# MARCH 10 Read Joshua 18–20

# **CHAPTER 18**

AND the whole congregation of the children of Israel assembled together at Shiloh, and set up the tabernacle of the congregation there. And the land was subdued before them.

- 2. And there remained among the children of Israel seven tribes, which had not yet received their inheritance.
- 3 And Joshua said unto the children of Israel, How long *are* ye slack to go to possess the land, which the LORD God of your fathers hath given you?
- 4 Give out from among you three men for *each* tribe: and I will send them, and they shall rise, and go through the land, and describe it according to the inheritance of them; and they shall come *again* to me.
- 5 And they shall divide it into seven parts: Judah shall abide in their coast on the south, and the house of Joseph shall abide in their coasts on the north.
  - 6 Ye shall therefore describe the

land *into* seven parts, and bring *the description* hither to me, that I may cast lots for you here before the LORD our God.

- 7 But the Levites have no part among you; for the priesthood of the LORD *is* their inheritance: and Gad, and Reuben, and half the tribe of Manasseh, have received their inheritance beyond Jordan on the east, which Moses the servant of the LORD gave them.
- 8 ¶ And the men arose, and went away: and Joshua charged them that went to describe the land, saying, Go and walk through the land, and describe it, and come again to me, that I may here cast lots for you before the LORD in Shiloh.
- 9 And the men went and passed through the land, and described it by cities into seven parts in a book, and came *again* to Joshua to the host at Shiloh.
- 10 ¶ And Joshua cast lots for them in Shiloh before the LORD: and there Joshua divided the land unto the children of Israel according to their divisions.

- 11 ¶ And the lot of the tribe of the children of Benjamin came up according to their families: and the coast of their lot came forth between the children of Judah and the children of Joseph.
- 12 And their border on the north side was from Jordan; and the border went up to the side of Jericho on the north side, and went up through the mountains westward; and the goings out thereof were at the wilderness of Bethaven.
- 13 And the border went over from thence toward Luz, to the side of Luz, which *is* Bethel, southward; and the border descended to Atarothadar, near the hill that *lieth* on the south side of the nether Bethhoron.
- thence, and compassed the corner of the sea southward, from the hill that *lieth* before Bethhoron southward; and the goings out thereof were at Kirjathbaal, which *is* Kirjathjearim, a city of the children of Judah: this *was* the west quarter.
- 15 And the south quarter was from the end of Kirjathjearim, and the border went out on the west, and went out to the well of waters of Nephtoah:
  - 16 And the border came down to

- the end of the mountain that *lieth* before the valley of the son of Hinnom, *and* which *is* in the valley of the giants on the north, and descended to the valley of Hinnom, to the side of Jebusi on the south, and descended to Enrogel,
- 17 And was drawn from the north, and went forth to Enshemesh, and went forth toward Geliloth, which *is* over against the going up of Adummim, and descended to the stone of Bohan the son of Reuben,
- 18 And passed along toward the side over against Arabah northward, and went down unto Arabah:
- 19 And the border passed along to the side of Bethhoglah northward: and the outgoings of the border were at the north bay of the salt sea at the south end of Jordan: this *was* the south coast.
- 20 And Jordan was the border of it on the east side. This *was* the inheritance of the children of Benjamin, by the coasts thereof round about, according to their families.
- 21 Now the cities of the tribe of the children of Benjamin according to their families were Jericho, and Bethhoglah, and the valley of Keziz,
- 22 And Betharabah, and Zemaraim, and Bethel,

- 23 And Avim, and Parah, and Ophrah,
- 24 And Chepharhaammonai, and Ophni, and Gaba; twelve cities with their villages:
- 25 Gibeon, and Ramah, and Beeroth.
- 26 And Mizpeh, and Chephirah, and Mozah,
- 27 And Rekem, and Irpeel, and Taralah,
- 28 And Zelah, Eleph, and Jebusi, which *is* Jerusalem, Gibeath, *and* Kirjath; fourteen cities with their villages. This *is* the inheritance of the children of Benjamin according to their families.

