

## Wyoming Men's Retreat Talk outlines:

### **Talk 3 - 1 Hour - Saturday Afternoon @ 1 PM**

- **The Journey of God's First Born!**
  - Abraham sends his servant to find a wife, from among his own people, NOT the Canaanites, for his son Isaac.
    - It was at a well that the wife is found... a reoccurring theme in salvation history and one that will come to its ultimate fulfillment in Jesus meeting the women at the well!
    - Isaac was a righteous man... seeking God and remaining faithful to his ONE wife!
  - Isaac & Rebecca bear 2 sons... Esau & Jacob
    - They are twins...
      - Esau is the eldest... the mountain man! Hunter!
        - Sells his birthright for a pot of stew... shows you how little Esau cared for it &... how MUCH Jacob wanted it!
        - Esau takes for himself multiple Canaanite wives... NOT good!
      - Jacob is the youngest... comes out contending with his brother!
        - Jacob the supplanter... looking for the angel... trying to find the advantage!
    - Jacob supplants his brother
      - with a little help from his mother
      - Tricks Isaac into thinking he was actually Esau and receives the coveted blessing of the first born!
      - Flees for his life by returning to the land of Abraham's people
    - Jacob find his LOVE...
      - At a WELL he meets Rachel & falls in Love
      - Agrees to work 7 years for her father in exchange for her hand in marriage. (a covenant #)
      - Laban tricks the trickster and gives him Leah instead...
      - Jacob, TRICKED into polygamy, works another 7 years for Rachel
        - Crazyness ensues with a competition of who can have more kids... the wives end up giving Jacob their maid servants just like Sarah did with Hagar... we know how well that worked!
      - Jacob wrestles with God on his way back to the land of his father Isaac...
        - Is renamed Israel!

- Becomes the father of the 12 tribes which will become the NATION of Israel... God's First-Born!
- Through the dreamer Joseph... Israel is let to safety in Egypt
  - They receive the choicest land and live in comfort
- Over time... a NEW Dynasty arises in Egypt
  - The new Pharaoh "knows" NOT Israel
    - All covenants are now absolved
    - He wants BACK the choice land in Goshan...
    - Institutes the plan
      - Kill Hebrew male babies...
      - Force Hebrew females to marry Egyptian men and thus pass the land back by inheritance
    - Slavery for the First-Born son of God!
      - God does NOT seem to answer their cries...
        - Have you felt that way? As if God does NOT seem to answer your cries?
- A Savior is born!
  - A 3 month old Levite baby is hidden in the bulrushes of the river's bank to protect him from an evil king who wanted to kill him!
  - The Child was discovered by the daughter of the Pharaoh and was given back to its mother to be nursed.
  - Moses grows up in the court of Pharaoh and set apart from his people!
- The Savior tries his hand at saving his people
  - **Exodus 2:**
    - [11] One day, when Moses had grown up, he went out to his people and looked on their burdens; and he saw an Egyptian beating a Hebrew, one of his people.
    - [12] He looked this way and that, and seeing no one he killed the Egyptian and hid him in the sand.
    - [13] When he went out the next day, behold, two Hebrews were struggling together; and he said to the man that did the wrong, "Why do you strike your fellow?"
    - [14] He answered, "Who made you a prince and a judge over us? Do you mean to kill me as

you killed the Egyptian?" Then Moses was afraid, and thought, "Surely the thing is known."

- [15] When Pharaoh heard of it, he sought to kill Moses. But Moses fled from Pharaoh, and stayed in the land of Mid'ian; and he sat down by a well.
- Do you remember what happened the last time a major Biblical figure came to a well?
  - Moses encounters 7 sisters of a Midianite Priest at the well...
    - the # of Covenant!
    - Moses drives away the shepherds who like to bully the women and hoard the well for themselves.
  - In exchange for this act of charity & bravery...
    - he is given a wife who bares him a son!
    - He settles in as a shepherd for his father-in-law's flocks... the descendants of Abraham.
- The call from the bush!
  - Moses sees the bush a blaze but not consumed!
    - Encounters God
    - Hears God's voice
      - Commands him to remove his shoes as the DIRT is Holy because of God's presence.
      - Ho much MORE the womb of Mary!
    - God reveals His name to Moses...
      - Ego Eme... I AM!
    - Sends Moses on a mission to FREE His First-Born from their bondage...
      - He's heard their cries and is ready to take definitive action!
        - Its hard waiting on the Lord to respond hu?
        - Was God ignoring them or preparing them?
- The battle of Gods!
  - Moses & Aaron confront Pharaoh and his court pagans!
  - 10 Egyptian Gods... 10 Plagues... 10 Victories for the one TRUE God!

- **A How-To Guide on redeeming the First-Born!**
  - **Ex. 12: [3]** Tell all the congregation of Israel that on the **tenth day** of this month they shall **take every man a lamb** according to their fathers' houses, a lamb for a household;
    - Born in a manger... a feeding trough... amongst the flocks raised for sacrifice... in the town of Bethlehem... the House of Bread
    - Behold the Lamb Of God who takes away the sins of the world
    - Jesus' Triumphal entry into Jerusalem was on the 10th Day of Nissan
  - **[5] Your lamb shall be without blemish**, a male a year old; you shall take it from the sheep or from the goats;
    - Not a bone was broken... he was without sin!
  - **[6]** and you shall **keep it until the fourteenth day** of this month, when the whole assembly of the congregation of Israel shall kill their lambs in the evening.
    - Jesus was led like a lamb to the slaughter on the 14th day of Nissan
  - **[7]** Then they shall take some of the blood, and put it on the two doorposts (Hyssop branch vs 22) and the lintel of the houses in which they eat them.
    - The blood of the grape was raised to the lintel of the cross on a hyssop branch.
  - **[8]** They shall **eat the flesh that night**, roasted; with unleavened bread and bitter herbs they shall eat it.
    - This is my body... given up for you!
  - **[11]** In this manner you shall eat it: your loins girded, your sandals on your feet, and your staff in your hand; and **you shall eat it in haste**. It is the LORD's passover.
    - When I am lifted up... I will draw all men to myself
  - **[12]** For I will pass through the land of Egypt that night, and I **will smite all the first-born** in the land of Egypt, both man and beast; and on all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgments: I am the LORD.
    - Jesus IS the True First-Born... only begotten who took upon himself the death of the first-born in order to redeem ALL mankind.
  - **[27]** you shall say, `It is the sacrifice of the LORD's passover, for he passed over the houses of the people of Israel in Egypt, when he slew the Egyptians **but spared our houses**.'" And the people bowed their heads and worshiped.
  - **[28]** Then the people of Israel went and did so; as the LORD had commanded Moses and Aaron, so they did.
    - **Do this in remembrance of me!**
    - **An-nam-nesis**
- **The Waters of Redemption**
  - **Exodus 14:9-31** God's FIRST-BORN is SAVED through Water...

- Sinful Man, Pharaoh, is chasing Israel to destroy Him
  - God causes a WIND to blow & the sea is parted
  - Israel cross on DRY ground & Sinful man is AGAIN washed away in the waters!
  - Notice the elements:
    - Wind - blowing
    - Waters - moving/parting
  - **Romans 6:3 - 9**
    - [3] Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death?
    - [4] We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, so that as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life.
- **A Series of “Plan B’s”**
  - Moses is sent to mediate between God and the people of God & Pharaoh.
    - Moses complains of stuttering... God brings in Aaron!
    - Now Moses is the mediator between God and Aaron/Israel
    - Aaron is the mediator between Moses and Pharaoh
  - The first request to Pharaoh was to let Israel go a 3 day’s journey to offer sacrifice to the Lord.
    - Pharaoh’s hard heart changed that... now... they must be let go permanently! Ex. 6
  - Set apart the First-Born’s for God...
    - The Levites slay 3000 and take possession of the priesthood!
  - Every Tent is a tabernacle to God
    - Only the Tabernacle is where God meets Israel
  - The Moral Law of Ex 19 -24
    - The fallen laws of Ex. 32 through Leviticus, Numbers and Deuteronomy

**\*\*\*Love played out in the Gardens:**

**Idolatry in the Garden of Moses - Exodus 16 to end**

- Moses leads the people through the waters of Salvation into the wilderness!
  - From the garden of Goshen... they are cast out for their idolatry
    - Into the wilderness to be purified and prepared to become a Kingdom of Priests! God’s First-Born has a role to play with God’s other Children
- The people grumble... Accuse God & Moses of Murder!
  - Food
    - Bread & Flesh from heaven
      - A foretaste of the promised land... wafers tasting like honey!
      - DAILY Miracle starts when they enter the wilderness

- Ends when they cross the Jordan & enter into the promised land!
    - Water
      - The ROCK is struck and water flows from its side
      - When Moses STRIKES the Rock a second time... he is forbidden from entering into the promised land.
        - You can only strike the Rock/Lord ONCE!
        - Once it's given... you merely SPEAK it and its graces flow once again!
          - Type of Transubstantiation in the Old Testament!
- God brings them to Sinai
  - Tells Moses to prepare the people for the 3rd Day!
  - Purify themselves... avoid sexual contact... they are to meet God!
    - They didn't take this serious enough... when the time came... they heard thunder not the voice of God. Through the smoke, lightning and fire they trembled with their guilty hearts begging Moses to intercede for them!
      - This is the start of their fall.... They didn't even want to meet their Father!
  - Moses receives the Moral Law - **ON a Mountain...**
    - Fairness for all!
    - No sacrifices
    - No divorce
    - No food laws
    - No crazy rights of purification
      - Jesus Gives the definitive interpretation of this Law ON a Mountain in Matthew 5!
        - Also... Moses walked through the waters...
        - Jesus walks ON the water
        - Moses fed the people, in the wilderness, with bread come down from heaven...
        - Jesus feeds the people, in the wilderness, with miraculous bread and tells them he will give HIMSELF as the TRUE bread come down from heaven!
  - God Calls Moses up the mountain...
    - Moses fasts for 40 days as penance on behalf of the people
    - God knows what's coming and begins to describe a "plan B" for the people!
      - Tabernacle
        - 10 Commands given by God
        - 10 Let there be's in Gen. 1
        - It was GOOD! both were blessed & consecrated!
      - High Priest
      - New Sacrifices... its coming!

