

# WOC INTERNATIONAL

## 2020 New Moon 2 - April 24, 2020

### Rosh Chodesh Iyar (5780)

Iyar's theme - "Conquering the Emotional Giants Within"

Where does understanding "Conquering the Emotional Giants Within" begin?

With ascertaining what an Emotional Giant is

It's an intimidating emotion that forces all other thoughts and feelings into subjection

What 3 most common emotional giants live in the soul of all human beings?

\_\_\_\_\_ - Feeling that someone/something is dangerous, likely to cause pain or a threat

Why is it intimidating? - It blocks you from facing issues head-on or trying new things

\_\_\_\_\_ - Feeling of sadness or disappointment over a lost or missed opportunity

Why is it so intimidating? - It takes you back to times or places that no longer exist

\_\_\_\_\_ - Feeling of responsibility for violating personal moral standards of conduct

Why is it so intimidating? - It forces you to remain a prisoner of your past

Notes

Where does understanding "Conquering the Emotional Giants Within" continue?

With recognizing the Spirit "works things out" in me by forcing me to conquer these 3 Giants

Reality - Internal Giants in believers are more difficult to defeat than external ones because

Their carnal behavior derives from a perversion of Torah & personal religion

*Rom 7:22-24 "For in my inner self I completely agree with God's Torah; 23 but in my various parts, I see a different "torah," one that battles with the Torah in my mind and makes me a prisoner of sin's "torah," which is operating in my various parts." CJB*

Notes

Where does understanding "Conquering the Emotional Giants Within" end?

With realizing the story of David and Goliath is not about a giant, but a "fitness to rule"

David proved he was fit to rule Israel because he was a courageous giant \_\_\_\_\_

While David didn't look the part - He had the goods (previous training qualified him)

Sha'ul proved he was unfit to rule because he was a people pleasing \_\_\_\_\_ tiger

Sha'ul looked the part - But he didn't have the goods

*1 Sam 9:2 "He had a son named Sha'ul who was young and good-looking; among the people of Isra'el there was no one better-looking than he; he stood head and shoulders taller than anyone else in Isra'el." CJB*

**This month is about confirming my fitness to serve this new season on this new journey**

**Will I be a David (a courageous giant slayer) or a Sha'ul (a people pleasing paper tiger?)**

## Notes

**What should I already know about the 2<sup>nd</sup> month of Iyar?**

**I know Iyar is \_\_\_\_\_ linked to the tribe of Yissakhar (Ya'akov's 9<sup>th</sup> son and 5<sup>th</sup> by Leah)  
And that he marched on the east side of the tabernacle with Y'hudah and Z'vulun**

**I know \_\_\_\_\_, Nisan seeds were nurtured during Iyar to be harvested in Sivan**

**I know \_\_\_\_\_, the nation was born out of the Exodus, became an adolescence in Iyar  
And became a mature adult in Sivan, making them eligible to receive the Covenant and Torah**

## Notes

**What does the Father want me to remember about this 2<sup>nd</sup> month of Iyar?**

**I should remember that Leah viewed Yissakhar & his birth as a sign of divine favor**

**She saw it as her reward for giving her handmaid to Ya'akov to bear more children**

*Gen 30:17-18 "God listened to Le'ah, and she conceived and bore Ya'akov a fifth son. 18 Le'ah said, "God has given me my hire, because I gave my slave-girl to my husband." So she called him Yissakhar [hire, reward]." CJB*

**Ya'akov, however, saw Yissakhar as a donkey**

*Gen 49:14 "Yissakhar is a strong donkey lying down in the sheep sheds." CJB*

**A donkey was a \_\_\_\_\_ animal that would stop & rest sometimes for the task ahead**

**It was also a \_\_\_\_\_ animal who would hide sometimes to avoid work!**

**Ya'akov knew his son could be a strong sturdy fighter (like a donkey) - He also knew**

**His love of comfort would ultimately lead him to settle for the easy way out**

## Notes

**What new perspectives does the Father want me to have about this 2<sup>nd</sup> month of Iyar?**

**\_\_\_\_\_ - Yissakhar broke his ordained link with Z'vulun & Y'hudah in the Promised Land**

**Even though He was grouped on the Mt with Y'hudah to bless, not Z'vulun to curse**

**He kept ties with Z'vulun & broke ties with Y'hudah to his detriment**

**When I reject those God grouped me with, I will be underdeveloped & unprotected**

**\_\_\_\_\_ - Yissakhar was a scholarly tribe with great potential, full of harmful contradictions**

**On one hand, they were religiously astute, influential and well versed in the Torah**

*1 Chron 12:33 "Of the descendants of Yissakhar, men who understood the times and knew what Isra'el ought to do, there were 200 leaders, and all their kinsmen were under their command."*

