

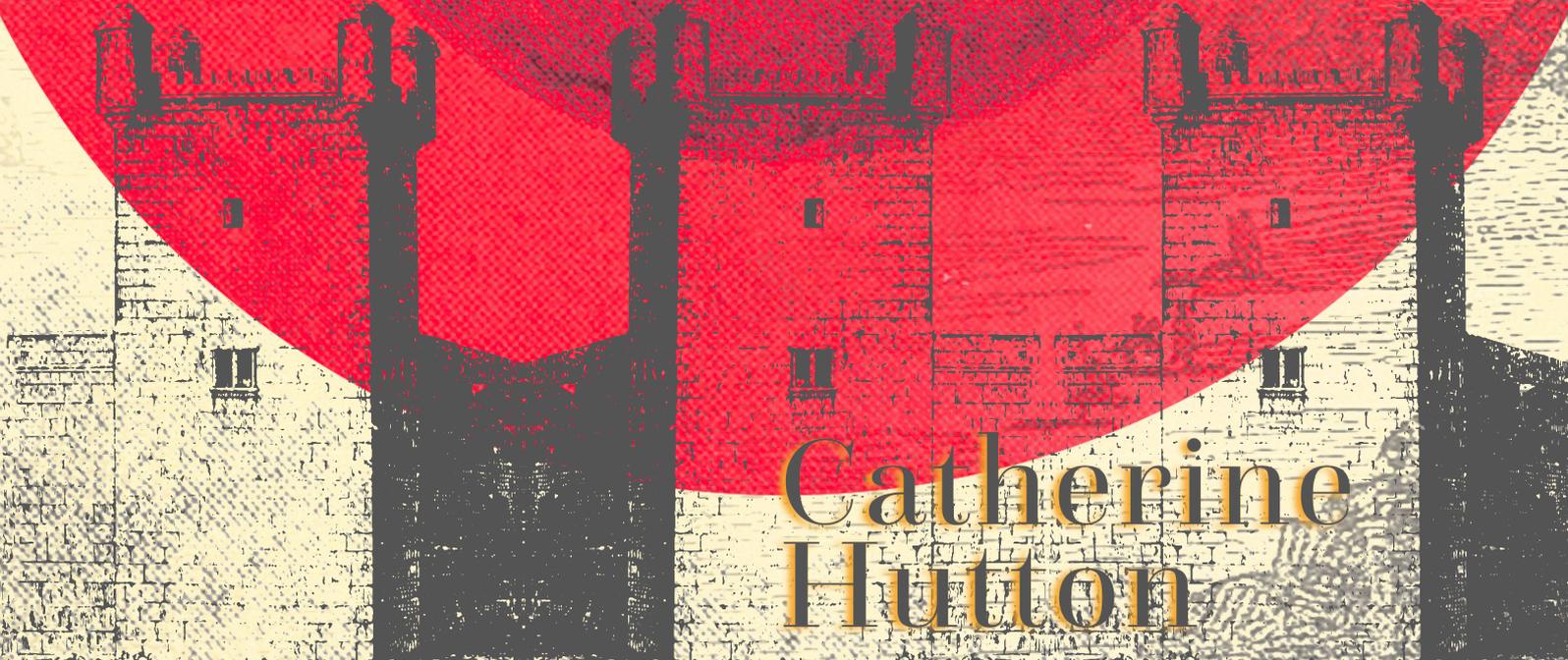


Joshua

PURSuing THE PROMISES OF GOD



DEVOTIONAL STUDIES



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INTRODUCTION to the series...

Joshua: Pursuing the Promises of God

Joshua is one of Israel's great leaders. He is single-minded to follow God's plan and to believe in the power of God to save his people. This can be an important message to today's church: Are we able to see the promise beyond the problem? Can we be confident to go into unknown places or situations - and if so, why?

As we look at Joshua's leadership, we will see how Joshua is courageous and confident. His confidence always comes from his absolute faith in God's almighty power to save his people and accomplish his purposes.

