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Lessons from the
Israelites' Journey
in the Wilderness***

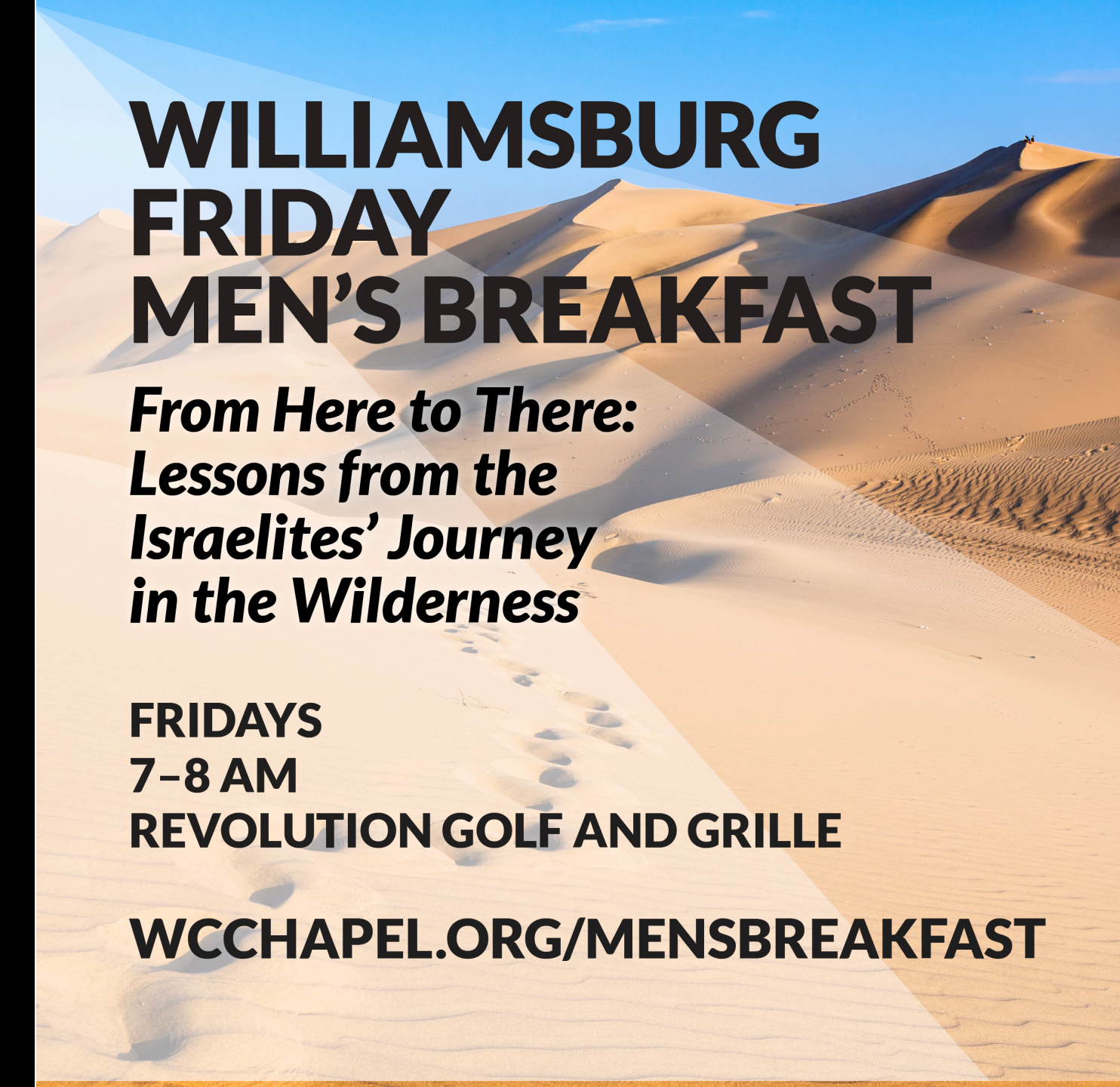
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7-8 AM
REVOLUTION GOLF AND GRILLE**

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October 22, 2021

WELCOME!