- The people weary of waiting on Moses and ask Aaron to fashion an Idol
  - Aaron collects the gold
  - Fashions “Apas” the Bull fertility God
    - Compromise time... “This is the God that led you out of Egypt!”
      - Really... did you NOT see the pillar of smoke/fire?
  - The people feast then rise up to “play”... they had an orgy!
    - Sexual perversion... once again plagues mankind!
- God alerts Moses to what the people are doing...
  - Moses goes down to stop them... smashes the tables of the Law!
  - The clan of Aaron - Levites - take up swords and slay about 3000 that day!
- God takes the priesthood from the First-Born and gives it to the Levites...
  - The clan of Aaron receives the High Priesthood
    - God CLOTHED Adam
    - God Commanded Moses to CLOTH Aaron & His Sons
      - Gold, precious jewels, the stars of the heavens and flowers
      - Washed in ordination and before Priestly service
      - God’s Name was written on the inside of his miter... touching his head... so God’s NAME would be on his mind!
      - He is a walking mini-temple... a mini-Garden of Eden!
  - Aaron, and his successors, will have to sacrifice a bull every year for their part in the worshiping of the golden calf!
  - Moses moves into the role of Prophet!
- This was meant to be temporary...
  - This is when the daily sacrifice starts...
    - the sacrifice of the idols!
    - “You can take God’s people out of Egypt... but, you can’t take Egypt out of God’s people!”
  - If the people could straighten up... they would get back the Priesthood of the First-Born and loose the daily sacrifices!
  - BUT... the next generation will commit the same sin on the plains of Moab!
    - Baal of Peor!
- The people fall
  - From the Mosaic Covenant - the Law of Morality
  - To lesser and lesser Law’s
    - More and more requirements/penance are added on
    - God’s law is dumbed down!
    - They are given the Levitical system
    - They are numbered!

- Taxes - burdens
  - Military service
- Until finally... God commands Moses to give them a law of his own...
  - Its not God giving the law... this is the Law of Moses!
  - LOTS & LOTS of curses... this is a burden hard to bear!
  - Lots of compromise due to the hardness of the their hearts!
    - i.e. - divorce
    - i.e. - total warfare - Canaanites!
  - From Ex. 19 to Deut. 28... a HUGE fall from grace!
    - They would spend 40 years in the wilderness NOW!
- **Deuteronomy 28:**
  - [1] "And if you obey the voice of the LORD your God, being careful to do all his commandments which I command you this day, the LORD your God will set you high above all the nations of the earth.
  - [2] And all these blessings shall come upon you and overtake you, if you obey the voice of the LORD your God.
  - [3] Blessed shall you be in the city, and blessed shall you be in the field.
  - [4] Blessed shall be the fruit of your body, and the fruit of your ground, and the fruit of your beasts, the increase of your cattle, and the young of your flock.
  - [5] Blessed shall be your basket and your kneading-trough.
  - [6] Blessed shall you be when you come in, and blessed shall you be when you go out.
  - [7] "The LORD will cause your enemies who rise against you to be defeated before you; they shall come out against you one way, and flee before you seven ways.
  - [8] The LORD will command the blessing upon you in your barns, and in all that you undertake; and he will bless you in the land which the LORD your God gives you.
  - [9] The LORD will establish you as a people holy to himself, as he has sworn to you, if you keep the commandments of the LORD your God, and walk in his ways.
  - [10] And all the peoples of the earth shall see that you are called by the name of the LORD; and they shall be afraid of you.
  - [11] And the LORD will make you abound in prosperity, in the fruit of your body, and in the fruit of your cattle, and in the fruit of your ground, within the land which the LORD swore to your fathers to give you.
  - [12] The LORD will open to you his good treasury the heavens, to give the rain of your land in its season and to bless all the work of your



hands; and you shall lend to many nations, but you shall not borrow.

■[13] And the LORD will make you the head, and not the tail; and you shall tend upward only, and not downward; if you obey the commandments of the LORD your God, which I command you this day, being careful to do them,

■[14] and if you do not turn aside from any of the words which I command you this day, to the right hand or to the left, to go after other gods to serve them.

○ 14 verses of blessings IF THEY KEEP THE COVENANT!

■But... another 54 verses of CURSES if they don't!

