

“Hope Renewed”

Numbers 21:1–35

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GETTING TO KNOW YOU

1. Without being critical, are there habits, practices, beliefs, or principles that you have that are different than your parents? What has contributed to this change?

WORLDVIEW

2. When Israel defeated the Canaanites (and the Amorites for that matter) they “devoted them to destruction” (v. 3). This is often used to argue against God’s goodness as it seems to be an example of ethnic cleansing. Is this charge accurate? Why, or why not? See Genesis 15:12–16.

Exodus 21 is filled with warfare? Why do you think this is? What lessons are there for us as Christians? How should we interpret Psalm 144:1 in this regard?

INTO THE BIBLE

3. Discuss the account of the bronze serpent and its fulfilment in Jesus Christ (John 3:14–15).

When the people looked at the serpent they would have been reminded of God’s judgement on their sin. How was this fulfilled in the cross of Christ?

