

Did You Know...

What can we learn from the tribe of Gad?

Israel's tribes were named for Jacob's children. When Jacob blessed his 12 sons, he said, "Gad, a troop shall overcome him: but he shall overcome at the last" (Genesis 49:19). Later, Moses blessed the tribe of Gad, saying, "And of Gad he said, Blessed be he that enlargeth Gad: he dwelleth as a lion, and teareth the arm with the crown of the head. And he provided the first part for himself, because there, in a portion of the lawgiver, was he seated; and he came with the heads of the people, he executed the justice of the Lord, and his judgments with Israel" (Deuteronomy 33:20-21).

The tribe of Gad was one of three (Reuben and the half-tribe of Manasseh were the others) to fight for and be awarded lands east of the Jordan River, the gateway to the Promised Land. When Gad and the other tribes first asked for this land outside of the Promised Land, Moses warned that their actions could discourage the others from taking the land God had given, much like the ten spies' fearful report forty years previously. The Reubenites and Gadites said they would make accommodations for their families and livestock and would not return home until all of the Israelites had received their inheritance and Moses agreed with them.

The tribes were faithful to their commitment. When they returned to their own land, they built an altar. The other Israelites came out against them, thinking they were rebelling against the Lord. But the tribes of Gad, Reuben, and the half-tribe of Manasseh called on the Lord, saying He knew their motives and, if they had acted in rebellion or disobedience, they should not be spared. In fact, they had built the altar not to make sacrifices but "to be a witness between us and you and the generations that follow, that we will worship the LORD at his sanctuary with our burnt offerings, sacrifices and fellowship offerings. Then in the future your descendants will not be able to say to ours, 'You have no share in the LORD'" (Joshua 22:27). Though the tribes had settled on the other side of the Jordan, they were still very much committed to worshiping God. They were still part of Israel and wanted to prevent the Jordan River, a significant geographical divide between Gad and most of the other tribes, from spiritually dividing God's people then or in future generations. "And the Reubenites and Gadites gave the altar this name: A Witness Between Us—that the LORD is God" (Joshua 22:34). What we learn from the tribe of Gad is their faithfulness to God and their commitment to others. Perhaps the most important lesson we learn from Gad (and all the other tribes) is to recognize the need for complete faith and trust in God. – Pastor James

SUNDAY

Adult Sunday School:
9:30 a.m. – 10:20 a.m.

Morning Worship:
10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

Children's Service:
10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

Youth/Young Adult:
10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

Bible Study:
5:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY

Bible Study:
6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

AWANA:
6:15 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

SATURDAY

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