○ Curses:

■[15] "But if you will not obey the voice of the LORD your God or be careful to do all his commandments and his statutes which I command you this day, then all these curses shall come upon you and overtake you.

■[16] Cursed shall you be in the city, and cursed shall you be in the field.

■[17] Cursed shall be your basket and your kneading-trough.

■[18] Cursed shall be the fruit of your body, and the fruit of your ground, the increase of your cattle, and the young of your flock.

■[19] Cursed shall you be when you come in, and cursed shall you be when you go out.

○ There is a prophetic portion to this curse...

■[47] "Because you did not serve the LORD your God with joyfulness and gladness of heart, by reason of the abundance of all things,

■[48] therefore you shall serve your enemies whom the LORD will send against you, in hunger and thirst, in nakedness, and in want of all things; and he will put a yoke of iron upon your neck, until he has destroyed you.

■[49] The LORD will bring a nation against you from afar, from the end of the earth, as swift as the eagle flies, a nation whose language you do not understand,

■[50] a nation of stern countenance, who shall not regard the person of the old or show favor to the young,

■[51] and shall eat the offspring of your cattle and the fruit of your ground, until you are destroyed; who also shall not leave you grain, wine, or oil, the increase of your cattle or the young of your flock, until they have caused you to perish.

■[52] They shall besiege you in all your towns, until your high and fortified walls, in which you trusted, come down throughout all your land; and they shall besiege you in all your towns throughout all your land, which the LORD your God has given you.



- [12] And because wickedness is multiplied, most men's love will grow cold.
- [13] But he who endures to the end will be saved.
- [14] And this gospel of the kingdom will be preached throughout the whole world, as a testimony to all nations; and then the end will come.
- [15] "So when you see the desolating sacrilege spoken of by the prophet Daniel, standing in the holy place (let the reader understand),
- [16] then let those who are in Judea flee to the mountains;
- [17] let him who is on the housetop not go down to take what is in his house;
- [18] and let him who is in the field not turn back to take his mantle.
- [19] And alas for those who are with child and for those who give suck in those days!
- [20] Pray that your flight may not be in winter or on a sabbath.
- [21] For then there will be great tribulation, such as has not been from the beginning of the world until now, no, and never will be.
- [22] And if those days had not been shortened, no human being would be saved; but for the sake of the elect those days will be shortened.

■ **Luke 23:**

- [28] But Jesus turning to them said, "Daughters of Jerusalem, do not weep for me, but weep for yourselves and for your children.
  - [29] For behold, the days are coming when they will say, 'Blessed are the barren, and the wombs that never bore, and the breasts that never gave suck!'
  - [30] Then they will begin to say to the mountains, 'Fall on us'; and to the hills, 'Cover us.'
  - [31] For if they do this when the wood is green, what will happen when it is dry?"
- In 70 AD Titus led the siege against Jerusalem
    - Starving the inhabitants...
    - (Wars: Book 6, Chapter 3, Paragraph 4)
      - There was a certain woman that dwelt beyond Jordan, her name was Mary; her father was Eleazar, of the village Bethzob, which signifies the *house of Hyssop*. She was eminent for her family and her wealth, and had fled away to Jerusalem with the rest of the multitude, and was with them besieged therein at this time. The other effects of this

woman had been already seized upon, such I mean as she had brought with her out of Perea, and removed to the city. What she had treasured up besides, as also what food she had contrived to save, had been also carried off by the rapacious guards, who came every day running into her house for that purpose. This put the poor woman into a very great passion, and by the frequent reproaches and imprecations she cast at these rapacious villains, she had provoked them to anger against her; but none of them, either out of the indignation she had raised against herself, or out of commiseration of her case, would take away her life; and if she found any food, she perceived her labors were for others, and not for herself; and it was now become impossible for her any way to find any more food, while the famine pierced through her very bowels and marrow, when also her passion was fired to a degree beyond the famine itself; nor did she consult with any thing but with her passion and the necessity she was in. She then attempted a most unnatural thing; and snatching up her son, who was a child sucking at her breast, she said, "O thou miserable infant! for whom shall I preserve thee in this war, this famine, and this sedition? As to the war with the Romans, if they preserve our lives, we must be slaves. This famine also will destroy us, even before that slavery comes upon us. Yet are these seditious rogues more terrible than both the other. Come on; be thou my food, and be thou a fury to these seditious varlets, and a by-word to the world, which is all that is now wanting to complete the calamities of us Jews." As soon as she had said this, she slew her son, and then roasted him, and eat the one half of him, and kept the other half by her concealed. Upon this the seditious came in presently, and smelling the horrid scent of this food, they threatened her that they would cut her throat immediately if she did not show them what food she had gotten ready. She replied that she had saved a very fine portion of it for them, and withal uncovered what was left of her son. Hereupon they were seized with a horror and amazement of mind, and stood astonished at the sight, when she said to them, "This is mine own son, and what hath been done was mine own doing! Come, eat of this food; for I have eaten of it myself! Do not you pretend to be either more tender than a woman, or more compassionate than a mother; but if you be so scrupulous, and do abominate this my sacrifice, as I

have eaten the one half, let the rest be reserved for me also." After which those men went out trembling, being never so much affrighted at any thing as they were at this, and with some difficulty they left the rest of that meat to the mother. Upon which the whole city was full of this horrid action immediately; and while every body laid this miserable case before their own eyes, they trembled, as if this unheard of action had been done by themselves. So those that were thus distressed by the famine were very desirous to die, and those already dead were esteemed happy, because they had not lived long enough either to hear or to see such miseries.

