

The Parable of the Bedouin Tent

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Many times, when the Lord wants to bless you, He'll give you a picture. You may not feel like it right now, but your best days are just ahead. Strangely, the picture of the Bedouin tent is proof of this.

Be encouraged and don't lose hope... this "tent" is very special and symbolic.

Be blessed!

Pastor Doug Schneider

The only thing that's really changed is HOW we do what we do.

Scriptures:

- Isaiah 54:1-3
- Galatians 4:27-28

Main Points:

1. **Barrenness** is a reality for a lot of people today.
 - Isaiah 54:1 – Feeling of shame.
2. Get ready to **Enlarge** your place.
 - Isaiah 54:2-3 – More kids.
3. **Bedouin Tent** is a Picture of Abraham and Sarah
 - Isaiah 54:2 – Tent was from that era.

Sunday, September 6th is Rosh Hashanah. A New Year... a Fresh Start!!

Starter Questions:

- What did you hear?
 - What point in this message was most impactful for you?
- What do you think?
 - How did this message challenge, change or affirm your thinking?
- What will you do?
 - How will you put into practice what you've learned today?

Digging Deeper:

Revelation

- Why is it important to remember that “God is in the details”?
- What does it mean to be the “children of promise”?
- Why does God say Israel is “barren”?

*Your present situation may seem impossible – lack and barren
– and you have is A PROMISE FROM GOD.*

Interpretation

- How has “nothing changed” during this season we are in when we think “everything has changed”?
- How does God “cultivate” new things in your life?
- How does “barrenness” come and how does God change “barrenness into fruitfulness”?

Application

- Have you changed the “how” of how you do things?
- What has God “reset” in your life, in order to “restore” some things in your life?
- What is God trying to “cultivate” in your life?
- Are you ready to enlarge your space?
- Are you “singing” your way out of “barrenness”?

*The Bedouin Tent is the place where you stay when you have
nothing, but God is preparing to enlarge your territory.*

Extra Notes: Nothing Has Changed

Embassy Mission Statement: Transforming People & Society

Embassy Mission Statement: Reaching the lost and establishing a Kingdom culture.

Embassy Core Values

1. Loving & Caring
2. Balanced
3. Pursuing Excellence
4. Transgenerational
5. Multi-Ethnic
6. Equipping & Training
7. Enthusiastic