO FEED ITSELF!** *(It's true...You are what you eat!)*

QUESTION: What is God's solution to their **LONGING** for the **FLESH POTS** of Egypt?

ANSWER: (Exodus 16:4) _____

QUESTION: So, what is God telling us that **WE, TODAY, NEED** when we feel the **PULL** of the **OLD MAN** in us, the **FALLEN FLESH NATURE** that wants us to return to the **BONDAGE OF SIN**?

ANSWER: (See John 6:49-51) _____

10. Exodus 16:31 "... Israel called the name thereof **MANNA**: and it was **LIKE** coriander seed **white**; and the taste of it was like **wafers** made with **HONEY**."



This "**bread from heaven**" foreshadowed **Jesus Christ** who said He is **the TRUE LIVING BREAD** which came down from Heaven. The bread in the wilderness **KEPT THEM ALIVE** for 40 years. It foreshadowed **Jesus** as the **LIVING WORD of GOD** that we must "**FEED ON**" in order to **have SPIRITUAL LIFE** growing in us. The Lord's Prayer says, "Give us this day our **daily BREAD**." The word "**MANNA**" means "**What is it?**" Manna was a **unique creation of God** for the express **purpose** of **feeding His people**. It **DOES NOT GROW** anywhere on Earth. It came **from Heaven**. Manna was an **UNUSUAL THING** because it was **Heavenly** and **uniquely created** just **LIKE JESUS**. The angel announced to Mary that she would be overshadowed by the Holy Ghost and that the **HOLY THING** created in her would be the

Son of the Most High God. The angel did **NOT** use the typical term, “baby,” because **Jesus** would be all that the **MANNA represented**—nothing like it ever came before and nothing like it would ever be after.

11. Exodus 17:1 The scriptures call this place (*where they wandered, murmured about food and water, broke the rules on gathering daily manna*) the **WILDERNESS OF SIN**. God leads them to a place called **REPHIDIM** and again, there was **NO WATER**. They murmured! **REPHIDIM is near MT. HOREB (MT. SINAI)** where Moses **FIRST** encountered God in the burning bush.

12. Exodus 17:6-7 God tells Moses to continue in the journey. Moses is told to take his **ROD** which he had used to **SMITE the river of EGYPT** making it **BLOODY**. God tells Moses that He, **GOD**, will **STAND** before Moses **UPON the ROCK** in Mt. Horeb (*Sinai*). God further tells Moses to **STRIKE the ROCK** and water will come out of it. The name of the place is **MASSAH or MERIBAH**.

13. Exodus 17:8-9 **Warfare** between Israel and **AMALEK**, descendants of **ESAU** who **OPPOSE the PLAN OF GOD**. (*Remember, Esau DESPISED his birthright--spiritual and physical inheritance--but Jacob esteemed it and purchased it from him for a bowl of pottage.*) Joshua (*a type of Christ*) won the battle with Amalek because Moses had the **ROD** of God in his hands as he watched the battle from the **hill** and **AARON and HUR** kept Moses' **hands lifted up** so that Joshua could prevail in battle.

QUESTION: Since we are seeing principles which apply to our journey with the Lord today, what is God teaching us in the **WARFARE** with **AMALEK**? What is **AMALEK** a symbol of since he is a descendant of **ESAU** and **NOT** in the **COVENANT** lineage of Jacob (*now Israel*)?

ANSWER: _____

QUESTION: As with the warfare with Moses and his **HANDS UPLIFTED UPON A HILL**, can you think of **someone** in the **NEW TESTAMENT** whose **PIERCED HANDS** were **UPLIFTED UPON A HILL** while a battle raged for the souls of men?

ANSWER: _____

14. Exodus 19 God descends upon **MT. SINAI** to present **HIMSELF** to the **PEOPLE**. It is an awesome and fearful sight!

