September 2, 2012 Dr. Mark D. Cain Living In Between: The Book of Numbers 6

Look and Live Numbers 21: 4-9 & John 3:14-18 (Pew Bible pp. 164 & 1061)

'Living in between' calls for such faith that we need help in really 'getting' it.

Jesus uses an obscure but illuminating Old Testament event from the Book of Numbers to help us understand the faith we need.

John 3:14-16

God illustrates with a physical event our greatest need – a faith that saves from death with a look. Numbers 21:4-9

The look of faith/trust in the God-provided Remedy gives life.

- 1. Initial *saving* faith = *"Look"* to Jesus for salvation.
- 2. Ongoing *daily* faith = *"Look"* to Jesus for strength.

The glory of the story is that the God with whom we have our greatest problem is the very One Who provides the only, and the sufficient, Solution.

Looking ahead: Read Numbers 22 for next week.