

Series Topical

Passage Joshua 5:13-15

Title The Rewards of Sanctification (Part 3) **Speaker:** Pastor David Menard 10/15/2017

• **Discussion Starter:** Joshua was able to experience an intimate relationship with the LORD Jesus and he was used mightily because he set himself apart and was obedient to the word of God. Have you experienced a time in your life where you have felt the intimate closeness and presence of the LORD Jesus in a way that was far beyond just an emotional or logical experience? If so, explain how, when and the effect it has had on your life.

The Reward of Sanctification: Intimacy with Jesus (Joshua 5:13-15; Revelation 22:8-9)

- What were some of the things the Israelites did to prepare themselves to receive intimacy with God? What are we as Christians today called to do to prepare ourselves to receive this intimacy with Christ?
- God wants to be known by us and He has chosen to reveal Himself in three general ways. What are the
 three general ways God has chosen to reveal Himself to us? How had God chosen to reveal Himself to
 Joshua?
- What lessons can we learn in how Joshua responds to his encounter with the Commander of the army of the LORD? How does Revelation 22:8-9 let us know that this is Jesus and not an angel of the LORD?

The Purpose of Our Sanctification: Jesus' Lordship in Our Lives (Joshua 5:13-15; Proverbs 21:31)

- How is our success in life correlated to the Lordship of Jesus in our lives?
- What important truth does Jesus reveal to Joshua in verse 14 as He responds to Joshua's question: "Are you for us or for our adversaries"? How does this truth apply to us today as modern day Christians?
- Why do you think the Commander of the army of the LORD asked Joshua to take off his sandals? How does this act of obedience relate to intimacy and Lordship?
- Jesus called Joshua into a close and intimate relationship with Himself. He wanted to use Joshua to do great things for the Kingdom of God. The battles Joshua and the Israelites were about to face belonged to the LORD. What role would Joshua and the Israelites have in God's plan? How can we apply this truth to the battles we face in our lives today?
- What do you think Jesus wants to accomplish in your life?