15. Exodus 20-22 God gives **THE LAW—THE TEN COMMANDMENTS** to Moses on **MT. SINAI**. God gives Moses other laws regarding **CIVIL** life.
16. Exodus 23 God institutes **3 MAJOR RELIGIOUS FEASTS** at which **all MALES** of Israel are to **appear**: (1) Feast of Passover/ Unleavened Bread (2) Feast of Harvest or Weeks or Pentecost (3) Feast of the Ingathering or Tabernacles
17. Exodus 25 On **MT. SINAI** God instructs Moses to build a **TENT OF MEETING**, a **TABERNACLE**, so that He, **God**, can **DWELL in the MIDST of His people**. The Tabernacle design was meticulously dictated by God because it would reflect the **PERSON, OFFICE, and MISSION of The Lord Jesus Christ in EVERY DETAIL and in EVERY SACRIFICE**.
18. Exodus 28 The **TRIBE OF LEVI** is separated out from the other tribes to be the **PRIESTHOOD** with the **HIGH PRIEST LINEAGE** descending from **AARON**.
19. The **Book of Leviticus** details the work of the **PRIESTHOOD** which was the tribe of **LEVI**, hence the name **LEVITICUS**. It details the **5 great sacrificial offerings** that were to be routinely given in the **Tabernacle worship of Jehovah**. It also details dietary laws, laws concerning leprosy, the death penalty and the other appointed times of feasts, making the **TOTAL NUMBER OF FEASTS/ASSEMBLIES 7** (*Leviticus 23*). This chapter delineates the **CALENDAR** God has followed when He gave Jesus as the fulfillment of the **1. Passover, (His Crucifixion) 2. Unleavened Bread, (His Purity, Perfection in Sacrifice) 3. Firstfruits, (The 3rd day Resurrection) 4. Weeks, also called Harvests or Pentecost, (The outpouring of the Holy Spirit—Birth of the Church Age), 5. Trumpets, 6. Atonement, 7. Tabernacles**. *The **last 3 Feasts** also have a **FUTURISTIC fulfillment** in that the **TRUMPETS** coincide with the **FUTURE TRUMPET judgments in the Book of Revelation**; the **ATONEMENT and TABERNACLES** are now for each individual but there will be a **FUTURE ATONEMENT and FUTURE TABERNACLES** when God makes the kingdoms of this world become the kingdoms of His Christ.
20. Numbers 13-14 God leads the people to the southern border of Canaan Land, The Promised Land. The name of the place is **KADESH BARNEA** and spies are sent forth to spy out the land for **40 DAYS** so that Israel may go in and possess it. However, **ten** of the 12 spies were **FEARFUL of the STRONG inhabitants** of the land and that there

were **GIANTS** there. At **KADESH BARNEA** the people of Israel are told by God that because of their unbelief in possessing The Promised Land, **each one aged 20 years and older will WANDER in the wilderness for 40 years**—a year for each of the 40 days of spying. They will **DIE in the WILDERNESS of SIN** and God will raise up a new generation who will **follow Him into BATTLE**, but God will be faithful to the **2 spies who BELIEVED God** would give them the land. They **will survive the 40 years** and will enter Canaan Land. Their names are **JOSHUA and CALEB!!!**

REMEMBER: ALL OF THIS TIME WE SEE GOD IS PRESERVING THE SEED OR LINEAGE OF THE SAVIOR WHICH WILL COME OUT OF THE TRIBE OF JUDAH. FOLLOW THE RED LINE ON YOUR PANORAMA.

21. Numbers 20:1 As their 40-year journey nears its end, Israel returns to **KADESH BARNEA** (*the site of the **original UNBELIEF***) where Miriam, Moses' sister, dies. It was **here** that **MOSES and AARON** made the **DEADLY** mistake of **STRIKING the ROCK TWICE** instead of **SPEAKING** to it to bring forth water as God had instructed them. This rebellious act prevented both of them from entering The Promised Land. It was a **SERIOUS DISRUPTION** of the **symbolism** God was showing with **The Rock**, which is identified in the New Testament as **JESUS**. Remember, almost **40 years prior**, God had told **Moses** to take his rod and **STRIKE the rock near REPHIDIM** at the place called **MERIBAH**, near **MT. SINAI**. This time Moses and Aaron were to **SPEAK** to The **ROCK**.

