

**Joshua: A Time For Action  
Before Battle, Renew Your Commitments!  
Joshua 5:1-12 (page 151)**

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**God Reminds Me...**

**That When *He* is at Work, Others Take N o t i c e (5:1)**

- God is *working* in the hearts of other p e o p l e  
(1 Pet 2:12; 1 Tim 1:16)
- God has *already* given us the v i c t o r y  
(John 16:33; 2 Cor 2:14)

**To P r e p a r e My Heart For God's *Purposes* (5:2-9)**

*Circumcision:*

- s e p a r a t e d Israel unto God as His *covenant* people  
(vs 2-3; Gen 17:7-14)
- required a p e r s o n a l response to God's Word  
(vs 3,8; Gen 17:23-27)
- r e m o v e d the "reproach of Egypt" (v 9)  
Gilgal = "*galal*" to r o l l or roll a w a y
- The *outward* sign is to be reflective of the *inward* r e a l i t y ... in  
our case, b a p t i s m (1 Cor 12:13; Rom 6:1-10; Eph 4:3-5; Col 2:9-12)

**To R e m e m b e r That It Is God Who *Delivers* (5:10)**

- Passover was a c o m m u n i t y memorial to remember God's  
*deliverance* from Egypt (Ex 12)
- We remember God's *deliverance* from s i n as a *community* when  
we celebrate C o m m u n i o n (1 Cor 5:7-8)
- We not only look back at the deliverance of the cross but look  
f o r w a r d to the return and ultimate v i c t o r y in Christ  
(1 Cor 11:26)

**That God Intends For Me To Go On To M a t u r i t y (5:11-12)**

It pictures God's...

- desire that I learn to f e e d *myself* (1 Pet 2:1-3; Heb 6:1-3)
- p r o v i s i o n for *everything* that I need to g r o w spiritually and  
t a k e what He has given (2 Pet 1:3-9; Phil 4:19)