

**Observations:**

The focus of Zechariah's prophecy is the role of his son, John in the story of the Bible.

And just like Moses told the Pharaoh, "Let my people go from here, so that they can leave Egypt and worship God properly," So the Messiah is coming to take a people out of this world to worship Him!

God's promise to Abraham is that in Him all the nations of the earth would be blessed.

**Personal Reflection:**

1. Read Psalm 110 and Galatians 5. What has Jesus set us free from? What has Jesus set us free to do?
2. Pastor Mike said, "Forgiveness of personal sins is the victory that Jesus offers." Have you received this gift of forgiveness? Now pay it forward. Is there someone in your life that you need to forgive? Go talk to them.
3. Read John 3:30. How are you going about the business of making Jesus increase in your spheres of influence?

**Session 4**

1. Many things in the Old Testament are types or shadows of Christ and His Church? As Isaac taught this session, can you identify any of the events associated with Israel and the Wilderness wanderings with that of Christ and His Church? (ex: Moses delivering the Israelites from physical bondage; Jesus delivering us from spiritual bondage).
2. As God is building the nation of Israel, what are the four elements of nation building that Isaac mentions?
3. As you think about the context of giving the law in Exodus 20, who was the law given to and why? (see Ex. 20:2)
4. How might our understanding of to whom the Law was given and why inform our understanding of the place of the Law in a Christian's life? What was the purpose of the tabernacle, the laws and the rules in the life of the people of Israel? (see 1 Peter 2:9-12)
5. How does the cycle of Israel's obedience and disobedience in the wilderness both encourage and discourage you? (see 1 Cor. 10:1-22)

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