QUESTION: Since the Rock symbolized Christ, what was God showing them (*and us*) when the **ROCK** was to be **STRUCK ONLY ONE TIME** to give forth water near **Rephidim** and, years later, at **Kadesh Barnea**, Moses and Aaron were to **SPEAK to the ROCK** for water?

ANSWER: _____

22. Numbers 20:24-28 Aaron is **DIVESTED** of his **High Priest's Holy Garments** and they are placed on his son, **Eleazar**, because God is calling Aaron home. God told **BOTH** Moses and Aaron that they will **NOT** enter the Promised Land because they rebelled against His Word about **speaking** to the Rock. Aaron died in the top of Mount Hor near **Kadesh Barnea**.

- 23.** Numbers 21:5-6 Moses continues to lead the people throughout the wilderness and they **COMPLAIN** about the **MANNA**, so God sends **HIGHLY POISONOUS SERPENTS** into the camp. The **bite** of these serpents brings **DEATH**. When the people **REPENT**, God sends them a **REMEDY**: Make a brass serpent, place it upon a brass pole and lift it up. Everyone who looks upon the brass serpent upon the brass pole will live. In the New Testament **Jesus plainly said** that **this event foreshadowed Him** upon the **POLE of Calvary's CROSS**, taking our sins upon Himself because all of humanity have been "bitten" by the old serpent, the Devil. We **LOOK** to the **CROSS to LIVE!!!**
- 24.** Numbers 32:33 As Israel continues to wander and fight battles all around The Promised Land, **2 and ½ tribes** request that when Israel eventually takes the Promised Land, they want the **land of GILEAD**, which is **OUTSIDE of the PROMISED LAND!** The tribes are **Gad, Reuben, and ½ of the tribe of Manasseh**. Moses gives approval for them to have the land **IF** they will fight with the other tribes when it is time to possess The Promised Land.
- 25.** Numbers 33:55 God tells Moses to tell the people of Israel that when they come into The Promised Land, they are to **DRIVE OUT the inhabitants of the land**. God warns the people that if they let any of them remain, "they shall be pricks in your eyes, and thorns in your sides, and shall vex you in the land wherein ye dwell."

This illustrates to us that our **PERSONAL PROMISED LAND**, our **PHYSICAL EARTHEN BODIES**, are to be **POSSESSED** by the **SPIRIT of GOD in total victory**. We are to crucify the fallen flesh nature and **DRIVE OUT those sins that so easily beset us**. By the **power of God's Holy Spirit IN us**, we can have **VICTORY!** Once we **POSSESS** our own **bodies** and stay in submission to the Lordship of Jesus Christ, God will show us other "**Promised Lands**" here in this life that He wants us to possess for the furtherance of the Gospel. For example, it may be a particular business venture (*think of Christian TV networks or radio stations*) or artistic ability (*think of "painter of light" artist Thomas Kinkade*), or medical ability, or mission work, or ministry in planting churches. Whatever God has "wired" you to do, do it unto the Lord with all your might and for His Glory. That's possessing **your Promised Land!**

- 26.** Deuteronomy 12:5 Moses, after leading the people in victories over nations outside The Promised Land, tells the Israelites that He will not be entering due to the rebellion at the Rock. He is allowed to view The Promised Land from **MT. PISGAH**.

He tells the people that there will be **ONE PLACE** out of the **tribes of Israel** that God will choose to **place His habitation** once they have possessed Canaan Land.

QUESTION: What is the symbolism God is illustrating when He tells them there will be **ONE PLACE** out of **ONE TRIBE** where He will put His Name, His Place of Habitation?

ANSWER: _____

27. Deuteronomy 34: Israel has arrived at the land of Moab, just east of the Jordan River and the Promised Land of Canaan. God calls Moses up to view all the land from the top of **PISGAH**, the mountain range of Nebo. Moses **dies there** and **GOD BURIES** him!!! Moses, as **symbolic of the number** that is associated with **THE LAW**, died at **age 120**. He was called **THE LAWGIVER**. When God Himself **buried THE LAWGIVER**, God was showing us that **only GOD can COVER the LAW**. We cannot keep the Law, but God gives us the **BLOOD COVERING of Jesus Christ as our covering for sin that THE LAW DEFINES**. Verse 10 tells us there has never been a prophet in Israel like Moses “whom the Lord **knew FACE TO FACE**.” **JOSHUA**, whom **MOSES** had **LAI D HIS HANDS UPON**, was **FULL of the SPIRIT** and **WISDOM**. He was commanded to **LEAD THEM IN**.

