

STUDY GUIDE QUESTIONS – WEEK 9

1. If you were asked to preach on Numbers 12, what would be the main theme or message of your sermon? Why?

2. Rebellion is a main theme that runs throughout the Book of Numbers. Who are the Israelites rebelling against? In what ways are they rebelling? Why are they rebelling? What are the consequences of their rebellion?

3. Who is Balaam? What is his story? What is the meaning and significance of his oracles?

4. Why is there a second census taken in Numbers 26? What are the differences between this census and the one taken in Numbers 1?

5. Who are the daughters of Zelophehad? What is significant about their story?

6. How do you interpret the feeding of the multitude stories in Mark 6:30-44 and Mark 8:1-10? What is the meaning or message of the stories? What do they reveal about God?

7. What does Jesus mean when he says, “There is nothing outside a person that by going in can defile, but the things that come out are what defile?” (Mark 7:14)

8. What, according to Jesus, must one do to become his follower? What does it mean to “take up your cross” to follow Christ? Give one example of how you might do that today?