

Joshua

Possessing the Promise

"Mercy in Sanctification"

INTRO: *With the Promise Land divided among Israel's twelve tribes, God revealed cities crucial to the people's relationship to God's Word and the sin it revealed. This section highlights God's mercy!*

I. Believers undergoing _____ still commit

_____ and make _____. *Mistakes may lead to sinful behavior and are usually the result of unwise decisions and/ or uncontrolled passions.*

II. Sin deserves _____ but mistakes cry for _____.

This principle is highlighted in the difference between murder and manslaughter.

III. Extend _____ for _____ and keep God's Word _____ (20:1-21:45).

A. Mercy acknowledges _____ but does not eliminate all _____ (20:1-9). *The acquitted had to remain within the City of Refuge until the death of the High Priest.*

B. God's Word should be kept _____ to prevent future _____ (21:1-45). *The forty-eight Levitical cities were disbursed throughout the Promise Land.*