- **Grab some food and drink.**
- **Grab a seat.**
- **Make a new friend.**
- **We will start at 7:10 am.**



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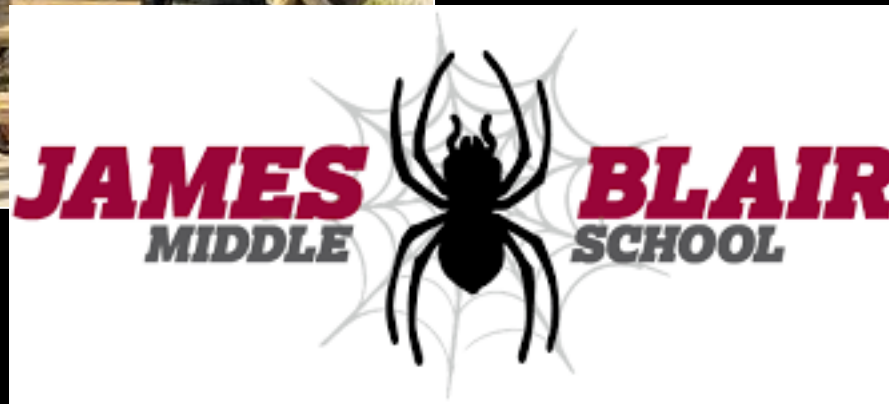
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- **Sign up for our
e-mail (clipboard)**
- **Text
MENSBREAKFAST
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Churches Loving Schools: James Blaire Middle School

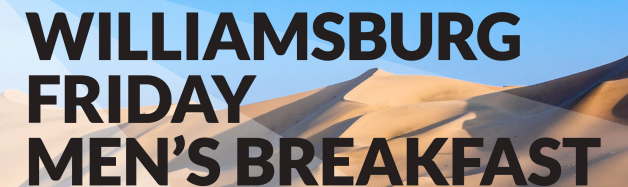


- 4-5 Male staff
- Send one card a month.
- Pray each day for them.



Overview of Our Journey


Theme: The journey from bondage to freedom points us to *Jesus*.



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Mach Tower @ Busch Gardens



A photograph of a vast desert landscape with rolling sand dunes under a clear blue sky. The dunes are golden-brown and have soft shadows cast across them. In the distance, a small figure of a person can be seen on a dune peak.