QUESTION: Moses symbolized the **PERFECT LAW of GOD** which we cannot keep. He couldn't enter the **PROMISED LAND**. **WHO** does **JOSHUA** symbolize in the **NEW TESTAMENT** that can take us into the **PROMISED LAND**?

ANSWER: _____

28. Joshua 2 Spies are sent out by Joshua to plan for the battle. They are protected by a **HARLOT named RAHAB** in the city of **JERICHO** (*located just inside The Promised Land*) because **RAHAB** has heard of the mighty acts of the **GOD of ISRAEL** and she has come to **FAITH in Him**. She is told by the two spies that when Israel attacks **JERICHO**, she is to **PLACE A SCARLET LINE** in the window—the **SAME SCARLET LINE** that was used to lower the spies to safety. The **SCARLET LINE** will **KEEP HER and HER FAMILY ALIVE**. Note: **RAHAB is OUTSIDE OF** the lineage of the **COVENANT PEOPLE of ISRAEL**, just as we are. She can be considered a “gentile.”

QUESTION: **WHO** does the **SCARLET LINE** represent?

ANSWER: _____

29. Joshua 3 The nation of Israel, under Joshua’s leadership, is led by the **priests** carrying the **ARK OF THE COVENANT INTO the Jordan River**. The **method of GUIDANCE** has changed—no longer the pillar of cloud and pillar of fire. As soon as the soles of the **FEET** of the **priests** carrying the **Ark of the Covenant** touch the Jordan River, God causes the **waters to stand upon a heap**—stopped from flowing from its source.
30. Joshua 5 The Israelites miraculously cross the Jordan River as they had crossed the Red Sea 40 years prior and **God leads them** to a place called **GILGAL**. It is there, before any taking of The Promised Land, that **God REQUIRES CIRCUMCISION** for this group of males who grew up in the wilderness after the deaths of those 20 years and older who had been previously circumcised. God calls it the **SECOND CIRCUMCISION** and it **represents** the **SECOND CIRCUMCISION** of the **SECOND COVENANT**—The **NEW TESTAMENT**. The **New Testament CIRCUMCISION** is the **TRUE SPIRITUAL CIRCUMCISION of the HEART** which takes place when a person comes to **FAITH in Jesus Christ as Savior**.

QUESTION: Approximately 1450 years later, **JESUS CHRIST** would come to this very **JORDAN RIVER** to be **BAPTIZED** by John the Baptist. Jesus told John to **BAPTIZE Him** because it would **FULFILL ALL RIGHTEOUSNESS**. What do you think Jesus was fulfilling that was earlier illustrated by the crossing of the Israelites at the Jordan River?

ANSWER: _____

In Joshua 5, not only had the **method of GUIDANCE changed** for the Israelites, but also their **FOOD SOURCE**. They were now eating the **FRUIT of the land of Canaan** and would be working their own crops when they possess the land.

QUESTION: What is the application in this illustration for us, the New Testament believers, in our walk with the Lord?

ANSWER: _____

31. Joshua 6 The Israelites **conquer** the city of **JERICHO** through God’s directions to march around the city once a day for six days with the 7 priests carrying the Ark of the Covenant and 7 trumpets of rams’ horns. On the **7th day** they marched around the city **7 times** and then blew the horns. Joshua commanded the people to **SHOUT**,

for God had given them the victory. He specified that **RAHAB the HARLOT** and her **HOUSE shall LIVE**. When the people shouted, the **WALLS fell, except RAHAB'S HOUSE** which was **BUILT ON A WALL**. God **preserved** her and her family!!! **Rahab** would later **MARRY** into the **family of ISRAEL** and become a **DIRECT ANCESTOR OF JESUS CHRIST!!! Rahab is the MOTHER of BOAZ, who later performed the KINSMAN REDEEMER LAW and married RUTH from MOAB!**

The remainder of the Book of Joshua shows **Joshua as a type of CONQUERING CHRIST**. Joshua 12 tells the names of all **THE KINGS Joshua defeated!** Jesus is **KING OF KINGS!** Each tribe is eventually given their territorial allotment in The Promised Land, but **Israel DID NOT drive out all the inhabitants as God had told them to do** through Moses. At the end of the Book of Joshua, Joshua dies.

32. Judges 2 The Israelites violate God's command to eradicate the enemies and leave some of the inhabitants of The Promised Land alive. They even **enter a league** with some of them and **make tributaries** out of others in order to **profit financially**. **BUT**, they would soon learn that these enemies "within" are like sin "within" and have to be **DRIVEN OUT**. The **Israelites**, just as Moses had warned them, **begin to serve the gods of the Canaanites—Baal and Ashtaroth**. The Lord then began to raise up **JUDGES** to deliver His people, but when the judge would die, the people would return to idol worship and corrupting themselves.

33. Judges 4 One of the notable **judges** of Israel was a **WOMAN** named **DEBORAH!**

34. Judges 6-7 Another famous **judge** was **GIDEON**, who led a 300-man army in glorious victory over the innumerable Midianites who oppressed Israel at that time.

35. Judges 13-16 **SAMSON** was raised up by God to **judge** and deliver Israel from the Philistines. His covenant with God was violated when he allowed Delilah to seduce him and find out the secret of his covenant. He was even physically blinded by the Philistines, but **he renewed his covenant with Jehovah** and died a hero—killing more Philistines in the temple of their false god, Dagon, than he had killed during his entire life.

36. I Samuel 1 A **PROPHET** named **SAMUEL** is sent by God. He is unusual in that he serves as a prophet, a priest, and a judge. He is esteemed by the people and the Bible says that "none of his words fell to the ground," which means God backed up

every word Samuel declared in the Name of the Lord. The people will eventually reject his leadership and **DEMAND A KING** so that they can be like all the nations around them. Up until this time **GOD WAS THEIR KING!** (*1 Samuel 12:12*)

- 37.** 1 Samuel 9 **SAUL** of the tribe of **BENJAMIN** (*not the tribe of Judah which is the lineage of **The ETERNAL KING, Jesus***) is chosen by God as the **FIRST KING** of the nation of **ISRAEL**. **SAUL** is a powerful young man who “from his shoulders and upward, he was higher than any of the people.” **SAUL LOOKED KINGLY** but, as time progresses, we will see that **OUTWARD APPEARANCES** do **NOT** indicate **KINGLY** or **GODLY CHARACTER!**
- 38.** 1 Samuel 13 **KING SAUL** becomes more **disrespectful of God’s laws, God’s order of worship**, and the **priesthood** God initiated through Moses. He becomes **full of pride** and **makes the tragic mistake of placing himself as a PRIEST** in sacrificing prior to a battle because Samuel was late getting to the sacrifice. Samuel tells **KING SAUL** that **God is finished with him as KING** and that God has “sought him a man after His own heart.”
- 39.** 1 Samuel 15 **KING SAUL** continues to harden his heart **against** the laws of God. He is ordered by God, through Samuel, to **DESTROY the AMALEKITES completely**, but after the battle, **KING SAUL** decides to **SPARE the KING of the AMALKITES, KING AGAG!** Remember, these are the **descendants of ESAU** who have opposed and **fought ISRAEL every step** of the way into the **PROMISED LAND**. They are **symbolic** of our **FALLEN FLESH NATURE** which is at **ENMITY** with the **SPIRITUAL** in us. This is why God said that the **AMALEKITES MUST BE DESTROYED** or they will **destroy you!** We must, through the **power of the INDWELLING HOLY SPIRIT, CRUCIFY that FALLEN FLESH NATURE in us or it will RULE OVER US as a king!** In sparing **KING AGAG, KING SAUL** was in complete **rebellion** to the Word of the Lord. It was so serious that, when **SAMUEL** showed up, **SAMUEL PERSONALLY HEWED AGAG INTO PIECES!!!**

