



**Title: Heart Check: Don't Have A Troubled Heart**

**Scripture: Deut. 31:1-7**

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**Bible Version: NKJV**

**BOTTOM LINE: The best cure for a troubled heart is to be in community with God and His people.**

**Vs. 1**

**Then Moses went and spoke these words** - Moses began the transition of leadership from himself to Joshua. Moses would not step foot into the promised land.

**Vs. 2**

**The Lord has said to me** - Moses was 120 years old however it was not his age that would prevent him from going into the promised land, it was the Lord's will. It should be noted that Joshua was approximately 80 years old and he had spend time under the leadership of Moses prior to this transition.

**You shall not cross over the Jordan** - The Word tells us that Moses (alone) would not cross the Jordan.

**Vs. 3**

**God Himself crosses over before you** - The scripture provides an incredible detail on how God would lead them. He would cross over before them.

**Whatever trouble your heart faces, know that God goes before you.**

*Moses had led Israel for 40 years; he was the only leader most of these people had ever known. Yet the nation could be confident, and Moses could go his way in peace because He knew God was with Israel.- Guzik*

**Vs. 4**

**He destroyed them** - Moses reminds Joshua to keep following the Lord. Their enemies were no match for the Lord.

**Vs. 5**

**Which I have commanded you-** Even though Moses would not be there, Joshua could rest assured that God's commands would come to him. Moses reminds them to keep following the Lord's command.

**When change comes to our lives, we can begin to believe that God is no longer there and we can lose focus on His commands to us.**

*God has shown you His faithfulness in the past, that you might have peace about the future. - Courson*

**Vs. 6**

**Three things we need to remember when life becomes difficult:**

1. **Be strong and of good courage** - They were reminded to take courage in the Lord. We are reminded to be of good courage.
2. **Do not fear nor be afraid** - The nation of Israel would go forward without Moses. We are reminded not to be afraid.
3. **He will not leave you nor forsake you-** They were reminded that He would not leave them nor forsake them. We are reminded that God will not leave or forsake us.

**When change comes, we can't throw our trust of the Lord out the window.**

*Moses was a great man; one of the greatest to ever walk this earth. But Moses was not irreplaceable. - Guzik*

**When things change in our lives we have to remember that God knows what He is doing and that we can trust God and find security in the community He has placed us in.**

**Vs. 7**

**You must go** - Moses then passes the torch of leadership.

**Joshua had call of God and was to lead His people into the promised land.**

**Regardless of their circumstance, they still trusted God and were comforted by their community.**

*If God is present, fear is baseless. - Mears*



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# 3D Guide

**DO.**

**BOTTOM LINE: The best cure for a troubled heart is to be in community with God and His people.**



1. What does this study reveal to you about God?
2. What does this study reveal to you about yourself?
3. Based on this, what changes do you need to make?
4. What is your prayer for today?



**DISCUSS.**

1. Have you have ever had to deal with major change in your life? How did you handle it?
2. What wisdom can we use from this block of scripture to help us navigate the next change in our life?
3. