

Joshua 5:1-15

1. How have you lost touch with friends from high school or college?
2. How does it feel to be reunited with a friend you haven't seen for a long time?
3. What reaction did the foreign kings have toward the news about Israel and their God? (5:1)
4. What was the last thing the Israelites had to do before they could enter the Promised Land? (5:2)
5. How did Joshua respond to the Lord's command to circumcise the Israelites? (5:2-3)
6. How did the Lord respond to the Israelites' obedience to His command to be circumcised? (5:9)
7. How did the Israelites demonstrate their renewed commitment to the Lord after they were circumcised? (5:10)
8. How was the Israelites' celebration significant in light of what they had just done? (5:10)
9. What does "circumcision of the heart" (Rom 2:29) mean? How does it look for contemporary believers?
10. Why did God stop the manna? (5:12)
11. Whom did Joshua meet outside of Jericho? (5:13-14)
12. God seems to be refusing to be partisan (5:14) and yet shows his presence by declaring the ground holy (5:15). How might being more aware of God's presence help us in times of stress and confrontation?
13. Is it more important to be on God's side or for God to be on our side? (5:14)
14. What is one area of your spiritual life that you have had difficulty fully committing to the Lord?