# **CHAPTER 19**

AND the second lot came forth to Simeon, *even* for the tribe of the children of Simeon according to their families: and their inheritance was within the inheritance of the children of Judah.

- 2 And they had in their inheritance Beersheba, or Sheba, and Moladah,
- 3 And Hazarshual, and Balah, and Azem,
- 4 And Eltolad, and Bethul, and Hormah,
- 5 And Ziklag, and Bethmar-caboth, and Hazarsusah,

- 6 And Bethlebaoth, and Sharuhen; thirteen cities and their villages:
- 7 Ain, Remmon, and Ether, and Ashan; four cities and their villages:
- 8 And all the villages that were round about these cities to Baalathbeer, Ramath of the south. This *is* the inheritance of the tribe of the children of Simeon according to their families.
- 9 Out of the portion of the children of Judah *was* the inheritance of the children of Simeon: for the part of the children of Judah was too much for them: therefore the children of Simeon had their inheritance within the inheritance of them.
- 10 ¶ And the third lot came up for the children of Zebulun according to their families: and the border of their inheritance was unto Sarid:
- 11 And their border went up toward the sea, and Maralah, and reached to Dabbasheth, and reached to the river that *is* before Jokneam;
- 12 And turned from Sarid eastward toward the sunrising unto the border of Chislothtabor, and then goeth out to Daberath, and goeth up to Japhia,

- 13 And from thence passeth on along on the east to Gittahhepher, to Ittahkazin, and goeth out to Remmonmethoar to Neah;
- 14 And the border compasseth it on the north side to Hannathon: and the outgoings thereof are in the valley of Jiphthahel:
- 15 And Kattath, and Nahallal, and Shimron, and Idalah, and Bethlehem: twelve cities with their villages.
- 16 This *is* the inheritance of the children of Zebulun according to their families, these cities with their villages.
- 17 ¶ *And* the fourth lot came out to Issachar, for the children of Issachar according to their families.
- 18 And their border was toward Jezreel, and Chesulloth, and Shunem,
- 19 And Hapharaim, and Shion, and Anaharath,
- 20 And Rabbith, and Kishion, and Abez,
- 21 And Remeth, and Engannim, and Enhaddah, and Bethpazzez;
- 22 And the coast reacheth to Tabor, and Shahazimah, and Bethshemesh; and the outgoings of their border were at Jordan: sixteen cities with their villages.
  - 23 This is the inheritance of the

- tribe of the children of Issachar according to their families, the cities and their villages.
- 24 ¶ And the fifth lot came out for the tribe of the children of Asher according to their families.
- 25 And their border was Helkath, and Hali, and Beten, and Achshaph,
- 26 And Alammelech, and Amad, and Misheal; and reacheth to Carmel westward, and to Shihorlibnath;
- 27 And turneth toward the sunrising to Bethdagon, and reacheth to Zebulun, and to the valley of Jiphthahel toward the north side of Bethemek, and Neiel, and goeth out to Cabul on the left hand,
- 28 And Hebron, and Rehob, and Hammon, and Kanah, *even* unto great Zidon;
- 29 And *then* the coast turneth to Ramah, and to the strong city Tyre; and the coast turneth to Hosah; and the outgoings thereof are at the sea from the coast to Achzib:
- 30 Ummah also, and Aphek, and Rehob: twenty and two cities with their villages.
- 31 This *is* the inheritance of the tribe of the children of Asher according to their families, these cities with their villages.