■(Wars, 6,9,1)

- Now when Titus was come into this [upper] city, he admired not only some other places of strength in it, but particularly those strong towers which the tyrants in their mad conduct had relinquished; for when he saw their solid altitude, and the largeness of their several stones, and the exactness of their joints, as also how great was their breadth, and how extensive their length, he expressed himself after the manner following: "We have certainly had God for our assistant in this war, and it was no other than God who ejected the Jews out of these fortifications; for what could the hands of men or any machines do towards overthrowing these towers?" At which time he had many such discourses to his friends; he also let such go free as had been bound by the tyrants, and were left in the prisons. To conclude, when he entirely demolished the rest of the city, and overthrew its walls, he left these towers as a monument of his good fortune, which had proved his auxiliaries, and enabled him to take what could not otherwise have been taken by him.

■(Wars,6,9,3)

- Now the number [\(32\)](#) of those that were carried captive during this whole war was collected to be ninety-seven thousand; as was the number of those that perished during the whole siege eleven hundred thousand, the greater part of whom were indeed of the same nation [with the citizens of Jerusalem], but not belonging to the city itself; for they were come up from all the country to the feast of unleavened bread, and were on a sudden shut up by an army, which, at the very first, occasioned so great a straitness among them, that there came a pestilential

destruction upon them, and soon afterward such a famine, as destroyed them more suddenly.

- There is one curse in the Law of Moses that applies to just one man...

- **Deuteronomy 21:**

- [18] "If a man has a stubborn and rebellious son, who will not obey the voice of his father or the voice of his mother, and, though they chastise him, will not give heed to them,
- [19] then his father and his mother shall take hold of him and bring him out to the elders of his city at the gate of the place where he lives,
- [20] and they shall say to the elders of his city, 'This our son is stubborn and rebellious, he will not obey our voice; he is a glutton and a drunkard.'
- [21] Then all the men of the city shall stone him to death with stones; so you shall purge the evil from your midst; and all Israel shall hear, and fear.
- [22] "And if a man has committed a crime punishable by death and he is put to death, and you hang him on a tree,
- [23] his body shall not remain all night upon the tree, but you shall bury him the same day, for a hanged man is accursed by God; you shall not defile your land which the LORD your God gives you for an inheritance.

- The stubborn & stiff necked people

- **Selfishness & wickedness**

- The real price we pay for committing sin... is the SIN itself
  - Killing the life of Grace in our souls
  - cutting us OFF from God
  - Casting us out of his presence!

- **Onward First-Born!**

- Moses makes it as far as Mt. Nebo where he could see the Promised land but NOT enter it... there he died and was buried!

- **He Struck the Rock a second time instead of speaking to it**

- **Numbers 20:**

- [8] "Take the rod, and assemble the congregation, you and Aaron your brother, and tell the rock before their eyes to yield its water; so you shall bring water out of the rock for them; so you shall give drink to the congregation and their cattle."
- [9] And Moses took the rod from before the LORD, as he commanded him.
- [10] And Moses and Aaron gathered the assembly together before the rock, and he said to them, "Hear now,

you rebels; shall we bring forth water for you out of this rock?"

- [11] And Moses lifted up his hand and struck the rock with his rod twice; and water came forth abundantly, and the congregation drank, and their cattle.
- [12] And the LORD said to Moses and Aaron, "Because you did not believe in me, to sanctify me in the eyes of the people of Israel, therefore you shall not bring this assembly into the land which I have given them."
  - This is a type of the Transubstantiation of the Eucharist in the New Testament Church!
- Joshua (same name as Jesus) leads the people THROUGH the waters of the Jordan!
  - On Dry Land
  - Lead by the 12 Princes
  - Into the Promised Land
    - How do you enter the Promised Land?
      - Through the waters of Baptism!
  - Circumcised every male - Joshua 5
    - Why?
      - So they could partake in the passover!
    - A prefigurment of the 2 Sacraments...
      - Baptism
      - Eucharist
  - Initiates the conquest of Canaan
    - 7 circuits around Jericho
      - The battle is the Lords!
    - Their job was to...
      - Take possession of the land!
      - Drive out the inhabitants
      - Destroy the the idols...
    - They failed at their job
      - Fell prey to idolatry... AGAIN!
  - Joshua warns them..
    - In his old age... he performs a covenant renewal with the people...
      - warning them that to accept the covenant comes with GREAT responsibility and they should NOT take it lightly.
      - **Joshua 24:[15]** And if you be unwilling to serve the LORD, choose this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your fathers served in the region beyond the River, or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you dwell; but as for me and my house, we will serve the LORD."
      - **Exodus 34:[6]** The LORD passed before him, and proclaimed, "The LORD, the LORD, a God merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness,
      - [7] keeping steadfast love for thousands, forgiving iniquity and transgression and sin, but who will by

no means clear the guilty, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children and the children's children, to the third and the fourth generation."

