

"Israel's Thorns: Ungodly Nations"

- "Do not plow with an ox and donkey yoked together." – Deuteronomy 22:10
- God's people have always lived among those who don't know Him.
- Many believers have influenced unbelievers toward giving God glory and following Him.
- Many believers have been influenced by unbelievers and strayed from the faith.

Historical Context: East of the Jordan...

1. Instructions and warnings. Numbers 33:50-55 Joshua 23:6-13

2. Commitments and violations. Joshua 24:14-28, 31 Judges 2:6-12; 3:5

3. Old Testament reinforcement. Psalm 1:1 Proverbs 13:20; 22:24,25

4. New Testament reinforcement. 2 Corinthians 6:14 – 7:1 1 Corinthians 15:33 2 Timothy 2:22

The Principle:

- Historical affirmation
- Observational affirmation
- Personal affirmation

How will each of us apply this principle?