**On the other hand, they still lost their identity despite their knowledge & proximity to Y'hudah**

**I can lose out like them when I am \_\_\_\_\_ the right people, but I'm not WITH them!**

## Notes

**What new truths does my Father want me to embrace about the 2<sup>nd</sup> month of Iyar?**

**Iyar is my "month of \_\_\_\_\_ via testing" (40/10 days) between redemption & revelation**

**It's my time to conquer my emotional giants & break free from their stranglehold**

*Rev 2:24-25 "But to the rest of you in Thyatira, to those who do not hold this teaching, who have not learned what some people call the 'deep things' of the Adversary, I say this: I am not loading you up with another burden; 25 only hold fast to what you have until I come" CJB*

**Iyar is my time to learn valuable life lessons from Yissakhar's history**

**Regardless to how convenient it is, I cannot live like him and be a slave to comfort or wealth**

*Gen 49:15 "On seeing how good is settled life and how pleasant the country, he will bend his back to the burden, and submit to forced labor." CJB*

**This to my detriment, will cause me to trust in the \_\_\_\_\_ of my crops & rejoice in...**

**Living semi-nomadic - Around God but uncommitted to Him, His church, & my brethren**

**I must be like Yissakhar before he was assimilated and use my knowledge to ...**

\_\_\_\_\_ other's burdens and venture forward in the Father trusting the result with Him

\_\_\_\_\_ His people together to worship (pray, learn and sacrifice)

\_\_\_\_\_ Scripture's signs of heaven so that men can align themselves to divine Will

## Notes

## Conclusion

**This Iyar is my appointed time to supernaturally flex in Aviv's redemption and freedom because**

**Prophetically - I am entering the "new \_\_\_\_\_" the Spirit prophesied to us in the past**

**Why are many believers weak, inefficient, and unavailable in this season of emergency?**

**Assimilation has directed them to seek comfort & discourage them to seek faithfulness**

*Luke 16:10-12 "Someone who is trustworthy in a small matter is also trustworthy in large ones, and someone who is dishonest in a small matter is also dishonest in large ones. 11 So if you haven't been trustworthy in handling worldly wealth, who is going to trust you with the real thing?" CJB*

**Assimilation has blocked them from taking appropriate actions to become faithful**

**Emotional giants have blinded them to the seriousness of this time & season**

## **Notes**

**Psychologically - New service in this new normal requires I learn to conquer emotional giants**

**By ignoring the unjust criticism and unbelief of others**

**I must be \_\_\_\_\_ tested like David, who fought despite Sha'ul's low opinion of him**

*1 Sam 17:33 "Sha'ul said to David, "You can't go to fight this P'lishti – you're just a boy, and he has been a warrior from his youth!" CJB*

**By remembering past victories and refusing to worry about how far I have left to go**

**I must be \_\_\_\_\_ like David because past successes are the basis of my confidence**

**By watching what I say and avoiding words of defeat**

**I must be \_\_\_\_\_ like David & verbally tell my emotional giants how I will defeat them**

*1 Sam 17:46 "Today Adonai will hand you over to me. I will attack you, lop your head off, and give the carcasses of the army of the P'lishtim to the birds in the air and the animals in the land. Then all the land will know that there is a God in Isra'el" CJB*

**By depending on my Father and glorifying Him during battle at all times**

**I must be \_\_\_\_\_ like David and publicly declare who I trust for victory**

*1 Sam 17:47 "and everyone assembled here will know that Adonai does not save by sword or spear. For this is Adonai's battle, and he will hand you over to us." CJB*

**By taking the fight to my enemy because he's coming my way anyhow**

**I must be \_\_\_\_\_ like David and run to my giants and not away from them**

*1 Sam 17:48 "When the P'lishti got up, approached and came close to meet David, David hurried and ran toward the army to meet the P'lishti." CJB*

**Time to be a spiritual giant & stop letting my emotional giants (fear, regret, guilt) keep me a slave**

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