The guiding texts below will give you a snapshot of Joshua's life, experiences and leadership. I have marked the ones* not covered by a study in this guide, although sermons may be found on the Epsom Methodist Church YouTube channel which will cover them all by then of August 2022.

Being Positive*	Numbers 13:2-14:10
Moses' Aide*	Exodus 24:12&13 Exodus 32:15-22
The Leader	Numbers 27:15-22 Deut 34:7-9
Spies Again	Joshua Chapter 2
Crossing the Jordan	Joshua 3:7-17
Remember God	Joshua 8:30-35
The Ark: Jericho	Joshua 5:13-6:5
Worship	Joshua 24:14 & 15

There are prayer-prompts and worship suggestions this series, carefully chosen with you in mind. I bring you this guide after much study, prayer & reflection, hoping and praying that you find it helpful.

Always with love,



Joshua the Leader

To Begin

<https://youtu.be/vZvgQDtgFBg>

Watch this clip or some other of a sheepdog trial challenge.

Talk about some of the potential ups and downs of being a leader.



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Perusing the Word of God

Please read Numbers 27:15-23 and then Deuteronomy 34:7-9 from your own Bible.

As we begin to look at the promises of God, it is well to remind ourselves of the history behind the Exodus of the people of God from Egypt. In Genesis 12:7, we find the promise made by God to Abraham. Charles Price in his commentary put this timing at '*more than 500 years earlier*' than Joshua's story. Page 19.

God had made a promise to Abraham as Abraham sat in the very land that Joshua was looking towards with hope.

Throughout Scripture, timing is very important. God's timing is such that he calls upon leaders to serve him and the people of God who have the skills and knowledge necessary for their situation.

Remind yourself of Moses' background and his rise to leadership.

Now look up and consider Joshua's commitment to God's Promise for Israel.

Using the references below, ponder on Joshua's leadership, presence and faithfulness over the time of the Exodus and under the overall leadership of Moses'.

Charles Price helpfully separates out the references to Joshua; Pages 22 & 23:

1. **Fighting the Amalekites.** *Exodus 17:8-16*
2. **On Mount Sinai.** *Exodus 24:13-31:18*
3. **The golden calf.** *Exodus 32*
4. **In the tent of meeting.** *Exodus 33:11*
5. **Prophecy in the camp.** *Numbers 11:24-30*
6. **Spying out Canaan.** *Numbers 13-14*
7. **Being commissioned as leader.**
Numbers 27:12-22; Deuteronomy 3:28; 31:1-8

When have you experienced the ‘perfect timing’ of a request or a coming together of circumstances?

What were the outcomes? How did this experience make an impact on your faith?

Look at the first verse from our selection; Numbers 27:18 NIV
So the Lord said to Moses, Take Joshua son of Nun, a man in whom is the spirit of leadership, and lay your hand on him.
Moses and Eleazer the priest will ordain and commission Joshua for the Lord’s work. God has called him and will equip him for the task ahead: of leadership in battle and in the establishment of God’s people in the Promised Land.

Look at the key attributes that Joshua brings to leadership and think about why they are important. What other attributes does Joshua bring as a leader and why are these also important? You can use the scriptures identified in this session to help you.

1. God’s authority
2. Strategic Planning
3. Decisive Action
4. Belief in God’s Power
5. Desire to be in God’s presence
6. Long-Term commitment to God’s purposes, whatever happens

It takes a long time for the people of God to enter the land that was promised to Abraham in Genesis 12:7. From the point of the exodus as Pharaoh’s army pursued the people through the Red Sea, it would still take 40 years before the people would settle in the land.

Charles Price contends that;

This background helps us to understand the message of Joshua. It is a record of God getting his people to the place where they were supposed to be - the place where his covenant could be fully implemented - and they in turn would be the source of blessing to the world they were intended to be. The story of Joshua is not a story about God doing something new for his people so much as God getting his people back to where they were always intended to be. P21

The people of God, as a nation, were numerous by this time - something we will see further when they settle the land by dividing it among the tribes. From Abraham being the sole holder of the promise, God had let the people multiply into a nation which could inherit the promise with meaningful influence in the land.