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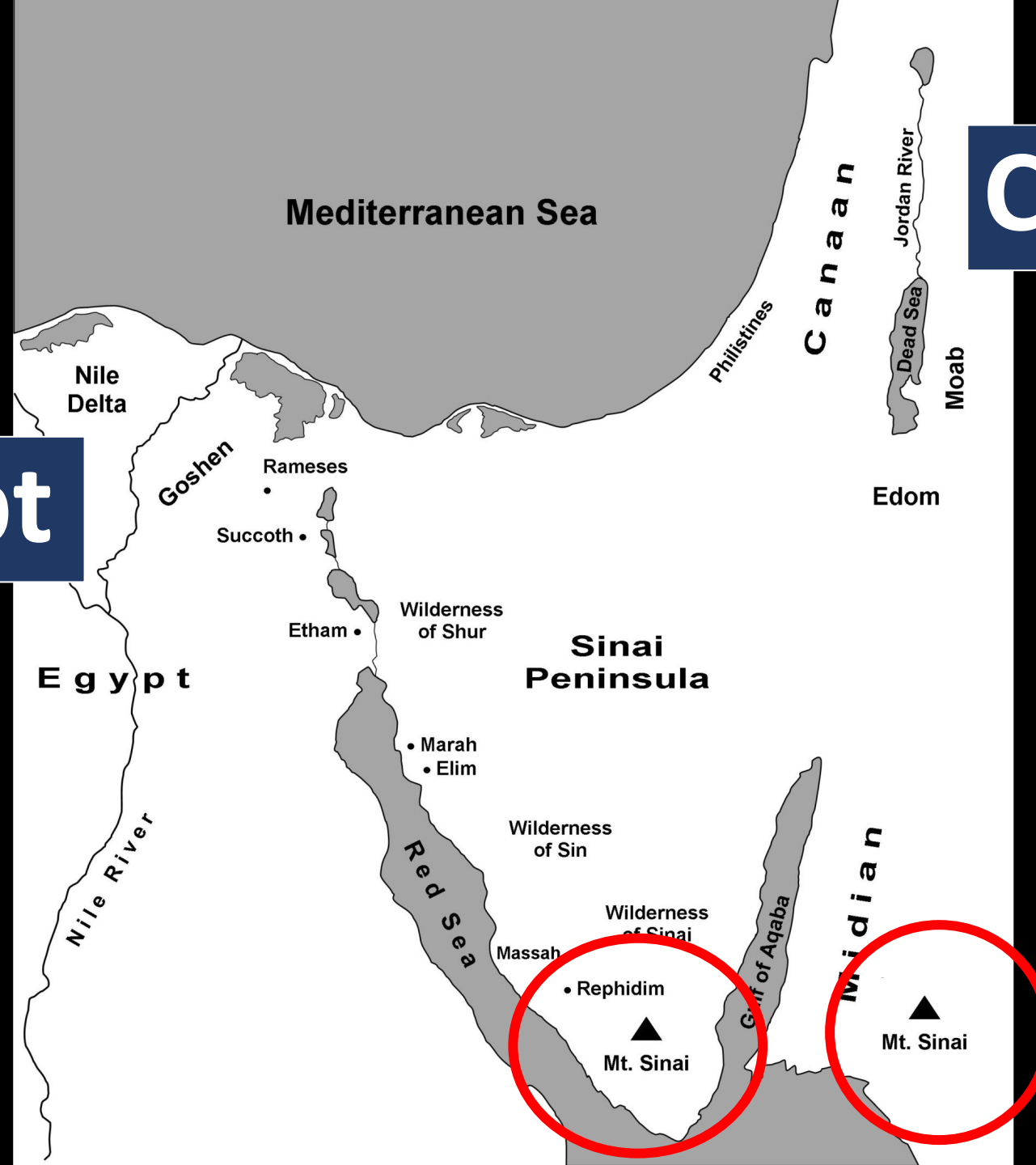
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#7 – A Covenant, a Calf, and Consequences

Exodus 24:1-11; 32:1-10, 15-29

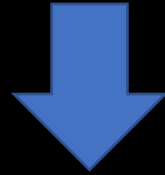
Egypt

Canaan

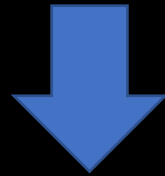


Framework & Flow of the Biblical Law

2 Greatest Commandments



10 Words/Commandments



601 Commandments

Love God

Love Neighbor

Structure for Exodus 24:1-11; 32:1-10, 15-29

- 1) Confirming the Covenant (*Exodus 24:1-11*)
- 2) Crafting the Calf (*Exodus 32:1-10*)
- 3) Carrying out the Consequences (*Exodus 32:15-29*)

1) Confirming the Covenant (*Exodus 24:1-11*)



2) Crafting the Calf (*Exodus 32:1-10*)



Nicolas Poussin,
*"The Adoration of
the Golden Calf"*
(1634)

2) Crafting the Calf (*Exodus 32:1-10*)

“Throughout the remainder of the Pentateuch, the incident of the golden calf cast a dark shadow across Israel’s relationship with God.”

- John Sailhamer

2) Crafting the Calf (*Exodus 32:1-10*)

1 Kings 12:28

So the king (Jeroboam) took counsel and made two calves of gold. And he said to the people, “You have gone up to Jerusalem long enough. ***Behold your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt.***”

2) Crafting the Calf (*Exodus 32:1-10*)

“The celebration of an obligating relationship in Ex 24 becomes in Ex 32 an orgy of the desertion of responsibility ...”

