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Chapter 5

Mikeitz & Vayigash

The conquest of the Promised Land is imminent, but a few things still have to be taken care of before the children of Israel could proceed—circumcision, weening off of the manna, and the observance of Pesach. Finally, Joshua meets the angel who will triumphantly bring Israel into the land.

Joshua Discussion Questions:

1. Why was it so important that Israel observe the Passover upon entering the Promised Land?
2. Compare and discuss what you think the purposes were of the first "immersion" (at the Red Sea), the second "immersion" (at the Jordan River), the first circumcision (Gen. 17:10-12), and the second circumcision (Josh. 5:2-8).
3. Discuss some of the enemies/adversaries/obstacles you face on your way to the Kingdom life. Now imagine the Captain of the Legion of Adonai facing them with sword drawn. Who wins that fight? How have you not allowed Him to help you conquer them up till now?
4. Think back to wilderness experiences from your past. What part of you had to die there? What was born in you to take its place?

Mikeitz & Vayigash Discussion Questions:

5. Why should the idea of "praise" be so deeply connected especially to Hanukkah?
6. Explain in your own words the unique relationship between Judah and Joseph.
7. Spend a few minutes thinking about how God may be opening opportunities to serve others in practical ways, and share with the group.

