

Towns for the Levites - Joshua 20:1-21:45

Topics: Accusation, Consequences, Obedience, Promises, Protection, Punishment, Reliability

Open It

- * 1. How does it feel when a friend breaks a promise?
- 2. How important is it to you that a friend be trustworthy? Why?

Explore It

- 3. Why did the Lord tell the Israelites to designate cities of refuge? (20:2-3)
- * 4. From what did the cities of refuge offer people protection? (20:3)
- 5. Who would go to a city of refuge? (20:3)
- 6. What role did elders play in a city of refuge? (20:4)
- 7. How long would a person remain in a city of refuge? (20:6)
- 8. Why did the family heads of the Levites approach Eleazar, Joshua, and the heads of the other Israelite tribes? (21:2)
- 9. How did the Israelites respond to the request of the Levites? (21:3)
- * 10. Why did each of the Israelite tribes give up some of their land to the Levites? (21:8)
- * 11. What specific promise did the Lord fulfill to Israel? (21:43)
- 12. What was life like for the Israelites after they conquered the land the Lord had promised them? (21:44)

Get It

- 13. Why was it important to establish places of refuge in Israel?
- * 14. In what specific ways has the Lord provided protection for you?
- 15. How do you think the church today should be involved in protecting Christians from the stresses of life?
- 16. What does this passage reveal about the character of God?
- 17. What have you learned from this passage about the reliability of God's promises?
- * 18. What is one promise you have seen the Lord fulfill in your own life?
- 19. What do you think we should do when it seems as if God's promises are not fulfilled?

Apply It

- 20. What is one specific promise in the Bible that you would like to claim?
- * 21. What concrete action could you take this week to demonstrate your trust in God's promises?