- 32 ¶ The sixth lot came out to the children of Naphtali, *even* for the children of Naphtali according to their families.
- 33 And their coast was from Heleph, from Allon to Zaanannim, and Adami, Nekeb, and Jabneel, unto Lakum; and the outgoings thereof were at Jordan:
- 34 And *then* the coast turneth westward to Aznothtabor, and goeth out from thence to Hukkok, and reacheth to Zebulun on the south side, and reacheth to Asher on the west side, and to Judah upon Jordan toward the sunrising.
- 35 And the fenced cities *are* Ziddim, Zer, and Hammath, Rakkath, and Chinnereth,
- 36 And Adamah, and Ramah, and Hazor,
- 37 And Kedesh, and Edrei, and Enhazor,
- 38 And Iron, and Migdalel, Horem, and Bethanath, and Bethshemesh; nineteen cities with their villages.
- 39 This *is* the inheritance of the tribe of the children of Naphtali according to their families, the cities and their villages.
- 40 ¶ *And* the seventh lot came out for the tribe of the children of Dan according to their families.

- 41 And the coast of their inheritance was Zorah, and Eshtaol, and Irshemesh,
- 42 And Shaalabbin, and Ajalon, and Jethlah,
- 43 And Elon, and Thimnathah, and Ekron,
- 44 And Eltekeh, and Gibbethon, and Baalath,
- 45 And Jehud, and Beneberak, and Gathrimmon,
- 46 And Mejarkon, and Rakkon, with the border before Japho.
- 47 And the coast of the children of Dan went out *too little* for them: therefore the children of Dan went up to fight against Leshem, and took it, and smote it with the edge of the sword, and possessed it, and dwelt therein, and called Leshem, Dan, after the name of Dan their father.
- 48 This *is* the inheritance of the tribe of the children of Dan according to their families, these cities with their villages.
- 49 ¶ When they had made an end of dividing the land for inheritance by their coasts, the children of Israel gave an inheritance to Joshua the son of Nun among them:
- 50 According to the word of the LORD they gave him the city which

he asked, *even* Timnathserah in mount Ephraim: and he built the city, and dwelt therein.

51 These *are* the inheritances, which Eleazar the priest, and Joshua the son of Nun, and the heads of the fathers of the tribes of the children of Israel, divided for an inheritance by lot in Shiloh before the LORD, at the door of the tabernacle of the congregation. So they made an end of dividing the country.

# **CHAPTER 20**

THE LORD also spake unto Joshua, saying,

- 2 Speak to the children of Israel, saying, Appoint out for you cities of refuge, whereof I spake unto you by the hand of Moses:
- 3 That the slayer that killeth *any* person unawares *and* unwittingly may flee thither: and they shall be your refuge from the avenger of blood.
- 4 And when he that doth flee unto one of those cities shall stand at the entering of the gate of the city, and shall declare his cause in the ears of the elders of that city, they shall take him into the city unto them, and give him a place, that he may dwell among them.
  - 5 And if the avenger of blood

pursue after him, then they shall not deliver the slayer up into his hand; because he smote his neighbour unwittingly, and hated him not beforetime.

- 6 And he shall dwell in that city, until he stand before the congregation for judgment, and until the death of the high priest that shall be in those days: then shall the slayer return, and come unto his own city, and unto his own house, unto the city from whence he fled.
- 7 ¶ And they appointed Kedesh in Galilee in mount Naphtali, and Shechem in mount Ephraim, and Kirjatharba, which *is* Hebron, in the mountain of Judah.
- 8 And on the other side Jordan by Jericho eastward, they assigned Bezer in the wilderness upon the plain out of the tribe of Reuben, and Ramoth in Gilead out of the tribe of Gad, and Golan in Bashan out of the tribe of Manasseh.
- 9 These were the cities appointed for all the children of Israel, and for the stranger that sojourneth among them, that whosoever killeth *any* person at unawares might flee thither, and not die by the hand of the avenger of blood, until he stood before the congregation.

# **DEVOTIONAL COMMENTS**

Chapters 18 and 19 cover the portion of the land given to the other tribes. Seven tribes failed to claim their possession, evidently because of a lack of faith and courage. The Tabernacle is erected at Shiloh; Shiloh being the focal point of the twelve tribes of Israel until the destruction of that city in the capture of the Ark of the Covenant by the Philistines.

