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- Ideal covenant family? Much like ours...
- God ALWAYS uses imperfect people – But Seek Holiness!
- Remember it is about His Grace, not our Works!
- Remember when we fail at doing life using God's ways and we fall into selfishness, lack of faithfulness, jealousy, etc. God will remain faithful!
- God uses us despite us: Mt 16:18 His Will will prevail!
- Lesson: Christians don't get favors from God because we are better than unbelievers - we get favor because of God's grace alone!
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