

JOSHUA 22, 23

1. Joshua commended the 2 ½ tribes of Reuben, Gad and Manasseh in 22:2-3. Who are all the people he said that they had been **obedient** to?

Look back at Joshua 1:12-15. What had these 2 ½ tribes been **commanded** to do?

2. Look at verses 4-9. Before they went home, what are some different **instructions** that Joshua gave to the tribes of Reuben, Gad and Manasseh?

3. The 2 ½ tribes built an **altar** on their way home. Where did they build it? What was its size?

Look at Deuteronomy 12:13-14. The Law said that the people of Israel could not offer burnt offerings on an altar anywhere they wanted to, but only where?

4. When the people of Israel heard about this altar, they prepared to go to **war** against the 2 ½ tribes because they thought they were rebelling against the Lord. What do you think of their decision to go to war? What do you think it shows about the people of Israel?

5. Phinehas gave two illustrations of how sin leads to punishment for the whole nation of Israel. What was the sin at **Peor** (see Numbers 25:1-3) and what was its consequence (Num. 25:9)? What was the sin of **Achan** and what was its consequence (see Joshua 7)?