QUESTION: What is God teaching us in the story of King Saul **sparing** the **KING** of the Amalekites, **AGAG?** (*Remember, the Amalekites symbolize **SIN** and our **FALLEN FLESH.***)

ANSWER: _____

40. I Samuel 16 After King Saul's rebellion to the Word of the Lord, God sent **SAMUEL** to **ANOINT** the **NEXT KING OF ISRAEL**. God called this future king "a man after His own heart." King Saul has **no idea** that Samuel has gone to the **house of JESSE** to **ANOINT** his young son, **DAVID**, as the next **KING OF ISRAEL**. When Samuel **ANOINTS DAVID**, the **SPIRIT** comes **UPON DAVID**, but **LEAVES KING SAUL!!!** An **EVIL SPIRIT** begins to trouble **KING SAUL**. David's family is the **LINEAGE OF** the **TRIBE OF JUDAH** and **IS THE CHOSEN ANCESTRY OF THE LORD JESUS CHRIST WHO IS CALLED "THE LION OF THE TRIBE OF JUDAH."** The **SPIRITUAL seed** promised to Abraham so many years before is coming through the **tribe of JUDAH** and **specifically through DAVID'S FAMILY TREE**.

41. I Samuel 17 God sets the stage for little David to achieve fame and the admiration of the nation by allowing a giant named **GOLIATH** to taunt the armies of Israel and back them down. Even **KING SAUL**, who was the **TALLEST MAN in Israel**, was fearful of **GOLIATH**. David, sent by his father like a Domino's Pizza delivery guy, brings corn and bread to his older brothers in Saul's army. He hears **GOLIATH'S CHALLENGE** and **MOCKERY** of the **GOD OF ISRAEL**. With just a **slingshot** and the **ANOINTING OF GOD**, David takes down **GOLIATH** and **BEHEADS** him! (*Remember, as with Moses, God is asking you, "What's in your hand? With MY ANOINTING upon it, YOU can become a 'GIANT' killer!"*)

42. I Samuel 19 **King Saul** realizes that God has **LEFT HIM** and is **with David**. Even though David has been as a son to King Saul—skillfully playing the harp and giving **KING SAUL** some relief from the **DEMONIC SPIRIT** tormenting him—King Saul is super **JEALOUS** and becomes **David's enemy**—trying to kill him on several occasions, but God protects David.

43. I Samuel 28 **King Saul** becomes more **troubled by evil spirits** and begins to **lose his mind**. **King Saul** falls so far away from God that he eventually **consults a MEDIUM** (*which is strictly forbidden in the Law of Moses*). **King Saul** wants to **communicate** with the **dead prophet, SAMUEL**, for advice on the upcoming battle with the Philistines. (*I Samuel 29*) This **MEDIUM**, the **WITCH at ENDOR**, doesn't recognize that **this is KING SAUL** of Israel who has come to see her because **he has DISGUISED HIMSELF**. She is involved with the **OCCULTIC practices of communicating with FAMILIAR SPIRITS**, which are **DEMONIC SPIRITS** (*fallen angels*). They **IMITATE DEAD LOVED ONES**. The **BIBLE** is clear that **DECEASED LOVED ONES CANNOT COMMUNICATE WITH THIS WORLD**. The **WITCH** is completely unaware that **THIS IS**

KING SAUL asking her to do what is forbidden in Israel. God **temporarily suspended the law** regarding contact with the dead in this **SÉANCE** and **actually allowed SAMUEL** to speak with **KING SAUL** in order to tell **KING SAUL that he would DIE IN BATTLE** the next day! We know that **GOD allowed** this because the **WITCH** was **accustomed** to working with **FAMILIAR SPIRITS** and when she saw it was **REALLY SAMUEL**, she knew **GOD WAS INVOLVED** and that this was **KING SAUL** who had requested her to **summon SAMUEL**.

