

Promise Keeping and Order Making - Joshua 3:9-17

Living with roaches

People have forfeit their land due to evil

Gen 15:16 In the fourth generation your descendants will come back here, for the sin of the Amorites has not yet reached its full measure."

Evil is in opposition to Good

Self-interest promotes self-seeking which promotes division

Evil brings chaos (thoughts of evil all the time), Good brings order and peace

I can't do this anymore: "RAID"

Israel is bringing restoration to the land – Land that vomits

Josh 2:9-11 Courage failed "we have been watching"

Worlds Intersect: Ark of the Covenant – God at the center where heaven and earth intersect. Ordinary become extraordinary

Chaotic Jordan is halted from her natural path

The People of God, the "ordering one" walk on dry ground

Maximize Radiance Minimizing Absorption:

The Church brings restoration of the heart – How do I bring light

1 Peter 2:9 chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's special possession, that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light

Jesus did not come to overthrow Rome but rebellious hearts

Warfare against principalities and powers of this dark world

Not with worldly weapons 2 Corinthians 10:4

We don't respond to the world's darkness with darkness: evil for evil

Jesus demonstrates self-sacrifice above short term self-interest

"See to it the light within you is not darkness" Mt 6:23

1 Pt 2:11-17 Foreigners and Sojourners: Different in way of life

Fleshly desires (animal nature) that war against our soul (Spiritual nature) (Our God like image)

Attacked Affection and Attacked Will

What we learn: Be cautious to Spiritual infection.

Be part of the solution not another problem

Not my individual rights but my Kingdom responsibility

Act different