- John I. Durham

3) Carrying out the Consequences (*Exodus 32:15-29*)

“The special treasure-people whose identity has been established by the arrival in their midst of the Presence of Yahweh himself are suddenly in danger of becoming a people with no identity at all ... Yahweh will not withdraw his Presence. Though things cannot be the same, because Israel’s innocence as the people of Yahweh’s Presence has been lost, Yahweh will remain with them still.”

- John I. Durham

3) Carrying out the Consequences (*Exodus 32:15-29*)

“In this manner the thing they had worshiped would become a product of their own waste, the very epitome of worthlessness and impurity.”

– Eugene H. Merrill

Exodus 24 & 32: *Applications*

1) Beware of “Mountain Top” experiences.

Exodus 24:7 - “All that the Lord has spoken we will do, and we will be obedient.”

Exodus 20:2 - “You shall not make for yourself a carved image ...”

Exodus 32:1 - “Up, make us gods who shall go before us.”

Exodus 24 & 32: *Applications*

1) Beware of “Mountain Top” experiences.

Psalm 106:19-21

They made a calf in Horeb and worshiped a metal image. They exchanged the glory of God for the image of an ox that eats grass. ***They forgot God, their Savior, who had done great things in Egypt,***

Exodus 24 & 32: *Applications*

- 1) Beware of “Mountain Top” experiences.
- 2) Wait on the Lord.

Wait on the Lord

“The Land Between is difficult terrain. We make it exceedingly more difficult when our patience dwindles and we demand that God respond in our timing and on our terms.”

- Jeff Manion, *The Land Between*

Wait on the Lord

2 Peter 3:8-9

But do not overlook this one fact, beloved, that ***with the Lord one day is as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day***. The Lord is not slow to fulfill his promise as some count slowness, but is patient toward you, not wishing that any should perish, but that all should reach repentance.

(See also Psalm 90:4)

Exodus 24 & 32: *Applications*

- 1) Beware of “Mountain Top” experiences.
- 2) Wait on the Lord.
- 3) Worship the Lord only.

Worship the Lord Only

Luke 22:20

And likewise the cup after they had eaten, saying, “This cup that is poured out for you is ***the new covenant in my blood.***”

Worship the Lord Only

Hebrews 8:6

But as it is, Christ has obtained a ministry that is as much more excellent than the old as ***the covenant he mediates is better, since it is enacted on better promises.***

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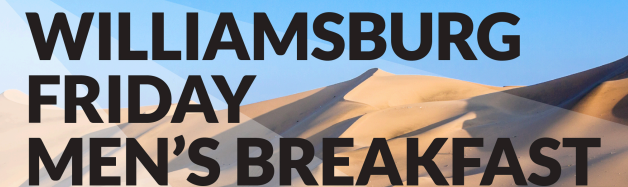
Hebrews 12:22-24

But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God, the judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, ***and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood*** that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel.