■ Whom do you serve?

■ What sins did you inherit from your father?

- I inherited pornography and sexual perversion from my father....
- My son's will NOT inherit that from me!... As for me and my house... we will serve the Lord!

○ The 12 Judges...

■ Israel falls into a crazy cycle

- Sin
- Slavery
- Supplication
- Salvation & Surplus

■ God hears their cries and sends them a Judge to deliver them... they fall and repeat all over again.

■ Judges depicts the adolescence of the people... they are still NOT ready for their mission... to be a Kingdom of Priests

- Still falling prey to the idolatry of their surroundings.
- A new day is coming!

● **The people evoke the King Clause!**

○ Tired of the corruption of the Levitical Priests and on-again, off-again judges...

■ The people wanted to be LIKE the other nations with a KING!

- Be careful what you ask for.... you may just get it!

○ God raised up Samuel..

■ God heard the cries of Hannah... who was barren... and she conceived Samuel

■ Hannah gives him to the Lord for service after he is weaned.

■ Eli the High Priest adopts and raised the boy who will become a mighty prophet and successor as Judge over Israel

- Eli was a corrupt Priest/Judge.
- His sons... Hophni & Phineas... were corrupt & trouble makers
- Eli refused to take action against them... refusing to discipline his sons!

○ Do we love our kids enough to give them the gift of boundaries... consequence to action?

- All 3 meet a tragic end!

■ Sampson's own sons also grow up crooked...

- The people had enough...
- GIVE US A KING... they demand!

○ God was their King



- They were to be a kingdom of Priests... leading the NATIONS back to God
- Instead they sought to be JUST LIKE the other nations and fall away from God.
- God warned them... a King like the others is NOT a good thing...
  - They will pay heavy burdens in taxes and military services...having their property, sons and money conscripted and collected!
- **Deut. 17:**
  - [14] "When you come to the land which the LORD your God gives you, and you possess it and dwell in it, and then say, 'I will set a king over me, like all the nations that are round about me';
  - [15] you may indeed set as king over you him whom the LORD your God will choose. One from among your brethren you shall set as king over you; you may not put a foreigner over you, who is not your brother.
- **1 Samuel 8:**
  - [10] So Samuel told all the words of the LORD to the people who were asking a king from him.
  - [11] He said, "These will be the ways of the king who will reign over you: he will take your sons and appoint them to his chariots and to be his horsemen, and to run before his chariots;
  - [12] and he will appoint for himself commanders of thousands and commanders of fifties, and some to plow his ground and to reap his harvest, and to make his implements of war and the equipment of his chariots.
  - [13] He will take your daughters to be perfumers and cooks and bakers.
  - [14] He will take the best of your fields and vineyards and olive orchards and give them to his servants.
  - [15] He will take the tenth of your grain and of your vineyards and give it to his officers and to his servants.
  - [16] He will take your menservants and maidservants, and the best of your cattle and your asses, and put them to his work.
  - [17] He will take the tenth of your flocks, and you shall be his slaves.
  - [18] And in that day you will cry out because of your king, whom you have chosen for yourselves; but the LORD will not answer you in that day."

- [19] But the people refused to listen to the voice of Samuel; and they said, "No! but we will have a king over us,
- [20] that we also may be like all the nations, and that our king may govern us and go out before us and fight our battles."
- [21] And when Samuel had heard all the words of the people, he repeated them in the ears of the LORD.
- [22] And the LORD said to Samuel, "Hearken to their voice, and make them a king." Samuel then said to the men of Israel, "Go every man to his city."
- They got exactly what they asked for...
  - Samuel anointed Saul as King over the people
    - He started off ok but quickly fell
      - Presumed the role Priest
        - Lost Dynasty
          - 1 Sam 13: [13] And Samuel said to Saul, "You have done foolishly; you have not kept the commandment of the LORD your God, which he commanded you; for now the LORD would have established your kingdom over Israel for ever.
          - [14] But now your kingdom shall not continue; the LORD has sought out a man after his own heart; and the LORD has appointed him to be prince over his people, because you have not kept what the LORD commanded you."
      - He was impatient... took liberties where they were not his to take...
        - Do we ? Will we wait on the Lord? Or do we take control.... take the bull by the horns? How has that worked out so far?
      - Was told to wipe out the Amalekites
        - Keeps the best for booty and blames it on the army!
        - Claims it was to be offered as a Sacrifice to God...
        - 1 Sam 15: [22] And Samuel said, "Has the LORD as great delight in burnt offerings and sacrifices, as in obeying the voice of the LORD? Behold, to obey is better than sacrifice, and to hearken than the fat of rams.



covenant relationship with him...  
further proof of the heart of this man.

