

I. Seasons for Purging (6)

“For the people of Israel walked forty years in the wilderness, until all the nation, the men of war who came out of Egypt, perished, because they did not obey the voice of the LORD; the LORD swore to them that he would not let them see the land that the LORD had sworn to their fathers to give to us, a land flowing with milk and honey.”

- **God will patiently process us out of our lack of trust in Him/obedience to Him {40 years for Israel}**
- **God’s discipline of us is indicative of His love for us: through obedience we encounter His place for us**
- **God’s place for us provides something greater for us: manna got them by, but milk & honey was their destiny**

II. Seasons for Consecrating (7-9)

“7 So it was their children, whom he raised up in their place, that Joshua circumcised. For they were uncircumcised, because they had not been circumcised on the way. 8 When the circumcising of the whole nation was finished, they remained in their places in the camp until they were healed. 9 And the LORD said to Joshua, “Today I have rolled away the reproach of Egypt from you.” And so the name of that place is called Gilgal to this day.”

- **If we won’t God has someone else who will - “...it was their children, whom He raised up in their place...”**
- **Consecration involves a cutting away, a remaining where you are, and a necessary healing/strengthening**
- **New beginnings are often connected to the completion of consecration seasons - reproach was rolled away**

III. Seasons for Remembering (10)

“While the people of Israel were encamped at Gilgal, they kept the Passover on the fourteenth day of the month in the evening on the plains of Jericho.”

- **Intentionally remember your redemption, and all else that God accomplishes for you**
- **Intentionally celebrate what God has done for you - not a casual glance, but a committed gratitude**
- **Romans 8:5-6 - “Those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit set their minds on the things of the Spirit. To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace.”**

IV. Seasons for Receiving (11-12)

“And the day after the Passover, on that very day, they ate of the produce of the land, unleavened cakes and parched grain. And the manna ceased the day after they ate of the produce of the land. And there was no longer manna for the people of Israel, but they ate of the fruit of the land of Canaan that year.”

- **God is a rewarder of those who diligently seek Him. Eagerly receive all that He offers you.**
- **The manna of “getting by” is not perpetually consistent with the offer of “abundant life”.**
- **Intentionally live for the harvest of Canaan: work the ground, sow the seed, tend to the process, reap the fruit**

**New Bridge Church is being called to a joyful, powerful season of Consecrating & Remembering.
The harvest is coming soon thereafter.**