This is another reminder of the importance of God's timing.

Participating in the Promise

We are inheritors of the faith, passed down from generation to generation. This faith is fulfilled in Jesus who is the ultimate "Yes" to all God's promises. The Church is the 'nation of people' who belong to God.

Joshua was faithful to listen to God and to be focussed on the hope that could be found in God's promises. He consistently found himself in the place that God needed him to be.

We all function fully when we live our lives within God. This begins with the assent of our mind to the saving love of God in Jesus and takes root in our hearts, transforming our thinking and way of living. We call this 'salvation'. Worship, prayer, love of God's Holy Word and fellowship with other God-focussed people help us to stay 'rooted and grounded in love'. Ephesians 3:16-19.

Are you in the place where God needs you to be?

Are there any influences around you that are keeping you from being fully focussed on God. Reflect on how God and your friends might help you here.

What are the good influences that you bring to your locality, group, community and church? Are there some unexpected ones?

Pray for your leaders: That they may be eager and willing to hear and respond to God's call and direction as they lead God's people.

Spies Again!

To Begin

If you are in a group, play a simple 'Kim's game'. Put 15-20 random objects on a tray, let everyone stare for 1 minute and then cover it. Either in pairs or individually, see who can remember most items in 1 minute.

If you are on your own, see what bonus things you notice when walking a regular route. How much more do you see when you really pay attention?

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Perusing the Word of God

Please read Joshua chapter 2 in your own Bible.

As Joshua takes up the mantle of leadership from Moses, he is reminded of the commitment and the presence of God to be with both him as the leader and also the whole people of Israel.

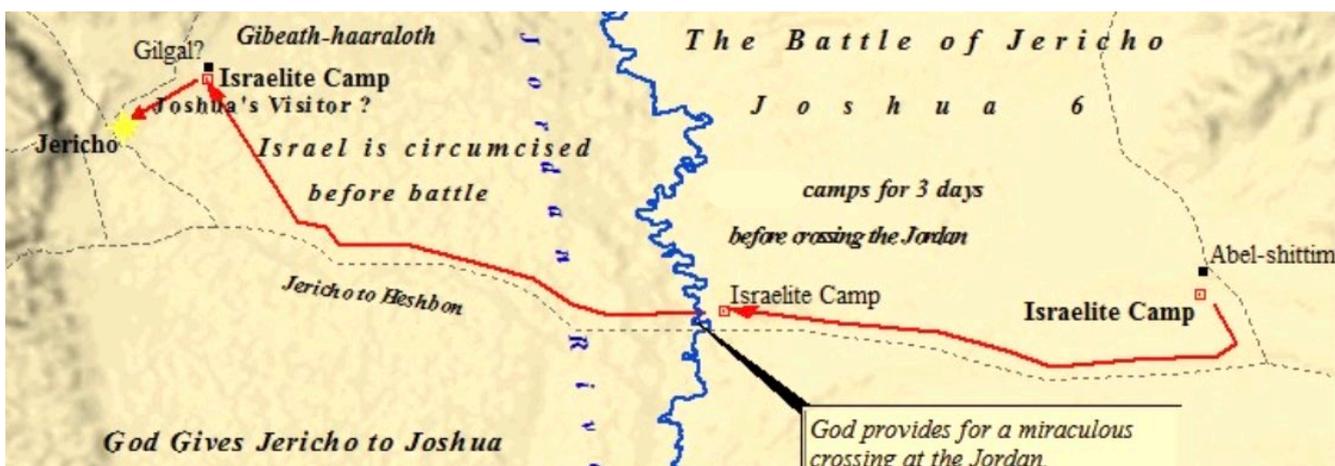
Deuteronomy 31:7-8 NIV

[7] Then Moses summoned Joshua and said to him in the presence of all Israel, "Be strong and courageous, for you must go with this people into the land that the Lord swore to their ancestors to give them, and you must divide it among them as their inheritance. [8] The Lord himself goes before you and will be with you; he will never leave you nor forsake you. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged."

God goes ahead of the people and indeed ahead of Joshua as their leader. This is reminiscent of the pillar of cloud and of fire during the days of wandering in the wilderness.