Chapter 20 again refers to the establishing of the cities of refuge. The provision of these cities was according to the law of Deuteronomy 19:1-13. You might also want to refer back to Numbers 35:1-34 regarding the cities of refuge. You will recall, and it is repeated in today's reading (verses 3 and 5), that "the avenger of blood" was the deceased man's nearest relative, upon whom the responsibility fell of avenging his death. The gate of the city (verse 4) was the place where the council of elders convened and where town business was normally transacted. It was not merely an entrance in the city wall, but an enclosed building built into the wall with several chambers and several stories. As the person who had accidentally killed someone came into the city, he must declare his cause to the elders of the city. They would then take him into the city and give him a place where he would dwell among them until the time of judgment. At that time, if he was cleared of murder, he could remain until the death of the high priest and was then allowed to return to his own house in the city from whence he had fled. The cities of refuge are specified in verses 7-9.

# PROVERB FOR TODAY

"The memory of the just is blessed: but the name of the wicked shall rot" (Proverbs 10:7).

# TREASURE PATH TO SOUL WINNING

**ASSIGNMENT 10:** For today's memory verses, follow instructions on page 10.

# **HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO**

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# **HYMN FOR TODAY**

SHEPHERD OF EAGER YOUTH by Clement of Alexandria, c. 170-c. 220 Translated by Henry Martyn Dexter, 1821-1890 It is vitally important that our children be led to a personal relationship with Christ and instructed in His word when they are young. What truth there is in these familiar statements: "To save a child is to save a life," or "Give me a child till he/she is seven and I care not who gets him after that." D.L. Moody, the noted evangelist, once said: "If I could relive my life, I would devote my entire ministry to reaching children for God."

Christian nurturing of our children requires consistent discipline. Webster defines discipline as "training which corrects, strengthens, and perfects." Discipline goes far beyond merely being punitive. Discipline and training have done their job only when they result in a changed character and the desire to live with self-control. Although there may be times when our youth may rebel and react against their early Christian training, they can never get completely away from it (Proverbs 22:6).

"Shepherd of Eager Youth" is the oldest Christian hymn of which the authorship is known. Clement of Alexandria wrote this text in the Greek language sometime between A.D. 202 and the time of his death in A.D. 220. The title in the Greek language could literally be translated "Tamer of Steeds Unbridled." It was evidently used as a hymn of Christian instruction for new young converts from heathenism.

Shepherd of eager youth, guiding in love and truth thru devious ways— Christ, our triumphant King, we come Thy name to sing;

hither Thy children bring tributes of praise.

Thou art our Holy Lord, the all-subduing Word, healer of strife; Thou didst Thyself abase that from sin's deep disgrace Thou mightest save our race and give us life.

Ever be near our side, our shepherd and our guide, our staff and song; Jesus, Thou Christ of God, by Thy enduring word lead us where Thou hast trod, make our faith strong.

# ON THIS DATE IN HISTORY 1778 DANIEL BOONE WAS CAPTURED BY THE INDIANS.

1862 THE DATE OF THE FIRST UNITED STATES

PAPER MONEY.

## 1864

# GENERAL GRANT WAS MADE COMMANDER OF THE UNION ARMY.

# 1898

# GEORGE MUELLER DIED.

George Mueller was founder of a famous orphanage. It is said that he fed 1,677 children strictly by faith. There was no denominational support—strictly prayer to God and faith in God. It has been estimated that George Mueller prayed down over seven million dollars to feed these nearly 1,700 children. The epitaph on his grave simply says, "George Mueller fell asleep."

George Mueller was filled with the Holy Spirit, so the story goes, when he saw Christians on their knees in prayer for the first time. He was so impressed with this position of prayer that he himself went to his knees and became the powerful man of prayer that he was.

# 1944 IRVIN S. COBB DIED.

# 1876

# THE FIRST TELEPHONE CALL WAS MADE.

Call a friend today and tell him of your love. Use the telephone for God today.

