

Study Guide

Joshua 5 – Who's On My Side?

My Story

1. What 'rite of passage' marked your coming of age? First job, driving, voting, graduation, marriage, etc.?

Digging Deeper

2. The Lord directed Joshua to "circumcise <u>again</u> the sons of Israel for the <u>second time</u> (v.2)." What does this show us about the previous generation's obedience (or lack of it)?

3. After a demonstration of Israel's obedience, the Lord told Joshua that He had "rolled away the reproach of Egypt" (v.9). Read John 8:34, Rom. 8:1-2 & 1 John 1:9. What does it mean to you that God has rolled away the reproach of your slavery to sin?

4. When Joshua met the Commander of the Lord's Army (vv.13-15) Joshua asked whose side he was on. The response was essentially, "I am on God's side." What would it mean for us to declare we are on the Lord's side?

Reflection

5. In what ways can we sometimes be prone to ignore some of God's commands that we find uncomfortable or inconvenient?

6. What are some ways we can express a greater reverence for God in our personal lives?

Taking the Next Step

A simple definition of obedience is, "to hear God's Word and act accordingly." Take time this week to read Jesus' Sermon on the Mount (Matt. 5-7). Pray that God would help you to take His instruction to heart and act accordingly.

Praises / Prayer Requests

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SERMON NOTES

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