- 2 Sam. 2:19-24

- A Father to the Nations..
  - He transformed a Nation into a Dynasty into an Empire over the other Nations,,,
  - Through his son... the Nations would come, receive wisdom and be blessed.
  - Concur the LAST stronghold of the promised land...
    - Jerusalem sends it blind, lame and crippled to fend off David.
    - In **Luke 18:31-43**
      - Jesus & the 12 are on their way to Jerusalem
      - A Blind man sat begging along the road... cried out...
      - **[38]** And he cried, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!"
      - **[40]** And Jesus stopped, and commanded him to be brought to him; and when he came near, he asked him,
      - **[41]** "What do you want me to do for you?" He said, "Lord, let me receive my sight."
      - **[42]** And Jesus said to him, "Receive your sight; your faith has made you well."
      - **[43]** And immediately he received his sight and followed him, glorifying God; and all the people, when they saw it, gave praise to God.
- Priest & King
  - Is given the Holy Bread to eat - **1 Sam. 21:1-6**
  - **2 Samuel 6** - Brought up the ark
    - Wore the seamless linen garment of the High Priest
    - Danced before the ark
    - Offered Sacrifices before the ark
    - Pitches the tent/tabernacle in Jerusalem
    - Offered Burnt offerings and peace offerings before the Lord.
  - Is the NEW Melchizedek

- Shem Bar Noah
  - King Of Salem
    - Offered Bread & Wine as a sacrifice with Abraham in Genesis 14
  - David BLESSED the people & Offered each...
    - Bread & a portion of “meat”
      - Hebrew can also be rendered as WINE...
- David is proclaimed KING of the people...
  - A short civil war ensues...
  - The people come to David at Hebron and proclaim...
    - **2 Sam 5: [1]** Then all the tribes of Israel came to David at Hebron, and said, "**Behold, we are your bone and flesh.**"
    - [2] In times past, when Saul was king over us, it was you that led out and brought in Israel; and the LORD said to you, `You shall be shepherd of my people Israel, and you shall be prince over Israel.'"
      - [3] So all the elders of Israel came to the king at Hebron; and King David made a covenant with them at Hebron before the LORD, and they anointed David king over Israel.
      - [4] **David was thirty years old when he began to reign,** and he reigned forty years.
        - Covenant language
        - Marital Language
          - Should remind you of **Genesis 2:23**
          - A NEW Adam & a New Bride... the people
        - Know any other Messiah Kings who marry the people and started their reign at 30?
          - **Luke 3:[23]** Jesus, when he began his ministry, was about thirty years of age, being the son (as was supposed) of Joseph
- God's Covenant with David
  - When David fulfills the conquest of the promised land... he wants to build the HOUSE for the NAME (shem) of God to be worshiped...
  - God says to David, through Nathaniel the Prophet,...
    - You want to build me a HOUSE?
    - I will build you a HOUSE... a SHEM for eternity...
      - A Dynastic House
  - **2 Samuel 7:**

- [8] Now therefore thus you shall say to my servant David, `Thus says the LORD of hosts, I took you from the pasture, from following the sheep, that you should be prince over my people Israel;
- [9] and I have been with you wherever you went, and have cut off all your enemies from before you; and **I will make for you a great name**, like the name of the great ones of the earth.
- [10] And I will appoint a place for my people Israel, and will plant them, that they may dwell in their own place, and be disturbed no more; and violent men shall afflict them no more, as formerly,
- [11] from the time that I appointed judges over my people Israel; and I will give you rest from all your enemies. Moreover the **LORD declares to you that the LORD will make you a house.**
- [12] When your days are fulfilled and you lie down with your fathers, **I will raise up your offspring after you, who shall come forth from your body, and I will establish his kingdom.**
- [13] **He shall build a house for my name, and I will establish the throne of his kingdom for ever.**
  - Notice... its NOT David who will build this house... but Solomon... the SON of David.
- The cool part...
  - The son of David will be the SON of GOD!
    - [14] I will be his father, and he shall be my son.
- The not so cool part...
  - WHEN this SON commits iniquity...
    - [14] ... When he commits iniquity, **I will chasten him with the rod of men, with the stripes of the sons of men;**
- A NEW Law for Man!
  - 2 Sam. 7:18-19
  - This is a Kingdom which will act as Priest & giver of wisdom to ALL Nations... not just the Israelites
  - Through the parables... the NATIONS will come to God!
- **Lust in the Garden of the David - 2 Sam. 11**
  - At the height of every covenant mediator... there is a fall!
  - David has one weakness... women!
    - In the Spring when Kings take their armies out to fight...