# 1907 THE BIRTHDAY OF ROY W. HARRIS, MY FATHER.

My dad was one of twelve children born to Mr. and Mrs. John Harris in the backwoods of Tennessee. He attended a one-room school house, with his older brother, my Uncle Will, as his teacher. He and his best friend ran away from home several times, the last of which brought them north to Ohio, where my dad met my mother and married her in 1929. My mother

and father had a very happy home life and reared five of us children; they were married for 46 years, until his death in 1975. How I thank God for my dad and how I miss him! I had the great joy of seeing my dad and mom both receive the Lord Jesus Christ as their own personal Saviour in 1973, and I look forward to seeing him when I get to Heaven! He was a prince among men!

# ON THIS DATE IN AFRICAN-AMERICAN HISTORY

### 1863

TWO INFANTY REGIMENTS, FIRST AND SEC-OND SOUTH CAROLINA VOLUNTEERS, CAP-TURED AND OCCUPIED JACKSONVILLE, FLA., causing panc along Southern seaboard.

# 1913

**DEATH OF HARRIET TUBMAN,** Auburn, New York.

# 1969

JAMES EARL RAY PLEADED GUILTY IN A MEMPHIS COURT to charges of Killing Martin Luther King Jr. He was sentenced to ninety-nine years in prison. The House Select Committee on Assassinations said later that Ray fired the shot that killed King but that he was probably one element in a larger conspiracy.

### 1972

### **THROUGH THE 12TH**

THREE THOUSAND DELEGATES AND FIVE THOUSAND OBSERVERS ATTENDED THE FIRST BLACK POLITICAL CONVENTION in Gary, Indiana. The NAACP and other groups withdrew from the convention after the adoption of resolutions critical of busing and the state of Israel.

# THE STORY OF THE PSALMS Psalm 21

**AUTHOR:** David.

# THE STORY BEHIND THE PSALM:

The story is the same as Psalm 20.

# THE WAY IT WAS USED BY GOD'S PEOPLE:

The use is the same as Psalm 20. There is a wonderful comforting statement in verse 3. Notice the words, "for Thou preventest him with the blessings of goodness." The word "prevent" had a different meaning in David's time. It meant "to go before and prepare the way." Before the Jew would enter battle, testing or adversity, he would remind himself by reading Psalm 21 that God was before him in battle.

Dr. Jack Hyles wrote these words of commentary on Psalm 21 many years ago while aboard a DC-10 jet flying from Chicago to San Francisco. His daughter, Linda, was in the hospital. She had been in labor and travail for 24 hours. He had called the hospital before boarding the plane. The flight would last for four hours. He endured the flight, not knowing how it was with her. She was undergoing testing and, in some sense, her father was in a battle also. What a comfort to know that the Lord goes before us in these battles, in times of testing, and prepares the way! Praise His name!

# The Treasure Path to Soul Winning

# MEMORY VERSE TOPIC FOR THE NEXT SEVEN DAYS:

# **GOD'S SUPREME SACRIFICE**

(Assignment 10)

Please recite all three components of each of these five verses aloud, five times each morning, and five times each evening, for seven days. The three components of each verse are: Subject, Scripture Reference, and Scripture Text. (For more details, see "The Treasure Path to Soul Winning" link back on the DailyKJV.com page.)

DailyKJV.com page.)

His Son's death on the cross became our:

Sin-bearer.
( ) 1 Peter 2:24

Who his own self bare our sins in his own body on the tree, that we, being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness: by whose stripes ye were healed.

# Substitute.

( ) 1 Peter 3:18

For Christ also hath once suffered for sins, the just for the unjust, that he might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh, but quickened by the Spirit:

# Sacrifice.

( ) Isaiah 53:5 (Isa. 53:6, 10)

But he was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon him; and with his stripes we are healed.

# Sin-offering.

( ) 2 Corinthians 5:21

For he hath made him to be sin for us, who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in him.

# Redeemer.

( ) Galatians 3:13

Christ hath redeemed us from the curse of the law, being made a curse for us: for it is written, Cursed is everyone that hangeth on a tree: