

God impacts the nations as He blesses His people

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Week nine

As God blessed the people of Israel, He would reveal Himself to the nations and draw Gentiles to Himself. While working through the following Scriptures pay attention to how both themes are woven together in Bible stories that you probably know well. Notice how God's blessings are used to impact the nations and how individuals responded. Also, take some time to reflect on why you think the second theme of God's purpose and man's responsibility is usually ignored when these stories are discussed.

- The parting of the Red Sea—Joshua 4:23-24; 2:8-11
- The blessing of the commandments and statutes that God gave Israel—Deuteronomy 4:5-8
- God blessing Solomon with wisdom—Kings 4:29-34; 10:1-9
- God's blessing Esther & Mordecai—Esther 8:15-18
- God delivering Daniel from the lions—Daniel 6:16-28

Selah—Take some time to reflect on what you have discovered in the Scripture you have studied today. What has the Holy Spirit revealed to you? Write those insights down and consider how you might apply them in your daily walk with Jesus Christ.