

Old Testament Readings: Exodus 13:20-22, 25:31-40, 40:20-25

Leviticus 24:14

Nehemiah 9:19

Gospel Lesson Text: John 2:19-21, 1:4, 6:37-39, 44, 14:1-3, 6

Gospel Lesson: “The Lampstand: Deliverance Into the ‘Promised Land’”

Introduction: Christianity, with Jesus, is not a _____ from _____ Testament religion, but a _____ of it.

- a. Jesus is the _____ of the Old-Testament _____ (John 2:19-21).
 - b. Jesus is for Christians each _____ that each _____ piece of the temple signified.
4. Jesus is the _____ of the tabernacle’s _____ (Exodus 13:20-22, John 8:12).
- 3) Jesus’ light means I will be in “the _____ Land” (Exodus 13:21-22, Nehemiah 9:12, 19):
 - a) The Promised Land was the _____ of God’s people (Deuteronomy 31:7, Acts 13:19).
 - b) The Promised Land was God’s _____ (the kingdom of God) on earth (Psalm 45:6, 145:11, 12, 13, 103:19, 2 Samuel 7:14, 16).
 - (1) Its laws were _____’s laws.
 - (2) It was ruled by a man of _____’s choice, who sat as _____: David and his sons ruled God’s people on earth as earthly, in-flesh representatives of _____’s kingship over His people in the Promised Land (Deuteronomy 17:14-10, 2 Samuel 7:14, 16).
 - c) Through _____ in Jesus, I am and will be in the Promised Land _____, when I _____, and when Jesus

_____ (Colossians 1:12-14).

- (1) Now: the Promised Land is the _____ (Colossians 2:12-14, Matthew 7:13-14, Philipians 3:20, Hebrews 12:22-24).
 - (a) It was _____ who brought me here.
 - (b) He was the _____ that led me in (John 1:4, 9, 6:37-39, Luke 1:79, Revelation 6:1-2).
- (2) When I die: the Promised Land is _____ (Hebrews 1:14, 1 Peter 1:4).
 - (a) _____ will bring me there,
 - (b) As a pillar of _____, bringing me to the Promised Land (John 14:1-3, 6, Titus 3:7, Matthew 19:29).
- (3) When Jesus returns: the Promised Land will be the _____ Heavens and _____ Earth (Revelation 21:1-5).
 - (a) _____, as a pillar of fire, will bring me—
 - (b) Soul _____ body—to this _____ and _____ Promised Land (John 6:39, 44, Matthew 25:31-34, Matthew 5:5, 2 Peter 3:13).

Summary: The lampstand in the temple reminds me of Jesus’ being my _____—my pillar of _____—who has and will insure my being _____ to “the Promised Lands” of the _____ in this life, _____ when I die, and the _____ Heaven and _____ Earth when Jesus _____.