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   - To ***sharpen*** them for the ***battles*** ahead.
   - The first ***enemy*** outside of Egypt.
   - ***Descended*** from ***Esau***, basically ***cousins***.
   - The first ***mention*** of Joshua.
   - The people would have to ***physically*** fight.
   - His real name was ***Hoshea***.
   - From '***salvation'*** to ***'Yahweh is salvation.'***
   - Moses would ***spiritually*** ***intercede*** to God.
   - It shows ***dependence***.
   - ***Prop*** up the ***mediator***!
   - God is my ***rallying*** point.
2. **A family *reunion***
   - Zipporah has been ***missing*** since Exodus 4.
   - Jethro is an ***intriguing*** figure.
   - Some see this as a ***conversion***.
   - Was Moses ***evangelizing*** Jethro?
   - ***Praising*** is always better than ***complaining***.
   - Part of the ***covenant*** ***body*** of Israel?
3. ***Sharing*** **the leadership *burden***
   - Life isn't always ***tumultuous***, not always ***warfare***.
   - Not only the ***deliverer***, ***prophet***, & ***mediator***, but also the ***judge*** over God's people.
   - Those who can share ***learned*** ***wisdom***.
   - Why such ***concern***? ***Shepherding*** is hard work!
   - How do you ***react*** when someone gives advice?

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