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Joshua

Lesson 1 Introduction - Typology

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The typology of the OT books is very interesting. Read Joshua 1:1-9 Here we have the place, condition, and the type we are to learn from these Old Testament truths in this New Testament day.

The children of Israel in Exodus were in Egypt; they were bound by Pharaoh, typifying our lost condition – dead in trespasses and sins unable to free or deliver ourselves. On Passover night through the blood of an innocent lamb, the children of Israel were delivered from the bondage of Egypt, typifying and picturing for us our salvation through the shed blood of the Lamb of God, the Lord Jesus Christ. In Exodus, we find that the children of Israel, not long out of Egypt, come to the Red Sea and they are pursued by Pharaoh's army – who wants to bring them back into bondage.

By faith, they choose to step between those walls of water in the Red Sea crossing over the New Testament says that is a type or a picture of our baptism (not water baptism) (see Romans 6:4-6) which puts separation and space between ourselves and the old life, between ourselves in the world as we act in obedience to the word of God. Many religions teach water baptism is a necessity for salvation. You are not going to get saved by getting baptized in water and you are not going to be sanctified from all remnants of the world by being baptized in water but sooner or later you must learn to trust God enough to obey Him and do what He says.

Then, the book of Numbers deals with the wilderness wandering, that is for 38 years, people who were bound by Pharaoh, are now free to enter the Promise Land but they find themselves under another type of bondage – they are bound by their unbelief. This pictures and represents for us the carnal mind. Saved men, women, boys, and girls, who **could** enter the land of promise – they are no longer the possession and property of Pharaoh in Egypt – they are saved but they are carnally minded they live as though they were slaves to sin servants to sin not because they have to be, but because they choose to be. The Bible says Romans 8:6 *For to be carnally minded is death; but to be spiritually minded is life and peace.*

Then comes the book of Joshua to Gilgal, the place where the covenant is renewed, representing for us humble submission to the will and word of God. You will never get out of the wilderness, never be free of your carnal mind until you can humbly submit yourself to the word of God. The majority of so-called Christianity today is nothing more than carnally minded people trying to get the word of God to submit to them. *“Well, God told me... well God said... well God showed me... well I feel...”* You are a carnally minded man or woman wandering

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about in the wilderness you will **never** get to the Promised Land until you submit yourself to the word of God.

Then we have Canaan – that is an unusual place where the people are at rest and yet they are fighting. Canaan-land is not a picture of heaven; Canaan-land is a picture of the spiritually minded believer. Two things stand out in these verses that we read.

1. God says I have already given you every square foot of that land. (Genesis 12:7; 13:14-17; 15:18; 48:4; Joshua 1:3-4)
2. You do not have any of it to enjoy until you go fight for it and claim it. Now, if you will go fight for it and claim it – **nobody** can keep you from possessing it; you cannot just claim it, you must fight for it. Our churches today are full of carnally minded people sitting and saying, “*well, if God would just take this habit away... if God would just make me spiritual... if God would just make me want to read the Bible...*” you are going to stay carnally minded all your life because God said, “Get up, go fight and take that land.” The two work together in both the Old Testament and the New Testament. (Exodus 1:10; Joshua 10:25)

The Lord said, “The whole land is yours and **nobody** can keep you from getting it, except you. If you do not want to go fight for those things that I will freely give you – then you will never enjoy them.”

If you do not believe that, there is an entire generation of Israelites who every single one of them could have entered Canaan’s land, driven out seven enemy armies without one casualty, they just did not believe it enough to go do what I told them. (Exodus 1:10) Then a generation that follows; follows the same God according to the same word, claiming the same promises and Jericho falls, the Hittites fall, the Hivites fall, the Amorites fall and Perizzites fall – they never losing one man. But they had to go to get their property, their territory.

Now here is what the Lord wants. He wants to give me heavenly blessings on earth but He is not going to force them upon me. He is going to wait until I, from my heart, act in obedience to His word and lay hold upon those promises, those blessings.

