

# WORSHIP

## Uncharted Decisions | Joshua 9

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### How to “seek the Lord’s decision” (Joshua 9:14):

1. Go to God’s Word.

Regarding this decision:

- Is there an obvious command?
- Is it wise for me personally?
- How will it affect others?

2. Go to godly counselors.

3. Go to God in prayer.

**God is bigger than our decisions.**

NEXT WEEK: Joshua chapters 10-22

### 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

How is everyone in the group doing? Are there any needs that we can accommodate? Is there anyone that we need to follow up with or check in on?

## 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:** Looking back, what is one seemingly minor decision that greatly affected the trajectory of your life? [Today we are going to see how God’s people didn’t consult Him in their decisions.]

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

1. Read Joshua 9:1-26. What stands out to you from the sermon or from your own study?
2. What could have happened to God’s people in this passage (worst case scenario)? What actually happened? What does this tell us about our own decisions?

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

3. Pastor Peter gave some Biblical teaching on making decisions in light of God’s Word, godly counsel, and prayer. How does this compare to how you have typically made important decisions?
4. Does anyone have an example of a time in your life when God worked in spite of your bad decision?

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

5. Are there any decisions that you are working through right now? How can the group to join you in prayer for God’s leading and direction? [Spend time praying for these group members.]