Look at the words of command and promise for Joshua. See how they contain the history and the instruction for the next phase of God's purpose for them.

Why might Joshua need to be reminded to be 'strong and courageous'?



It will be three days until Joshua leads the people across the Jordan towards Jericho - take a look at the map. It is at this point that we remember that Joshua is a military strategist. It is prudent to learn the nature of the territory. His spies, or 'scouts' are sent ahead to 'look over the land' Joshua 2:1; they are to pay attention to Jericho.

How do you approach preparation? Why is some background work a good idea? Joshua had a specific time frame in mind; how does that help to focus the preparation?

The ally that the spies will meet is found in Rahab. She is known for being a pagan prostitute and for readily welcoming men into her house while keeping their identity secret. She has heard of the mighty God of Israel and their departure from Egypt and is awed to meet some of the people. Perhaps it is her willingness to be drawn into the activity and story of the mysterious God.

When have you encountered unlikely allies when going about God's work? Why have these people stood out?

Rahab will make good on her promise to Joshua's spies. Her courage will be remembered in the Gospel of Matthew;

Matthew 1:5 NIV

[5] Salmon the father of Boaz, whose mother was Rahab, Boaz the father of Obed, whose mother was Ruth, Obed the father of Jesse...

She is also remembered by the author of the letter to the Hebrews; Hebrews 11:31 NIV

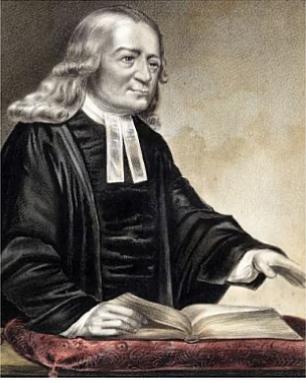
[31] By faith the prostitute Rahab, because she welcomed the spies, was not killed with those who were disobedient.

Rahab is also referred to by James. It is interesting that here her righteousness and her redeemed nature is given more attention than her place in society when she met the spies from Israel;

James 2:24-25 NIV

[24] You see that a person is considered righteous by what they do and not by faith alone. [25] In the same way, was not even Rahab the prostitute considered righteous for what she did when she gave lodging to the spies and sent them off in a different direction?

Reflect on Rahab's place in Jesus' own line of antecedents. She is part of Jesus' family tree. What might this tell us about God's nature? What might it teach us about the mission of God?



John Wesley picked up this principle many years later. He places these statements at the core of the Methodist people's mission and motivation. You can see how they very much echo Rahab's experience; *All need to be saved. All can be saved. All can know that they are saved. All can be saved to the uttermost.*

How is this principle of redemption reflected in the policies and practices of your local church or fellowship?

What might be changed in order that this fundamental of God's mission is at the heart of your church's motivation and priorities?

What role might you offer in seeing this fully enacted where you are living and worshipping?

Participating in the Promise

Joshua, as leader of the people is taking a risk in trusting God to give the city over to Israel. He mitigates that risk by sending two scouts to check the situation. Remember how Joshua had been part of the mission to spy out the land of Canaan many years earlier as a group of 12. See Numbers 13 & 14. Risks are taken by the 2 scouts/spies in their mission and also by Rahab in offering them a safe haven to evade detection by the guard in Joshua 2: 4-7.

The scouts are given extra respect because of God's reputation for the salvation of his people and the destruction of their and God's enemies. Remember - while Egypt allowed Israel to go free, they were left alone but when they attempted to threaten God's plan for salvation they were only then destroyed.

How can you be an active supporter of holy risk taking? What is the alternative to holy risk-taking?

Rahab chooses to be a participator in the salvation of God's people and in the pursuit of the promises that God has ready for those who will closely follow him.

People sometimes talk about "finding out what God is doing and then joining in" as being a way to serve a local community. You could say that this is exactly what Rahab was doing. Her willingness to be involved in the activity of God has had a deep and lasting impact on salvation history.

Pray about the opportunities to join in with God's work at your local church. What markers of God's activity do you notice around you?

