# WORSHIP

**Uncharted** Joshua's Preparation Introduction to Joshua

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Joshua spent his whole life in preparation for something that would happen at age 80. List some of the lessons he learned along the way.

## Two simple questions:

- 1. Do you believe that God has prepared good works for you to do?
- 2. Are you embracing the ways that God is preparing you right now?

**NEXT WEEK:** Uncharted: Joshua 1:1-18

# GET PLUGGED IN







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## SMALL GROUP GUIDE

### 1. WELCOME

If anyone has had a significant event in their life this past week, give them a minute to share with the group. If necessary, take some time to pray for any immediate needs right at the beginning of the meeting.

## 2. VISION/PURPOSE

Part of a Relational Environment is having a depth of transparency with each other. How does transparency help build relationships and help us grow spiritually?

3. SMALL GROUP GUIDELINES

Review guidelines (Use "I" Statements, No Fixing, Confidentiality, Listening) that cultivate a healthy environment for sharing and discussion.

### 4. OPENING PRAYER

## 5. READ SCRIPTURE PASSAGE/TELL BIBLE STORY PASSAGE

### 6. DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Use a good mix of Head (informational/study) questions, Heart (personal reflection) questions, and Hand (practical application) questions. Below are questions your group can pick from to follow along with the sermon series.

## 7. PERSONAL SHARING AND PRAYER REQUESTS

You can share and pray in one group, in smaller groups, or in gender specific groups. Make sure that phone numbers are shared so that encouragement and connection can happen during the week.

## **QUESTIONS**

**WARM UP:** Is there anything that you are preparing for right now? [Joshua spent 40 years preparing to lead Israel. Let's take a look at some of the lessons he learned along the way.]

**HEAD:** These questions help us examine the Word.

- 1. Read Numbers 14:6–10; Exodus 33:11; and Joshua 11:15. What are some of the lessons that Joshua learned during his time of preparation?
- 2. Read Ephesians 2:8-10. How does this change your view of preparation?

**HEART:** These questions help us wrestle with what we believe.

3. How do you think God might be preparing you right now? What lessons have you learned recently?

**HAND:** These questions help us bring truth and beliefs into our everyday life.

4. What are some of the good works God has prepared for you to do right now?

**BONUS:** Consider having each group take time to write down a few key lessons they have learned through different experiences in their life. Each week for the next few weeks, have a group members share some of these lessons at the beginning of your group.