Preparing for our Battles Ahead

Joshua 5:2-12

Why was circumcision such a core part of being a son of Abraham (Gen 17:9-14)?

Why did God want Joshua to catch up on Israel’s foundational sign of being His People as they entered the Promised Land?

How was circumcision a spiritual metaphor for God’s People before and then in Messiah (Jeremiah 9:25-26; Rom 4:9-12; 1 Cor 7:18-20; Colossians 2:11-12).

Explore the idea of God ‘rolling away the reproach of Egypt.’ If the hypocrisy we are accused of is true, why do we need to change our life (circumcision) to move forward?

Why did Israel’s obedience require new courage and hard work—no more manna and then many battles to win? How is that so with us following our King Messiah?