44. I Samuel 31 Just as **SAMUEL** said to the Witch of Endor, **KING SAUL** was severely injured in the battle with the Philistines and **FELL ON HIS OWN SWORD** to prevent the enemies from killing him.
45. II Samuel 1-5 **David** eventually becomes **KING over ALL OF ISRAEL**.
46. II Samuel 7 God **ESTABLISHES HIS COVENANT WITH KING DAVID**—that out of **David’s lineage** would come the **EVERLASTING KING, JESUS CHRIST**. Jesus is sometimes referred to as **“THE GREATER DAVID.”**
47. II Samuel 8 **KING DAVID** is a **MIGHTY WARRIOR** and **conquers MORE NATIONS**, extending the Kingdom of Israel. He is **representative of The Lord Jesus Christ** who will **“CONQUER”** the nations of the earth through His **REDEMPTIVE** work on the **CROSS**. Jesus will be **KING OF KINGS** and **LORD OF LORDS!!!**
48. II Samuel 11-19 Even though **KING DAVID** was a **DEEPLY SPIRITUAL MAN** after God’s own Heart, he had a moment of **WEAKNESS** in his **fallen flesh nature**. **HE WAS SUPPOSED TO BE AT WAR**, not hanging out relaxing at the palace! He saw another man’s wife, **BATHSHEBA**, bathing on the rooftop. He **LUSTED** for her, sent for her, slept with her, and **conceived a child with her**. To cover up the sin of adultery, **KING DAVID had his faithful soldier**, Bathsheba’s husband, **URIAH, KILLED IN BATTLE!** God sent **NATHAN** the prophet to **CONVICT DAVID** of this sin and told him the child would **DIE**. King David truly **REPENTED**. God forgave him and gave **KING DAVID and BATHSHEBA** another son, **SOLOMON**, who would become the **FUTURE KING OF ISRAEL**. Solomon is the son of David who will **carry on the BLOODLINE of JESUS CHRIST**. King David suffers many personal consequences from within his own family as a result of the murder and sin with Bathsheba, even though **God COMPLETELY FORGAVE him**. He even has to abdicate his throne temporarily due to a revolt led by

his own son, **ABSALOM**. Eventually, Absalom is killed by David's general and God allows David to return to the throne in Jerusalem.

49. I Kings 1 King David is old and dying. He faces the **attempted takeover** of his kingdom by **another son, ADONIJAH**. Adonijah's revolt is put down and **KING DAVID names SOLOMON**, by Bathsheba, the **NEXT KING OF ISRAEL**.
50. I Kings 3 **KING SOLOMON** does **not** ask for **riches**, but for **WISDOM to RULE GOD'S PEOPLE**. This pleases God and He gives **KING SOLOMON the wealth** in addition.
51. I Kings 4-10 **KING SOLOMON** becomes **FAMOUS for his WISDOM** and the **KINGDOM** is reaching the **HEIGHT of its NATIONAL GLORY** under him. God is **ALLOWING the ACCUMULATION OF ALL THE WEALTH** in order to bring attention to the **TEMPLE SOLOMON** will build. All of this **GLORY** is a **PHYSICAL REPRESENTATION of the GLORY OF GOD IN JESUS CHRIST, the TRUE ETERNAL TEMPLE OF GOD**.
52. I Kings 11 Like his father King David, **KING SOLOMON** developed a "**WOMAN PROBLEM**." He **disobeyed the Law of Moses** and began **marrying many wives (700)** and taking **300 concubines**. Many of the wives and concubines were **from other idolatrous nations** and they began to have an **effect on KING SOLOMON'S SPIRITUAL CONDITION**. Because the nation is **sinking into idolatry**, God begins to **send ENEMIES** against the **armies of KING SOLOMON**. The nation is in such **spiritual DECLINE** that **God sends a PROPHET** named **AHIJAH** who tells a young man named **JEROBOAM** that God is about to **DIVIDE the KINGDOM** into **10 tribes** and **2 tribes**. The prophet tells **JEROBOAM** that when the **division happens**, God has **chosen him to be KING OF THE NORTHERN KINGOM** with the 10 tribes.
53. I Kings 12 King Solomon **dies** and **his son, REHOBOAM**, is made **King of Israel**. **Rehoboam** is young and **UNWISE**.