Read Joshua 2:23-4 aloud.

Who can you share the stories of God's saving love with this week?

Crossing the Jordan

To Begin

How good are you at following directions? Are you someone who is easily distracted and forgets what they are supposed to be doing? Are you focussed and clear about what is to be done? Share your stories in the group or with a friend over coffee.

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Perusing the Word of God

Please read Joshua 3:7-17 in your own Bible.

If you read around this passage, you will note that there is much preparation by the people in readiness for the historic crossing of the Jordan into the land that God has promised his people since the time of Abraham. Genesis 12:7.

What 'promises' have you been holding onto for many years? *It can be to do with church, family or anything at all.*

Why does Israel need Joshua's belief in God's faithfulness?

What lessons are there here for the contemporary church and for your group or fellowship?

'The Jordan' is more than a river; it has become a symbol of faith in and obedience to God. The people follow Joshua's leadership because they trust that he is listening to and responding to God's direction.

Joshua has been leading for many years, he has been in the background of the activity; now God is counting on his experience and courage to move the people across the Jordan and into the Promised Land.

Why is Godly leadership necessary when moving forward?

Look at the order: God speaks and Joshua listens; verse 7-8. Joshua instructs the priests to act in order that the people will know that God is with them and is trustworthy; verses 9-13. The priests go out ahead of the

Israel Crossed the Jordan on Dry Land



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people and they lead by faith, stepping into the water, trusting that God will make a way; verses 14-16.

What is the role of the spiritual leadership of the people of Israel ?

What is the role of the spiritual leaders of any church?

The river was in flood when God called the priests to step into the Jordan with faith. **Look at verse 15 for the details.** The ark of the covenant is the presence of God which occupies the space before the people ever set foot on the river bed.

Why is it important that God is there first?

In Methodism, we have a doctrine called ‘prevenient grace’. This is the belief that God’s grace is already present and active in our lives before we recognise it as such. Augustine, in exploring the ‘nature of grace’ identified that; *“God’s grace is active in human lives before conversion. Grace ‘goes ahead’ of humanity, preparing the human will for conversion.”* McGrath p 378. God meets people face-on when they step towards him. God has ‘gone before’ his people again and again in The Exodus and now we see it here as the people of God cross the Jordan into the Promised Land.

When have you noticed God at work in your life as you look back? Remember the time when you understood that God is your God who saves. How would you describe this feeling and moment to someone who is interested in knowing more about Christianity?

The final verse of chapter 3, verse 17 is where the instructions, faith and leadership all meet. The water is ‘heaped up’ - which is a lovely poetic phrase in the NIV. The threat of being overwhelmed by the surge is removed by the waters ‘heaping’ well away from the crossing point. I love Doug Johnson’s thinking on this phenomenon;

The God of creation is not hard-pressed to sort out a problem like crossing the River Jordan in full flood. As He made a path through the Red Sea, now He does so with the River Jordan. Exactly how He achieved this, we do not know. Much speculation exists about the possibility of a landslip further upstream – notable examples of this happened in 1276 and 1921 with many other instances often quoted. In many ways, this speculation misses the point. What we do know is that it perfectly suited the need, and the timing was impeccable. God was in control... p140

Is it a surprise to you that God could bring about a Nature miracle to suit the needs of his people?

Note some reasons for your thinking...

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.

Throughout the account of Joshua's leadership of Israel, it is clear that God is the leader of the people. The culture of Israel will pattern God's culture, set in the Covenant promise God made with Abraham and renewed with the giving of the Law at Sinai to Moses. This culture will set Israel apart from the other peoples in the land. Charles Price reminds us that this is very much an account of God's activity;

This is not a record of what Joshua did for God so much as a record of what God did through Joshua. The principles that enable God to work in human experience are demonstrated and taught against the realistic background of conflict, failure and human failing. While teaching the reality of warfare, Joshua reveals the possibility of victory. It teaches us that failure need never lead to despair but may become the springboard to a greater trust and confidence in God... He is telling the story of how ordinary people like you and me may know the victory of God in their lives and circumstances. P19

Why is it important that a leader of God's people actively believes in God's power and willingness to communicate with and save people?

**What stands out for you from this account of crossing the Jordan?
Why do these things matter to you?**

Participating in the Promise

The people of God knew that God had saved them. They had powerful eye-witness accounts to share of that power at work. These events will inspire them when times become difficult or when fresh threats emerge.

What are the personal accounts of God's activity that galvanise you in difficult times, when the threat seems larger than the presence and power of God?

In Acts, we see a similar following of leaders who are called by God and who follow God's direction. Richard Hess reminds us that; "Their experience of God's power and the respect and witness that they enjoyed (Acts 5:12-16) mirror the fear of the nations before Israel (Josh 2:24;5:1) who miraculously crossed the Jordan. It also challenges the church today to learn the lessons of faith in Christ and of faithfulness to his Word."
Pp116-117

Ponder on these things and commit to pray and seek God in your life and in the ministry of your local church and your group.

Pray for your church's minister/pastor in their spiritual leadership. 12

The Ark & Jericho

To Begin

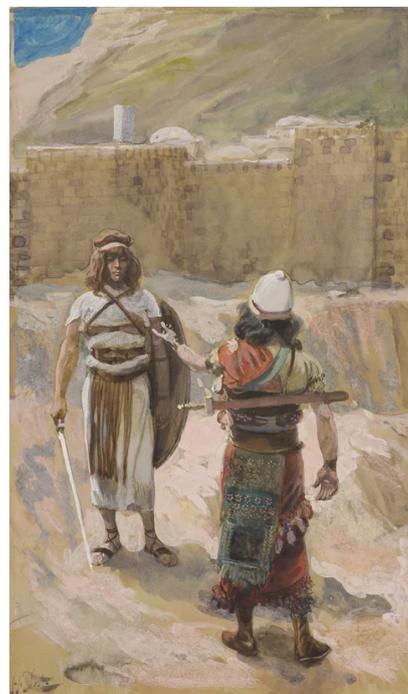
Can you read a map? Can you follow instructions to assemble a piece of furniture or child's toy? Can you successfully work out the pictures to build a LEGO set? Are you able to cook by following a specific recipe for a complex dinner? Has anyone ever made you play a hugely complicated board game with a thick instruction book? Share your stories with your group or a friend over coffee.

Pause to Pray and Worship see page 18

Perusing the Word of God

Please read Joshua 5:13-6:5 in your own Bible.

The picture is by the French artist James Jacques Joseph Tissot (1836-1902) and is held in the Jewish Museum. It references 5:13 where Joshua is met by 'the commander of the army of the Lord' verse 14. Remember how we looked at 'prevenient grace' in the previous study? Here, we have another example of God's gracious preparation for the arrival of his people.



Remind yourself of the interaction between Joshua and the 'commander'. What do we learn about God from this interaction?

What might we expect to happen when we are stepping up to do something for God that is likely to meet with some resistance?

At the conclusion of Chapter 5, Joshua is commanded to 'take off his shoes'. This reminds us of the holy moment when Moses met God in the burning bush at Horeb in Exodus 3. We note the continuity of God's holiness and his leaders' response to the holiness of God. Charles Price suggests that;

He had earlier asked Moses to take off his shoes for a similar reason. Although it was God who would bring Israel out of Egypt, Moses would be his instrument in the process. It would be God in Moses' shoes. Now, as with Moses earlier, he asks Joshua for the surrender of his shoes for although it is God who will take Jericho and give them Canaan, Joshua will be his instrument – God will do it in Joshua's shoes. P 67

Consider the possibility of the importance to God of your feet, or your mode of transport and then pray a prayer ‘giving them over to God’s particular use’.

Look up other places in the scriptures which refer to feet and their value. Note them below.

The preparation for the battle is in surrendering to the promise that the ‘Lord your God will be with you wherever you go’ See Joshua 1:9. In preparing for an event or a project, it is possible to become so consumed by getting everything ready, that we forget that God, going before us has already accomplished it.

