



Introduction: After destroying the giants in their way, Israel is faced with yet another watershed moment in their history. No matter how many victories we may achieve, Satan is always going to attempt to get our eyes off the mark (*Phil. 3:13-14*). Our decision can have detrimental consequences on eternity...

I. In the midst of conquests, there is a land for cattle

- ✓ Israel was in Gilead in the plains of Jordan after just inherited a great spoil after slaughtering the Midianites and _____ – *Num. 32:1; 31:1-11; Gen. 13:10-11*
- ✓ “And thy servants have cattle” – *Num. 32:2-5*
 - Reuben was the eldest son of Jacob who was disgraced due to sin; had his birthright given to Joseph’s sons Ephraim & _____ – *Gen. 35:22; Num. 16:1*
 - Gad = “trooper”; “_____”; Indicates to “press upon” – *Gen. 49:19; Lk. 16:16*

II. The Draw to Live the Cattle Life

- ✓ The desire to _____ down in life when there’s still a _____ to accomplish – *Lk. 9:57-58; Mt. 28:18-20; 2 Tim. 2:2*
- ✓ The focusing on personal _____ while neglecting the needs of others – *Lk. 9:59-60; Mar 10:21-22; Mat 24:12*
- ✓ Being self-_____ & looking for the _____ way out – *Lk. 9:61-62; Gen 19:19-20; 1 Ki. 19:20-21*
 - We cannot forget that the defining characteristic of how the church in Laodicea became lukewarm is due to _____ – *Rev. 3:17; 1 Sam. 15:18-21*
- ✓ A reminder of the call to arms in times of inaction – *Num. 32:6-15*
 - Our inaction will affect _____ – *Ps. 144:1; Eccl. 10:18*
 - Our inaction will affect our fellow _____ still in the fight – *vs. 7; Mt. 26:41, 45*
 - Our inaction will affect the course of human _____ – *vs. 15; Ezek. 33:6*

III. **Application:** Legacy Beyond the Wilderness

- ✓ Are you headed in the right direction? – *1 Jn. 2:16; 2 Pet. 2:7-8*
- ✓ Does your heart value the _____ or “the cattle life”? – *Mt. 6:21; 2 Sam. 11:11; 1 Cor. 13:5, 7*
- ✓ Are you creating a legacy beyond the wilderness or “shall ye destroy all this people”? – *1 Chr. 5:18, 20; 12:8, 14, 37-38; 26:31-32*
- ✓ BEWARE– while none of us should settle for the GOOD cattle life, we just might be deceived into settling for the BETTER instead of the very _____ that God has for us – *Josh. 22; 1 Chr. 5:23-26; Rom. 12:2*