

Discussion Questions for When You Come into the Land

1. What new insight did you gain by watching this video? How do you respond to this new insight? How will you realign your life based on this new understanding?
2. The declaration the children of Israel were to make each year when they brought their firstfruits was, "I declare today." What is the significance of "today"?
3. This declaration was to be made each year after they entered the Promised Land. What is the physical and spiritual importance of the Promised Land? Back it up with scripture!

4. Deuteronomy 28:9-10 said that when God established Israel as a holy people, the other peoples of the earth will see that they are called by God's name and will be afraid of them. This happened with Jacob in Genesis 35:1-5. Balaak was afraid of them in Numbers 22:1-3. Rehab and the city of Jericho were frightened in Joshua 2:8-13. What are the reasons for their fear?

5. In the video, we stated that the covenants God makes with man are all instituted by God. He is One who makes the first overture and invitation to enter into covenant and He is the one who puts it in place. Why is this significant especially in terms of the New Covenant? How does this show that covenants with God build upon the previous covenant as opposed to replacing them?

6. The Jewish people have a tradition of "chesed" which they translate as charity. This is focused on providing for the poor in their communities. The word "chesed" is usually translated into English as mercy or lovingkindness. We have learned through studying the use of the word "chesed" in the Bible that it is connected with covenant devotion or loyalty. Who is showing chesed/charity also showing chesed/devotion?

