

Mission Focus 2021: Separated at Birth

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I. Introduction: Our best times are our most _____times.

II. The Vow of the Nazarite: Numbers 6: A call to _____.

A. 1-2: Whosoever will can separate themselves unto Him.

B. 3-8: Terms of the Vow: Separation includes _____, not syncretism.

1. No Wine: Completely distanced from what the world offers.

2. Uncut Hair: The sign of consecration, _____ and _____ upon his/her head.

3. No Dead: Avoid _____ that comes with approaching the dead, even parents.

C. 9-12: How to begin afresh after failure to maintain separation.

D. 13-21: The conclusion of the vow.

III. Separated at Birth: God's 4 Perpetual Nazarites: Separated unto God according to God's will and plan:

A. _____: Judges 13-16: His story starts with a barren woman, includes drama and disappointment as he is betrayed by those he foolishly trusts to love him; He gets victory, but it is tragic.

B. _____: 1 Sam 1: His story starts with a barren woman, includes a lifetime of judging Israel and ultimately with rejection by those he has served his entire lifetime (they were rejecting God—1 Sam 8-7).

C. _____: Lu 1:5-17: His story starts with a barren woman and includes a life of desert separation and power. John gets beheaded. But the Lord's testimony is glowing!

Beginning with a _____, these lives include a calling, drama, victories, failures; betrayal, rejection, & martyrdom in the world, but they all end in God's _____! (Heb 11:32; Lu 7:28a)

D. N.T.B. (_____): 1 Co 10:11, Luke 7:28b

1. The NTB's story begins with a " _____" Gal 4:21-29:

2. _____ the NTB is separated unto God, and from the world! Rom 6:11, John 17:11-17

3. NTB is called to live according to example of his/her high priest (Col 3:10)

4. The terms of consecration: (once you begin to see this, you won't be able to unsee it)

Wine: Will you say, "No" to the _____ life in this world to separate unto God? Gal 6:14, 1 Jn 2:15, SoS 1:2-4. Rom 12:1. How many believers chose the idea of a nice bottle of wine with friends over dinner over the calling of God on their lives? Consecration says, *satisfaction from this _____ is not an option.*

Hair: Will you say, "No", to culturally _____, socially _____, and comfortably _____, limitations to separate unto God? 1 Co 11:10, Rom 12:1-2. How many cut short the power of God in their lives by cutting short their submission thru fear of man? Consecration says, *I will not cut short the work of God in my life through conforming to what my culture _____ or _____.*

Dead: Will you say, "No" to your _____ in order to separate unto God? Lu 9:59-60 How many believers do not separate unto God because they are held back by their _____? Consecration says, *We are going to _____ to _____.*