**“THEN OUT CAME THE FLINT KNIVES”**

The miraculous crossing of the Jordan River during flood stage was amazing! Yay God!! The opposing kings were now paralyzed with fear because of all that God had done for the people of Israel. The up-and-coming possessing of the land of promise should be easy. . . .oh, just one more thing. . . .

**Read Joshua 5:1-9**

1. “Weakened enemies are still enemies”.
   1. What might be some implications of the above statement?
2. Don’t just rush in to do battle based merely on the best available human intel.
   1. **Read Isaiah 55:8-9**
3. God’s covenant of promise needed to be re-established before proceeding.
   1. None of the men born after they came out of the wilderness during the time in the wilderness had been circumcised.
   2. Circumcision was a sign of becoming identified with the covenant promises of God to Abraham and his descendants.
   3. Spiritual preparation for events to follow.
4. What are the implications of this circumcision to our lives today?

**The Circumcision of the Heart**

* 1. **Read Romans 2:25-29**
  2. **Read Ephesians 2:11-22**
  3. **Read 2 Corinthians 2:14-16**
  4. What outward signs do we use today to indicate we are people of God’s promise?