RETURNING TO GILGAL

Joshua June 9, 2024

KEY SCRIPTURES

- Joshua 10:22-43
- Joshua 4:21-23
- Joshua 5:8-9
- Colossians 2:9-15

KEY POINTS

- The camp at Gilgal is a significant location for Israel in the Promised Land.
- Gilgal is a shadow of Calvary.
- Gilgal is where the 12-stone monument was set up as a reminder of God's faithfulness when he brought Israels across the Jordan River and Red Sea on dry land.
- The cross is a reminder of God's faithfulness to forgive our sin.
- Gilgal is where the men of Israel were circumcised and God "rolled away" the shame they carried from Egypt.
- The cross is where our old self is put to death by God.
- Gilgal is the first place where Passover was celebrated in the Promised Land.
- The cross points us to the resurrection where we celebrate new life in Christ.
- Throughout the conquest of Joshua and all Israel through southern Canaan, they always returned to the camp at Gilgal.
- Throughout our daily walk with Christ, we ought to return to the cross often.
- We return to the cross of Christ to remember how He faithfully took our sin and shame and replaced it with His righteousness.
- When a king/queen is dethroned, there is a vacancy that must be filled with Christ before another false king/queen takes control.
- As God puts the heads of kings/queens under our feet, we must stay vigilant in fighting against other false kings/queens.

DISCUSSION

- 1. Have you experienced other kings or queens taking over in your heart after overcoming one? Or has a dead king/queen ever resurrected in your heart when you thought you were free from it? Please share.
- 2. What do you do to remember God's faithfulness when it's hard to trust that He is faithful and good?
- 3. What areas do you need to borrow faith from your brothers and sisters in Christ?
- 4. Spend some time praying for each other regarding faith, hope, and trust.