

Two Mountains

November 17, 2019
Joshua 8:30-35

Pastor Mark Turner
Oakbrook Community Church (PCA)

I. A Covenant Renewal Ceremony

- Place called Shechem, some 20 miles north of Ai - whole nation present
- Mt. Ebal - altar on which law is written - curses
 - smoking altar - reminds us of our need for atonement
 - people respond w/ 'Amen', so be it
- Mt. Gerizim - blessings
 - Gerizim - green & fertile; Ebal - rock and barren
- Picture points us to Mt. Calvary where Christ was perfect sacrifice!
 - God is showing His people HOW to live in the land (trust & obey)
 - God will lead the way & fight the battles
 - As God's people be careful to obey God's Word - consider Achan

II. New Covenant Lessons

- As Israel wiped out sinful Jericho & Ai, we are to put to death worldly ways
Romans 6:6-7; Galatians 5:16-24
- Remember God purchased us & equips us to serve Him
Remember your identity in Christ: Colossians 3:1-10
- God has delivered us from bondage (Egypt) and has led us into His inheritance (Jordan) so remember who you are:
Romans 6:11-14
- Because of Christ: you are dead to sin and now live for His glory:
Romans 8:1-13

III. Jesus is our Prophet, Priest & King

- **Prophet**
 - If I am my own prophet I listen to lies and half-truths
 - If I am in Christ, I listen to the Gospel (Word), it defines me!
- **Priest**
 - If I am my own priest, I seek my own atonement by striving, trying harder, being more religious...
 - If in Christ, He is my Great High Priest (Heb 1:3). He has made the perfect sacrifice on my behalf, I can rest in Christ!
- **King**
 - If I am my own king, I think I can rule my life better than Jesus and His Word. My life is calibrated by my own agenda.
 - If I am in Christ, Jesus is my King and I can rest in His gracious rule. I delight in His Word and glorifying Him in all things! He has conquered all mine & His enemies!

Two Mountains

November 17, 2019
Joshua 8:30-35

Pastor Mark Turner
Oakbrook Community Church (PCA)

I. A Covenant Renewal Ceremony

- Place called Shechem, some 20 miles north of Ai - whole nation present
- Mt. Ebal - altar on which law is written - curses
 - smoking altar - reminds us of our need for atonement
 - people respond w/ 'Amen', so be it
- Mt. Gerizim - blessings
 - Gerizim - green & fertile; Ebal - rock and barren
- Picture points us to Mt. Calvary where Christ was perfect sacrifice!
 - God is showing His people HOW to live in the land (trust & obey)
 - God will lead the way & fight the battles
 - As God's people be careful to obey God's Word - consider Achan

II. New Covenant Lessons

- As Israel wiped out sinful Jericho & Ai, we are to put to death worldly ways
Romans 6:6-7; Galatians 5:16-24
- Remember God purchased us & equips us to serve Him
Remember your identity in Christ: Colossians 3:1-10
- God has delivered us from bondage (Egypt) and has led us into His inheritance (Jordan) so remember who you are:
Romans 6:11-14
- Because of Christ: you are dead to sin and now live for His glory:
Romans 8:1-13

III. Jesus is our Prophet, Priest & King

- **Prophet**
 - If I am my own prophet I listen to lies and half-truths
 - If I am in Christ, I listen to the Gospel (Word), it defines me!
- **Priest**
 - If I am my own priest, I seek my own atonement by striving, trying harder, being more religious...
 - If in Christ, He is my Great High Priest (Heb 1:3). He has made the perfect sacrifice on my behalf, I can rest in Christ!
- **King**
 - If I am my own king, I think I can rule my life better than Jesus and His Word. My life is calibrated by my own agenda.
 - If I am in Christ, Jesus is my King and I can rest in His gracious rule. I delight in His Word and glorifying Him in all things! He has conquered all mine & His enemies!