Turn to Deuteronomy 11:18. *Therefore shall ye lay up these my words in your heart and in your soul... these my words.* Not the words to secular songs, *these my words*. Not the words of political talk show hosts, *these my words*. Not the words of the sports page, *these my words*. *Therefore shall ye lay up these my words in your heart and in your soul, and bind them for a sign upon your hand, that they may be as frontlets between your eyes.* The Lord said, just put my words out there where you can see them. Put them everywhere you go. Hang them on your walls. Put a verse on your dashboard. Tape a verse to your bathroom mirror. Put a verse on your refrigerator. Just put the scripture everywhere. You say, why. It’s a whole lot easier to keep it on your mind and in your heart if you’re looking at it every time you turn around. Keep it around.

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Deuteronomy 11:19. *And ye shall teach them (to) your children, speaking of them when thou sittest in thine house, and when thou walkest by the way, when thou liest down, and when thou risest up.* What is the topic of conversation around your home, around your dinner table, the living room? Is it the word of God? I am just telling you right now, we have boys and girls, that are saved and on their way to heaven sitting in churches all across America these days, they could tell you the legends of Harry Potter, expound on this weeks CSI episodes and cannot quote three verses out of the book of John. Something is out of order. Harry Potter did not die for your sins. There is no singer, actor or athletic that shed his or her blood on the cross to save you. They could care less if you lived or died.

If you are in a Bible Study like this one and its' teachings have not convinced you, then what is left for GOD to do? Anyone who has been doing these Bible lessons from the beginning – you know more about the scriptures than 90 % of Church-goers that live on planet Earth. If you do not have a burning desire to have the scriptures around you every waking moment, then something is desperately wrong. You need to fall to your knees repenting of your sin and unbelief.

Deuteronomy 11:20-21. *And thou shalt write them upon the door posts of thine house, and upon thy gates: 21 (Now watch. Look what God is after.) That your days may be multiplied, and the days of your children, in the land which the Lord swore unto your fathers to give them, as the days of heaven upon the earth.* Do you see what the Lord's objective is in giving us the Bible? He wants to enable us to live on earth in as close a replica of life in heaven as is possible. He wants me thinking, talking, rejoicing, fellowshiping just like people do in heaven, He wants me entertaining and amusing myself with those things that characterize **heaven** not the world.

Now let's be honest. You are doing a good Bible Study, unlike a majority of Bible lessons available to you in the jails, and while you are doing our Lessons you are removed so to say from the world, but what happens to you as soon as you have written that last memory verse, the lesson is over, do you go right back to talking about whatever it was you were talking about that wasn't God; it wasn't the Bible; it wasn't Jesus Christ; it wasn't getting people saved. People **are not** going to make fun of you for talking about the weather, sports, politics. If it is your desire to be pleasing your Saviour, you should be talking about the same things He is talking about.

Deuteronomy 11:22. *For if ye shall diligently keep all these commandments which I command you, to do them, to love the LORD your God, to walk in all his ways, and cleave unto him;* God puts obeying His word before loving Him. Those who think you can just live like the devil but it is okay because you love the Lord that is a lie. I love my wife but, if I am not true to her, I do not love her. If I claim to love my children and I abuse them, I do not love them. If I claim to love the Lord and my life is not in accord with the clear teachings of His word, then I am

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deceiving myself and others. Jesus said, if you love me, you will keep my commandments. The order here is *diligently keep all these commandments... to love the LORD your God*. The word of God facilitates love for God.

Deuteronomy 11:23. *Then will the LORD drive out all these nations from before you, and ye shall possess greater nations and mightier than yourselves*. Do you want to get that habit, addiction, or sin, out of your life? Then you must fill your life with the word of God. We are trying to rid our lives of evil and God said that is not the starting place. The starting place is to fill your life with righteousness until there is no room **left** for the evil.

The Bible says in verse in 23 again, *Then will the LORD drive out all these nations from before you, and ye shall possess greater nations and mightier than yourselves*. Cussing, depression, lust, anger and pride are stronger than you sir, is stronger than you ma'am. You cannot defeat your sins. You cannot conquer your faults. They are greater than you. They are mightier than you. But if you **fill** your mind with God's word and **fill** your heart with God's love – they will take off running. You will not have to defeat them – God will drive them out for you. You can spend ten minutes at an altar praying about your temper and then go right back to another three hours of worldly music and/or another three hours worldly TV, someone comments about how you look and you get mad all over again. It is mightier than you are. You are going to have to get full of God. When you get filled up with God there will not be any room left for that old man to operate.

Deuteronomy 11:24. *Every place whereon the soles of your feet shall tread shall be yours: from the wilderness and Lebanon, from the river, the river Euphrates, even unto the uttermost sea shall your coast be. (KJV)*

Deuteronomy 11:25 I know what they are teaching in most of the Churches nowadays this psychological stuff, substituting for Bible preaching? You are getting verse 25 without the context. Some guy with a microphone waving around his coat and carrying on, on the stage yelling "...nobody can stand before you – God will drive out all your enemies..." Well, that is a great verse – but they ignored everything God told **you** to do. What will happen is you will end up mad at God bitter because He did not drive out your enemies like He said He would. Remember what He said first... *diligently keep all these commandments... to love the LORD your God*.

This idea you can be as spiritually powerful, as spiritually victorious as you want to be, just say you want to be, that just does not happen.

Ephesians 1:3 *Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who hath (Look at the past tense.) ... blessed us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places in Christ*: That is great. Every spiritual blessing God has to give is mine. "It is mine – ALL mine."

Read Ephesians 1:16-23 God said, "The great **power** by which Jesus rose from the dead, ascended to the right hand of the Father, by which Jesus Christ defeated every spiritual foe is **mine**... is **yours**, if you are saved.

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We have available to us, the power over Satan, unclean spirits, temptation, vice, lusts that God put in manifestation when He raised Jesus Christ from the dead – that is available to me; and to you. Look at those Israelites, wandering around in the desert. “Oh, what a terrible thing, out there 38 years – everybody dying...” “You think that was terrible – really?” When you start looking at it in these terms, it was not terrible at all. They just got up, went to the mall, the gas station, the beach, to work – stopped by a store, bought some groceries, went to Wal-Mart. It was not terrible... That is just the way it is – wonder around till you die. They were not miserable out there in the wilderness. They were comfortable in the wilderness. They were used to being in the wilderness. It was easier than risking that Jordan River and those walls of Jericho. Why take a chance on being spiritual – we can coast along with the rest of the crew that is dying out here.

We are in a good Bible Study with the right Bible and sound doctrine but we are comfortable to be carnally minded. We are comfortable dwelling in the wilderness. Before we get too excited about this great book of Joshua which is about crossing into the Promise Land, do you want to cross into the Promise Land? Or do you just want to do another Bible lesson, add another one for your file, by the time you finish all of our lessons you will be dead or out of jail.

Notes

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Name _____

1. What is the theme of this Lesson?
2. Who is my first enemy?
3. Explain why the children of Israel were enjoying there time in the wilderness?
4. What is the best way to overcome the sins in your life?
5. Explain the difference between the Children of Israel under Moses and the children of Israel under Joshua?
6. Explain the term "days of heaven upon earth"
7. Explain "success" in Bible terms.
8. Explain why you cannot be spiritually powerful, just cause you want to be?

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9. Explain the typologies in Joshua 1: 1-9.

10. What is a person saying when he says something like *“Well, God told me... well God said... well God showed me... well I feel...”*?

11. Explain the Passover night comparing it with the New Testament teachings.

12. Explain Deuteronomy 11:19.

True/False

- God says I have already given you every square foot of that land.
- You do not have any of it to enjoy until you go fight for it and claim it.
- I need to fill my mind with the word of God



Scripture Memorization; (write these on the back on the sheet, Must be in KJV) Philippians 3: 8; Deuteronomy 11:19; Deuteronomy 11:21.

Any questions?