



A SERIES FROM THE
BOOK OF JOSHUA



This week: Joshua 1:10-18



Preparation

Recap: Joshua 1:1-9

Courage thru transitions

1 After the death of Moses the servant of the LORD, the LORD said to Joshua the son of Nun, Moses' assistant, 2 "Moses my servant is dead. Now therefore arise, go over this Jordan, you and all this people, into the land that I am giving to them, to the people of Israel. 3 Every place that the sole of your foot will tread upon I have given to you, just as I promised to Moses. 4 From the wilderness and this Lebanon as far as the great river, the river Euphrates, all the land of the Hittites to the Great Sea toward the going down of the sun shall be your territory. 5 No man shall be able to stand before you all the days of your life. Just as I was with Moses, so I will be with you. I will not leave you or forsake you.



Joshua 1:1-9

⁶ Be strong and courageous, for you shall cause this people to inherit the land that I swore to their fathers to give them. ⁷ Only be strong and very courageous, being careful to do according to all the law that Moses my servant commanded you. Do not turn from it to the right hand or to the left, that you may have good success wherever you go. ⁸ This Book of the Law shall not depart from your mouth, but you shall meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do according to all that is written in it. For then you will make your way prosperous, and then you will have good success. ⁹ Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be frightened, and do not be dismayed, for the LORD your God is with you wherever you go.”



Joshua 1:1-9

Be strong and courageous for...

1. The people he was to lead (*vs 6a*)
2. The land he was to possess (*vs 6b*)
3. The man he was to succeed (*vs 7*)
4. The God he was to serve (*vs 9*)
5. God's promises
6. God's power
7. God's presence



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¹⁰ And Joshua commanded the officers of the people, ¹¹ “Pass through the midst of the camp and command the people, ‘Prepare your provisions, for within three days you are to pass over this Jordan to go in to take possession of the land that the LORD your God is giving you to possess.’”



Joshua 1:10-18

¹² And to the Reubenites, the Gadites, and the half-tribe of Manasseh Joshua said, ¹³ “Remember the word that Moses the servant of the LORD commanded you, saying, ‘The LORD your God is providing you a place of rest and will give you this land.’

¹⁴ Your wives, your little ones, and your livestock shall remain in the land that Moses gave you beyond the Jordan, but all the men of valor among you shall pass over armed before your brothers and shall help them, ¹⁵ until the LORD gives rest to your brothers as he has to you, and they also take possession of the land that the LORD your God is giving them. Then you shall return to the land of your possession and shall possess it, the land that Moses the servant of the LORD gave you beyond the Jordan toward the sunrise.”



Joshua 1:10-18

¹⁶ And they answered Joshua, “All that you have commanded us we will do, and wherever you send us we will go. ¹⁷ Just as we obeyed Moses in all things, so we will obey you. Only may the LORD your God be with you, as he was with Moses! ¹⁸ Whoever rebels against your commandment and disobeys your words, whatever you command him, shall be put to death. Only be strong and courageous.”



Joshua 1:10-18

The plan

- Give careful thought and consideration to how you will accomplish the next steps
1. Passing on the word *(vs 11)*
 2. Planning the details *(vs 12-15)*
 3. People's response *(vs 16-18)*

The Preparation

- **Resources**
- **Learning**
- **Rest**
- **Time**

The authority and power of God extend past human capacity and intellect. His authority extends past your fears. His power expands beyond your limits, talents, skills, and abilities. His influence, might, authority, and strength stretch beyond your reach and outperform your best attempt. Choose to put your trust in God. Choose to place your hope in God. Choose to lay at His feet. Choose to trust that He is your mighty tower. He is your battle ax. Nothing can defeat Him. He is your fortress. You are safe in Him.

Choose to meditate on His Word. Choose to focus on His promises. Choose to place your hands in His. Choose to trust Him. He is your emotional fortress. He is your physical fortress from danger. He is your financial fortress. He is your strong tower. Put your heart in His hands. Put your life in His hands. He is your true champion. Nothing can be compared to Him. Nothing can defeat Him. No one can outrank Him. He remains undefeated for all of eternity. So give Him your temporary problem. Hide in Him. He is your strong tower. You are safe in Him.

Next steps

1. Where do you need to invest time to prepare for life?
2. What invitation do you need to respond to?