

## **Bible Study - Lesson 3**

### **Celebrating an Ending for a New Beginning**

#### **GOD LOVES HIS PEOPLE**

##### **Deuteronomy 7:6-9**

As we celebrate Black history month I want to remind you that God loves His people. The Bible records a story of God's chosen people named Israel, their oppression, their struggles and their triumph. This is a reminder that God is always on the side of the oppressed, the struggling and the weary. In those moments of uncertainty when it seems that we cannot feel the presence of God, nor experience His peace, we should be reassured that God loves His people.

Fifty four years ago, God gave a man a vision to start a new church. Like the children of Israel the leader and people initially of this new church faced opposition, struggles and tough times in building this ministry. The tenacity, endurance and challenges for Community Church's pastor and people have witnessed growth, grace and the glory of God through the years simply because we witness the love of God for His people.

Our text gives us insight into how or why God loves His people.

- I. God's Love for Us is a Priority to Him. (vs. 6-7)
  - a. We are a consecrated people
  - b. We are a chosen people
- II. God's Love is a Privilege for Us. (vs. 8)
  - a. His connection to our lineage
  - b. His commitment for liberation
- III. God's Love is a Promise to Us. (vs. 9)
  - a. His covenant for life
  - b. His commandments are light