This makes sense of Joshua 6:2. There does not appear to be a victory at this point, but God is going to show Joshua how to lead Israel into it.

The marching army is led by the armed guard who protect the priests with trumpets and then more priests carrying the ark of the covenant. This is important as it places God in front of Israel, just as he went in front of them through the wilderness.

Look at verses 3-5. Ponder on the nature of the ‘battle’.

What is God doing?

How will this ritual encourage Israel and discourage Jericho’s king and fighting men?

We remember that Rahab spoke of the reputation of Israel’s God and the consequent fear in which the inhabitants of Jericho held Israel. Jericho is battered down as the people of Jericho, including their warriors, shiver fearfully inside the walls –which are the last remaining obstacle to Joshua and Israel.

The nature of God’s approach for Israel is significant in its symbolism. The battle is an ordered procession. You will notice the references to rams horns. There is a shout. The ceremonial procession or marching will be over 7 days. (Hess pages 142-3) God is powerful and mighty.

It will be a spiritual victory which will come first, after which the military victory will be enacted.

Consider the role of worship and prayer in the activity of your local church or fellowship.

Why will it be necessary for the spiritual victory to first be achieved in all of God's works?

Discuss the benefits of a spiritual victory.

Who will be the recipients of the benefit?

Participating in the Promise

This strategic spiritual and military victory at Jericho is of immense significance as we look at the way that God's promise is unwrapped for this new generation of Israel's faithful followers.

I find it hugely exciting for our current Covid-conscious society to remember that God is still the God of promises. That he still makes a way when everything seems impossible. It is still more exciting that God always goes in front of his people, and when we faithfully follow, we see the opportunities to share good news, talk about Jesus and speak of the love of God for all the world.

Talk about the significance and struggle that not having the freedom to sing out loudly in worship together has made on the life of the church during the Covid restrictions.

For many Methodist and other free church people, singing out and loudly is the equivalent of the trumpet calls. It declares 'the people of God are here and we mean business'!

Mull over the use of the Lord's Prayer and the many times we say 'Amen' in prayers, in agreement to the worship leader's words.

This is our 'shout of agreement'. We sing, we say Amen – and even occasionally and from my point of view, wonderfully – the congregation members respond with shouts of Amen in the sermon or message preached.

Where are you seeing God going ahead of a willing leader and people today? Offer some prayers around these opportunities.

The collapse of the walls which are Jericho's last defence against God is promised to the processing people. They have an end-game to work towards. **Why is it helpful for people to have a defined outcome to their prayers and obedience. Do you have examples of this in your life or the life of your church that you can share with others? Tell your stories and ask other people to share their stories with you. Pray together.**

Worship

To Begin

Where is your focus? How does your focus influence your decisions and choices? Try to have some giggles about this...



Pause to Pray and Worship

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Perusing the Word of God

Please read Joshua 24:14-15 in your own Bible.

Sometimes, along the way, people pick up bits and pieces that distract from God's direction. The people of Israel have been in the land for a good while by Joshua 24. In this Chapter, Joshua reminds the people of their history and repeats the significant events of God's faithfulness and care over the people of Israel. They are to be challenged to put down the ungodly things that they have accumulated.

Their lip-service to God is challenged as they are required to put down and walk away from the ungodly practises that they have picked up as they have been immersed in local culture. Charles Price (P 177) finds echoes of this in Deuteronomy 10:12-13;

And now, O Israel, what does the Lord ask of you, but to fear the Lord your God, to walk in all His ways, to love Him with all your heart and with all your soul, and to observe the Lord's commands and decrees that I am giving you today for your own good.

In your Bible, it may be that 'renewing the covenant' is given as a subheading. God made a covenant with Noah which was symbolised by the rainbow. God made a covenant with Abraham which was symbolised by the promise of Isaac (Genesis 17:21) and the provision of the ram on Mount Moriah (Genesis 22:14). The covenant was confirmed to Moses (Exodus 24). In Joshua 24, Joshua addresses the people he has led and reminds them of the awesome and fearful nature of their relationship with The Lord God Almighty.

Remind yourself of the saving acts that God has brought about for his people since their time in Egypt up to this point. What do they have in common?

