Class #35 - Restored Land & People, pt.2 (Ezekiel 35-36)

Objectives:

- Identify a passage (not Ezekiel 36) in which God is concerned with the land/earth.
- Compare & contrast the role of the heart in the Old and New Covenants.
- Explain the role of shame and loathing in a healthy relationship with God.

Mountains/Land (36:8-21)

Question: Why is God addressing the mountains of Israel (the land of Israel)? Is it simply a metaphor for the people or is God concerned about the land itself?

Passages to consider:

Notes:

- Leviticus 26:27-35
- Deuteronomy 4:25-31
- Romans 8:18-21
- Revelation 21-22

New Heart (36:24-30, 33-38)

Question: What were God's expectations for Israel regarding the heart? Why do they need a new one? What does it mean for us?

Passages to consider:

Notes:

- Deuteronomy 6:5-6; 30:1-8
- Jeremiah 5:20-24; 24:4-7
- Ezekiel 11:18-21; 14:1-5; 18:30-31

New Heart (continued)

Passages to consider:

Notes:

- Mark 12:28-34
- Romans 5:1-5
- 2 Corinthians 3:1-6
- Galatians 4:6

Shame & Loathing (36:22-23, 31-32)

Question: Why does God speak of remembering, loathing, and being ashamed in the context of the promises of redemption and restoration?

Notes:

Passages to consider:

- Ezekiel 16:59-63
- Ezra 9 / Nehemiah 9 / Daniel 9
- Luke 18:9-14
- 1 Corinthians 15:9-11
- 2 Corinthians 7:9-13