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Worship Service
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Questions God Asks: How Will You Respond?

Lesson Nine • Joshua 7:1-26

Why Have You Fallen On Your Face?

God's Question: "Get Up! Why have you fallen on your face?"

When defeated due to sin, GET UP and deal with sin according to God's direction and provision in His Son Jesus Christ.

The Devoted Things

Israel experienced the AGONY of defeat and the ANGER of the Lord because they broke faith in regard to the devoted things (v. 1).

The Agony of Defeat

1. Israel's Humiliating DEFEAT: Pride Comes Before a Fall into Sin! v. 2-5

Vulnerability After Success

- Israel was OVERCONFIDENT after their victory at Jericho.
- Israel was OVERCOME with fear after their defeat at Ai.

2. Joshua's Painful DISMAY: Sin Causes Anguish Before the Lord! v. 6-12

After Defeat or Loss

There's a need for LAMENT before the Lord and then there's a need for ACTION according to the Lord.

3. God's Specific DIRECTIONS: Be Sure Your Sin Will Find You Out! v. 13-15

4. Achan's Tragic DISCOVERY: Confession of Sin Brings Glory to God! v. 16-21

Achan's Confession

Achan confessed that he SINNED against the Lord and what he did concerning some of the devoted things: "I saw, I coveted, I took, I hid."

5. Sin's Awful DESTRUCTION: Sin Brings Consequences That Must Be Faced! v. 22-26

A Door of Hope

Sin leads to a "valley of trouble" but God has provided a "door of HOPE" in Jesus Christ that leads to salvation of all who trust in Him.

"Therefore, behold, I will allure her, and bring her into the wilderness, and speak tenderly to her. And there I will give her her vineyards and make the Valley of Achor a door of hope."
Hosea 2:14

For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.
Romans 6:23

In Him we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of His grace. Ephesians 1:7