What do you learn about God's character from these accounts?

Joshua has called a gathering of the leaders of Israel's people who populate the land. Richard Hess observes that;

The address of chapter 23 did not end Joshua's relationship with Israel. Something had to be done in order to make concrete the vision that Joshua had for the people he had served. Joshua 24 relates the ratification of God's covenant. As in a treaty ceremony, the whole nation (or its legal representatives) gather before their Lord to make the agreement. As in Joshua 8:30-35, Shechem is the place of covenant-making. P 330

Now that the people of Israel are settling the land, it is time to make some definite commitments. While travelling, it has been a time of activity and drama. In less active times, reverting to old customs can easily happen. Verse 14 emphasises the seriousness of God's commitment to Israel and requires certain actions from the people.

Look at verse 14 in our scripture selection: 'Fear the Lord'. Why is this the first part of the covenant agreement? What good reasons do the people have to honour this command?

'Serving God in all faithfulness' is the next clause of the agreement. It requires integrity and honour. What would this have meant then. What might it mean for you today?

'Throw away the gods your ancestors worshipped beyond the River and in Egypt'.

Why is this necessary for faithful living?

This is a very active requirement. It is not 'put them into storage' or even 'give them away'; it is utter disposal and rejection of any value they hold. 'Beyond the river' refers to the ancient roots of the Israelite people; "This is the Euphrates River and refers to the original homeland of Abram's ancestors." Hess p332.

The reference to Egypt is to remind them to reject the gods and values of the people who enslaved them, denying their freedom for 400 years. This all speaks of being a new people, with a new identity in a new land.

How might this remind the Christian of their old identity and their new identity in Christ? What requirements come with the new life of faithfully serving God?

The covenant refers to 'serve' 5-6 times in verses 14-15. What has this to do with the attitude of the people's hearts? Whom do you serve?

Participating in the Promise

Joshua's statement in verse 15; "as for me and my household, we will serve the Lord" shows the state of his heart and his willingness to be publicly held to account for his commitment. His focus is on God. This has been the nature of his leadership and his adventures on the way to and in the Promised Land.

Look at this selection from Romans 12 NIV

[1] Therefore, I urge you, brothers and sisters, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God---this is your true and proper worship. [2] Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is---his good, pleasing and perfect will.

Service and worship are closely linked. The focus of the person's life is on God so all that they do will be to honour God in the focus of their prayers and songs of praise and also the works of their hands.

Talk about this and why throwing off all that is not holy and godly makes a difference to the faithfulness of God's people then and now.

Pray and talk about how you can effectively serve the Lord as a demonstration of your commitment to love and follow Jesus.

Pray & Praise

Read aloud God's promise to Joshua: Joshua 1:6-9 NIV

[6] Be strong and courageous, because you will lead these people to inherit the land I swore to their ancestors to give them. [7] "Be strong and very courageous. Be careful to obey all the law my servant Moses gave you; do not turn from it to the right or to the left, that you may be successful wherever you go. [8] Keep this Book of the Law always on your lips; meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do everything written in it. Then you will be prosperous and successful. [9] Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go."

Faithful God, grant to me the gift of being a faithful follower.

Bless me with the power of your holy presence

That I might serve and worship you,

**That I might be courageous to step into
the promises that you have prepared for your people.**

**Faithful God, grant grace and an adventurous spirit
to those whom you call to lead your people, that they might be attentive
and ready to honour you in their faithful service.**

In Jesus' precious Name we pray. Amen.

Songs to help you to worship...

<i>Faithful God</i>	Brian Dørksen
<i>Great is Thy Faithfulness</i>	
<i>God of Angel Armies</i>	Chris Tomlin
<i>Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty</i>	
<i>Jesus, be the Centre</i>	Michael Frye
<i>Water you turned into Wine (Our God is Greater)</i>	Tomlin, Reeves, Myrin, Redman
<i>This, This is the God we Adore</i>	
<i>How Great is our God</i>	Tomlin, Cash, Reeves
<i>Love Divine, all Loves Excelling</i>	

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