Exodus 19:5 “Now therefore, if you will indeed obey My voice and keep My covenant, you shall be My treasured possessions among all peoples, for all the earth is Mine.” ESV
Inconceivable

LESSON 22
INCONCEIVABLE – God’s Covenant

A NEW LIFE FOR ISRAEL

A. Victory over past

B. Redemption is the beginning

C. Learning in the wilderness
   1. What does the wilderness accomplish?
      a. The wilderness exercises spiritual muscles.
      b. The wilderness helps teach obedience and dependence.
   2. There were three important challenges in the wilderness.

THE TESTS

A. First crisis – thirst
   1. What happened?
   2. The people’s reaction
   3. What did God do?
      a. He changes bitterness to sweetness.
      b. What is the “Branch” in our lives?
      c. God’s new Name
d. God’s abundance

B. Second crisis – hunger
   1. What happened?
   2. What did God do?
      a. Provided “What is it?”

“This substance is described as occurring in flakes or small round grains, literally, “hoax frost”; it fell with the dew and appeared when the dew left the ground…and the taste of it was like wafers made with honey.”

   b. It is a picture of our “Bread of Life”.

C. Third crisis – war
   1. What happened?
   2. What did God do?
      a. There is victory when we look UP?
      b. God’s new Name
   3. The picture - our battle

D. What can we learn?
   1. Marriage provides a picture.
   2. Are we grumblers or grateful?

GOD’S PURPOSES FOR HIS PEOPLE

A. Who are they?
   1. They are people to be protected.
   2. They are people to be treasured.
B. To be a “covenant people”
1. What is a **covenant**?
2. What were the **stipulations**?

C. Comparing the new covenant with the old
1. Jesus **brought** the new covenant.
2. The new covenant is “**better**” than the old covenant.
   a. We have a better **High Priest**.
   b. It is in our **hearts** and **empowered** by Him.
   c. It is internal **motivation** vs. external **rules**.
   d. It is **reality** vs. a **shadow**.
   e. It is a **personal** covenant.
   f. It is **eternal** vs. **temporary**.
   g. It is a **heavenly** “place” vs. an **earthy** “place”.

D. “I go to prepare a place for you.”

"No eye has seen, no ear has heard, no mind has conceived what God has prepared for those who love Him"

*I Corinthians 2:9*
THOUGHTS AT THE END OF THE STUDY

1. We have been studying in-depth the “Inconceivable” things that God is preparing for us. What was the most life changing truth that you studied?

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2. What about your eternal Home do you most look forward to after studying about it?

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3. How has your concept of God changed and grown?

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4. As we studied the Old Testament account of the our need for a Savior and what He provided, what new understanding of yourself did you take away from this study?

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5. What actions do you resolve to take in your life as a result of this study?

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