

"The Generation to be!"

Joshua 5:1-12, page 180

Compare the Pair: Same ... Same ... Different ...

A New Generation:

1. Whose Reproach has been rolled away (5:2–9)

The previous generation had failed to do the most basic Jewish thing - circumcise their kids. (Gen 17)

Their disobedience was their disgrace (5:6)

A rock stack and a mound of foreskins - God brought us in, God removed our reproach

Jesus rolls back our reproach on the cross and gives us his honour.

2. Who taste God's blessings (5:10–12)

'They ate of the fruit of the land' - 5:11, 5:12 (x2) - The wandering ended

| Exodus Generation | New Generation |
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| Came out of Egypt (5:4) | Were born on the way (5:5) |
| Died in the wilderness (5:4, 6) | Live in the Promised Land (5:1) |
| Did not obey the LORD (5:6) | Obey the LORD (1:16, 4:10) |
| Did not see the land (5:6) | Ate the produce of the land (5:11, 12) |
| Did not circumcise their children (5:5) | Circumcised themselves (5:8) |
| Reproach of wandering (Num 14:13–16, Deut 9:28) | Honour of entering (5:9) |

The Wandering Generation an example (Heb 4).

Our Basics: Cross Shaped Love (Jn 13:35)

Which Generation do you want to be?