

# JOSHUA

BATTLES FOUGHT

8:30-35

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## **JOSHUA 8:30-32**

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**32 AND THERE, IN THE PRESENCE OF THE PEOPLE OF ISRAEL, HE WROTE ON THE STONES A COPY OF THE LAW OF MOSES, WHICH HE HAD WRITTEN.**



## **JOSHUA 8:30-31A**

**33 AND ALL ISRAEL, SOJOURNER AS WELL AS NATIVE BORN, WITH THEIR ELDERS AND OFFICERS AND THEIR JUDGES, STOOD ON OPPOSITE SIDES OF THE ARK BEFORE THE LEVITICAL PRIESTS WHO CARRIED THE ARK OF THE COVENANT OF THE LORD, HALF OF THEM IN FRONT OF MOUNT GERIZIM AND HALF OF THEM IN FRONT OF MOUNT EBAL, JUST AS MOSES THE SERVANT OF THE LORD HAD COMMANDED AT THE FIRST, TO BLESS THE PEOPLE OF ISRAEL. 34 AND AFTERWARD HE READ ALL THE WORDS OF THE LAW, THE BLESSING AND THE CURSE, ACCORDING TO ALL THAT IS WRITTEN IN THE BOOK OF THE LAW. 35 THERE WAS NOT A WORD OF ALL THAT MOSES COMMANDED THAT JOSHUA DID NOT READ BEFORE ALL THE ASSEMBLY OF ISRAEL, AND THE WOMEN, AND THE LITTLE ONES, AND THE SOJOURNERS WHO LIVED AMONG THEM.**



# God Gathers His People

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**Let's go to the *MAP*!**





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**JOSHUA 8:31B**

**AND THEY OFFERED ON IT BURNT OFFERINGS TO THE LORD  
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# God Gathers His People For Worship

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**What does this mean  
for us?**





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BOTH AT THE CUSP OF A NEW  
SEASON



**We Find Ourselves at a Place  
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# **We Find Ourselves at a Place of Choosing**

**WILL YOU PRIORITIZE WORSHIP?**



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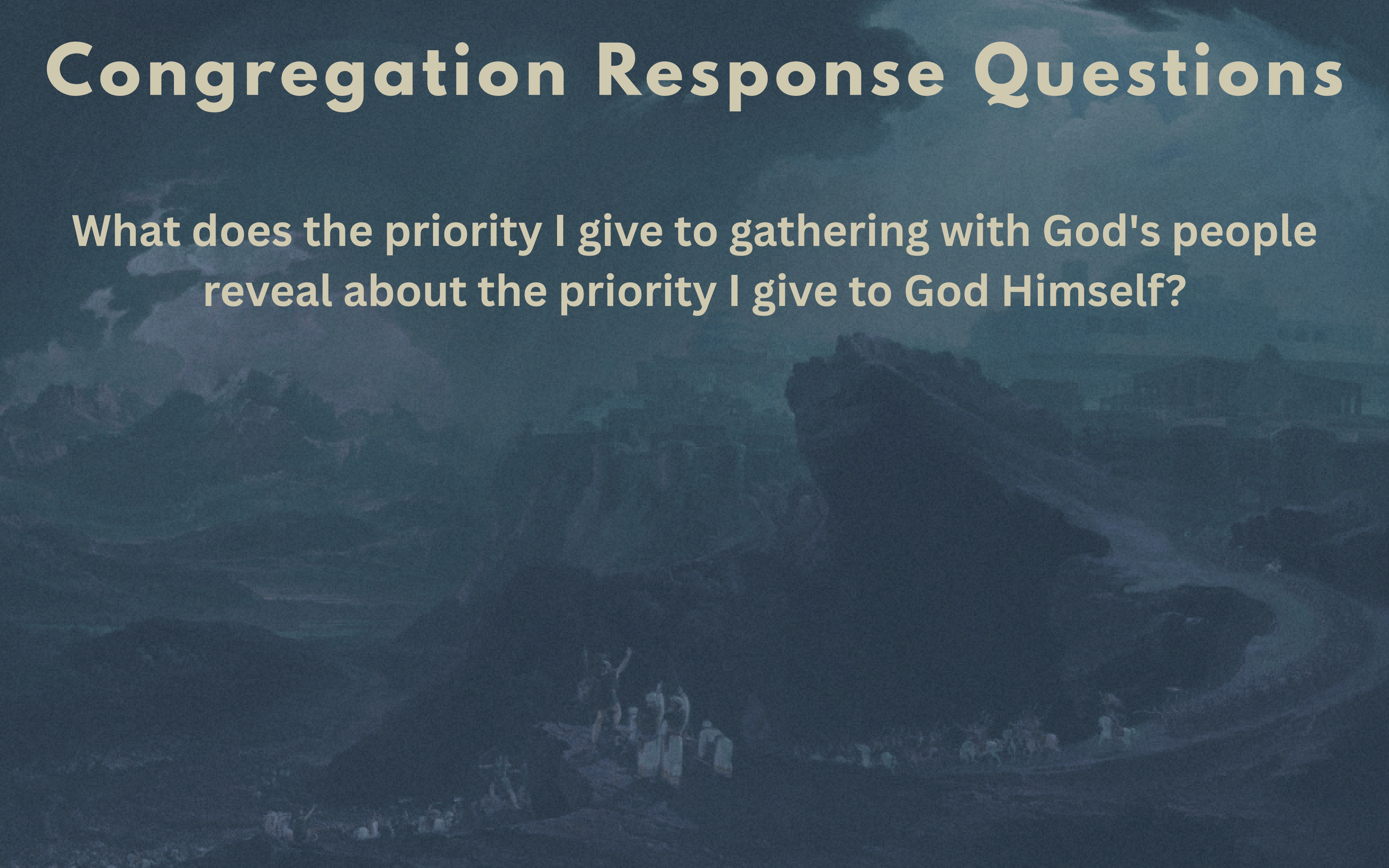
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How should God's promise, Christ's sacrifice, and God's Word change the way I view gathering with the church?