

Joshua's Commission

Joshua 1:1-9

The name of Joshua and the story of Joshua entering Canaan point us to a bigger picture of what God has in mind for all of us as believers. **Hebrews 4:8-11**

I. Submit to the Purposes of God (vs. 1-2)

A. No person is irreplaceable (vs. 1)

“After the death of Moses the servant of the Lord”
Numbers 27:18-20

B. No task is insurmountable (vs. 2)

“get ready to cross the Jordan River”
God called Israel into partnership with Himself to see His will done.

II. Seize the Promises of God (vs. 3-6)

A. Promise #1 – “every place where you set your foot”
(vs. 3-4)

Deuteronomy 11:24

B. Promise #2 – “no one will be able to stand against you”
(vs. 5a)

C. Promise #3 – “As I was with Moses, so I will be with you.”
(vs. 5b)

D. Promise #4 – “I will never leave you nor forsake you”
(vs. 5b)

These 4 promises are given to us today:

1. “every place you set your foot” – **2 Peter 1:3**

2. “no one will be able to stand against you” –
Romans 8:31,37

3. “As I was with Moses, I will be with you” –
John 14:16

4. “I will never leave you nor forsake you” –
Hebrews 13:5

E. Command - “Be strong and courageous”

strong (chazak)- “To tie fast, to bind bonds strongly”
Ecclesiastes 4:12

courageous (amatz) - an active, moral resolve rooted in trusting God's covenant rather than relying on human ability.

When God sees our fears, He wants to fill us with courage

III. Stand on the Precepts of God (vs. 7-8)

A. Talk about it – “always on your lips”

B. Think about it – “meditate on it day and night”

C. Live it out – “be careful to do...”

God's word is to flow from our lips, fill our minds, and be evident in our lives.
Deuteronomy 30:14

IV. Soak in the Presence of God (vs. 9)

When you are struggling with being strong and courageous, remember that you are always surrounded by God's presence.