

THE ROAD TO RESTORATION

I Samuel 6:13-7:17

I. A _____ People

They sent therefore and gathered all the lords of the Philistines and said, "Send away the ark of the God of Israel, and let it return to its own place, so that it will not kill us and our people." For there was a deadly confusion throughout the city; the hand of God was very heavy there. ¹²And the men who did not die were smitten with tumors and the cry of the city went up to heaven. (I Samuel 5:11-12)

The fourth angel poured out his bowl upon the sun, and it was given to it to scorch men with fire. Men were scorched with fierce heat; and they blasphemed the name of God who has the power over these plagues, and they did not repent so as to give Him glory. Revelation 16:8-9

For this is contained in Scripture: "BEHOLD, I LAY IN ZION A CHOICE STONE, A PRECIOUS CORNER stone, AND HE WHO BELIEVES IN HIM WILL NOT BE DISAPPOINTED." ⁷This precious value, then, is for you who believe; but for those who disbelieve, "THE STONE WHICH THE BUILDERS REJECTED, THIS BECAME THE VERY CORNER stone," and, "A STONE OF STUMBLING AND A ROCK OF OFFENSE"; for they stumble because they are disobedient to the word, and to this doom they were also appointed. 1 Peter 2:6-8

II. A _____ People (Ch. 6:19-20)

Bugged? Remember, it's not GOD who is on TRIAL

When I saw Him, I fell at His feet like a dead man. And He placed His right hand on me, saying, "Do not be afraid; I am the first and the last, Revelation 1:17

The Ark Exodus 25:10-22

Ark: a wooden box, a chest (Vine's Expository Dictionary)

God's Law was to be covered by _____ (v.17)

God will meet us at the _____ (vs.21-22A)

"...but they shall not go in to see the holy objects even for a moment, or they will die..." Numbers 4:20

"...for the Law brings about wrath..." Romans 4:15

III. A _____ People

1. _____ of a problem (vs.1-2)

Lamented- nahah: a prim. root, to wail, lament

Recognition makes us _____ to _____ (v.3)

Thus the word of Samuel came to all Israel 1 Samuel 4:1

2. _____ with ALL of my heart

3. _____ **Foreign God's**

Flee immorality. Every other sin that a man commits is outside the body, but the immoral man sins against his own body. ¹⁹Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit who is in you, whom you have from God, and that you are not your own? 1 Corinthians 6:18-19

4. _____ **Him alone**

If we confess our sins, He is faithful and righteous to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. ¹⁰If we say that we have not sinned, we make Him a liar and His word is not in us. 1 John 1:9-10

Confess- homologeo- of one mind, to speak the same

(v.5) Why Meet at Mizpah?

Mizpah- tsapah; to look out or about, spy, keep watch, watching

"Be of sober spirit, be on the alert. Your adversary, the devil, prowls around like a roaring lion, seeking someone to devour." 1 Peter 5:8 (NASB)

Now in Harmony with God the _____ doesn't like it (v.7)

Now I realize I can't _____ without him (v.8)

Victory begins (v.9) and ends (v.11) with _____

Beth- Kar - place of a lamb

"And I beheld, and, lo, in the midst ...stood a Lamb as it had been slain", Revelation 5:6 (KJV)