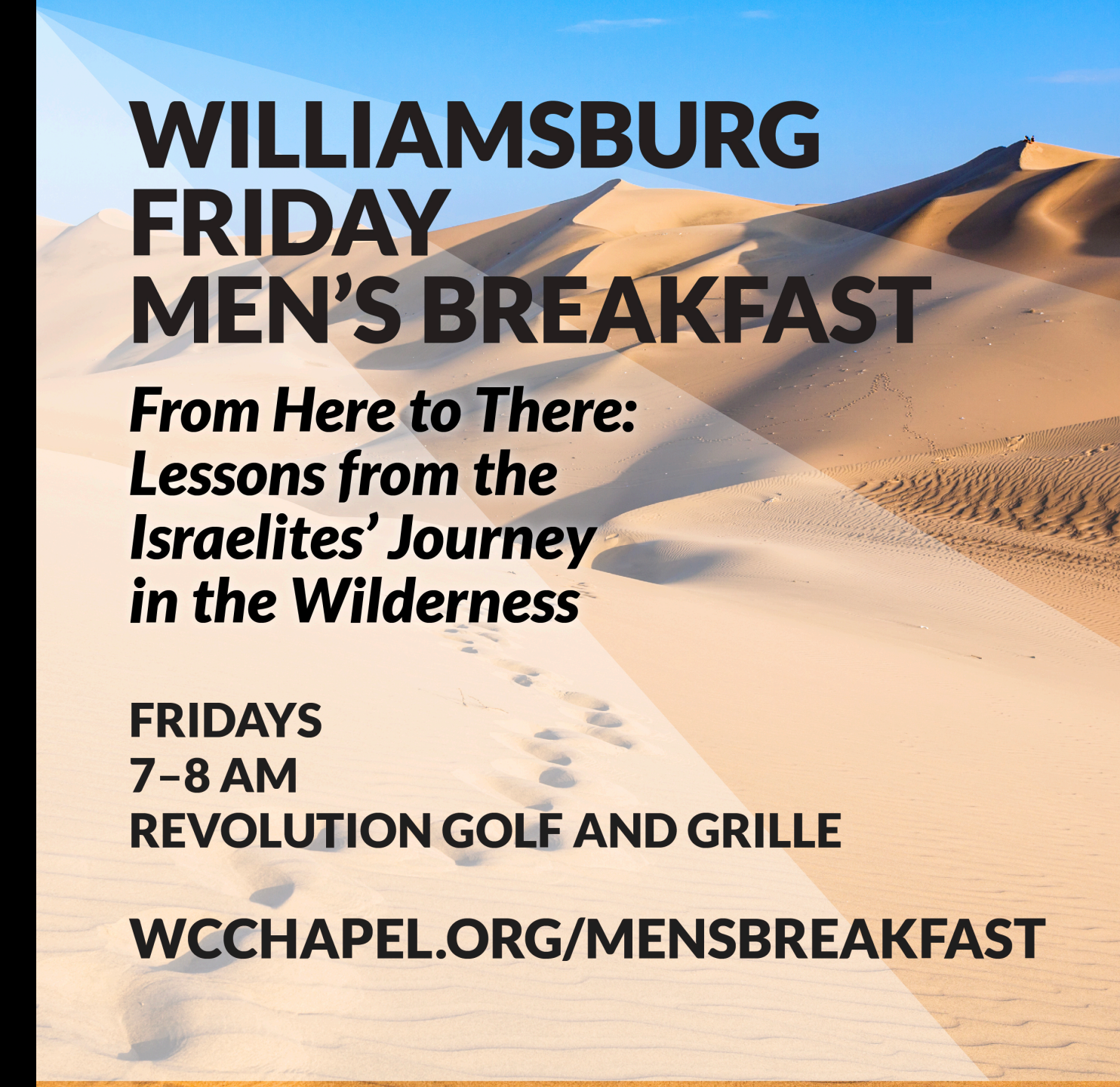
Conclusion

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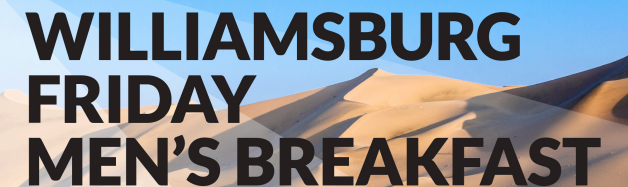
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Next Week:

- **The tabernacle –
God's glory dwells
with His people!**

Discussion Questions

- 1) How do you remind yourself of the truth of Who God and what He has done during the mundane moments (and not just the Mountain Top ones)?
- 2) Where is God's timing forcing you to "wait?" Are you *waiting* on the Lord faithfully? Why or why not?

A banner for Williamsburg Friday Men's Breakfast featuring a background of sand dunes under a blue sky.

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Prayer: Hebrews 13:20-21

Now may the God of peace who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, **by the blood of the eternal covenant**, equip you with everything good that you may do his will, working in us that which is pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever.

Amen.