- David send the army & parties all night and sleeps in all day!
- Lusts over Bathsheba... has her brought to him and sleeps with her
  - She was purifying herself from her minstrel cycle... the 13th day... the most fertile day in a woman's cycle.
  - Very pious Israelite thing to do...
- Tries to cover up his sin by recalling Uriah the Hittite (Gentile serving in the inner circle of the court of David)
  - Uriah refuses to lounge and enjoy himself when the army is at battle
    - unlike David
  - David gets him drunk... still he refuses to go home and sleep with his wife out of loyalty for his king and country.
- David has him set up to be cut down in battle.
  - First adultery
  - Then murder
- Sometimes the price we pay for committing sin... is the sin itself!
  - The family of David would be cast into chaos...
    - The son of Bathsheba will die
    - Amnon rapes his half-sister Tamar
    - David refuses to discipline his son
      - remind you of Eli?
    - Absalom will kill Amnon
    - Absalom will try to take over the Kingdom from David
      - Sleep with his father Concubines in public
        - Think Ham
        - Think Ruben
    - Absalom will die while hanging after betraying the Messiah King!
      - remind you of anyone? Judas!  
MORE TO COME!
    - Adonijah will also try a coup... also try and take Daddy's wife... will also be cut down by another of David's sons, Solomon
  - Once again... the sins of the father are visited upon the whole family....
    - What are we doing to protect our families?

- Do we allow lust, anger or selfishness to invade our home?
- The Son of David ascends to the throne in 1 Kings 1 and following
  - Receives the Covenant blessing of his father David and is warned to keep the Law of Moses (Deut.)
  - Is washed in the Gehon by Zadok the Priest
  - Rides triumphantly to the Temple on the Donkey of the King
    - The people shout Hosanna in the Highest & lay down their garments
  - Is given great wisdom
    - Proclaims the Proverbs or wisdom to the Gentiles
      - Greek word is Parabalei - or parable!
        - They come from far off to give him Gold & Frankincense
        - To hear his wisdom
    - Marries the nations
      - with covenant treatise - taking brides - daughters from rulers and kings.
  - Has a fall of his own...
    - Dabbles in idolatry... thanks to his many Pagan wives!
    - Falls prey to the 3 fold concupiscence.
      - **Duet. 17:**
        - [15] you may indeed set as king over you him whom the LORD your God will choose. One from among your brethren you shall set as king over you; you may not put a foreigner over you, who is not your brother.
        - [16] Only **he must not multiply horses for himself, or cause the people to return to Egypt in order to multiply horses**, since the LORD has said to you, 'You shall never return that way again.'
        - [17] **And he shall not multiply wives for himself, lest his heart turn away; nor shall he greatly multiply for himself silver and gold.**
        - [18] "And when he sits on the throne of his kingdom, he shall write for himself in a book a copy of this law, from that which is in the charge of the Levitical priests;
        - [19] and it shall be with him, and he shall read in it all the days of his life, that he may learn to fear the LORD his God, by keeping all the words of this law and these statutes, and doing them;
        - [20] that his heart may not be lifted up above his brethren, and that he may not turn aside from the commandment, either to the right hand or to the



left; so that he may continue long in his kingdom,  
he and his children, in Israel.

- He breaks ALL 3 of these
  - Whole cities of horses
    - military power
    - Pride of Life
  - 1000 wives
    - Lust of the Flesh
  - 666 talents of Gold
    - Lust of the Eyes
  
- **Exile in the Garden of the Temple 1 Kings 6 - 8**
  - A recreation of the Garden of Eden
    - Vineyards - trees & plants, fruits
    - Rivers & pools of water
    - Gold, silver, stones
    - Cherubim's
    - Entered from the East
  - Built in 7 years
    - Consecrated on the 7 month on the 7th day on the 7th day of the feast of weeks!
    - The Shekina Glory cloud comes down!
  - Solomon - the Son of God - the Messiah- looses his way... marries the world!
  
- **In the end...**
  - Solomon's son, Rehoboem will increase the Burden upon the people
    - The son of the Wise King who built God's house upon the ROCK of the Even-Shet-E-yah ....
      - **2 Chronicles 10: [10]** And the young men who had grown up with him said to him, "Thus shall you speak to the people who said to you, `Your father made our yoke heavy, but do you lighten it for us'; thus shall you say to them, `My little finger is thicker than my father's loins.
      - **[11]** And now, whereas my father laid upon you a heavy yoke, I will add to your yoke. My father chastised you with whips, but I will chastise you with scorpions."
  - A NEW Wise King will come..., the Son of David, who will build HIS House upon the Rock of St. Peter and take away the burden of the people...
    - **Matthew 11: [28]** Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.
    - **[29]** Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls.
    - **[30]** For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."

**Questions:**

- What sins are we allowing into our home?

- Read Psalm 51... if I could repent like David... I would sin like David. How are we repenting for our sins? What penance are we offering up for those entrusted into our care and custody?