

TRUMPET TONGUE, FLAMING ZEAL

Exodus 18:1-27

- Moses' deference shows us God's desire for respectful relationships (w 1-7)
- Moses' evangelism shows us God's desire for the nations (w 8-12)
- Moses' fatigue shows us God's model for the church (w 13-27)

FURTHER UP, FURTHER IN

1. What can we make of Moses' response to Jethro's arrival in Exodus 18:1-7?
2. How do you think that deference fits into the Christian life, if at all? Who is it that you find it difficult to show deference toward? Are there any topics that you find it difficult to show deference over? Romans 12:18, 2 Corinthians 13:11, James 3:18, Matthew 5:9, Ephesians 5:21
3. How do Moses' evangelistic efforts in verse 8 differ from your own?
4. In what ways do you think that evangelism is important? What is the impact that it can have? Ezekiel 36:26, Romans 8:9-11, Matthew 28:18-19
5. How does Jethro's conversion demonstrate God's heart for the nations? Does seeing God's heart for the nations in the Old Testament surprise you? In what ways does it affect your view of evangelism? Genesis 17:5, Romans 4:17-18, 1 John 2:2
6. Why do you think that God didn't simply reveal the institution of elders directly to Moses? Exodus 18:19-23. Does this section of the passage affect your view of modern elders at all? What is the role of an elder here? In the New Testament?
7. In what ways is the nation of Israel like the New Testament Church? In what ways are they different? Romans 11:16-24, Romans 14:1-6

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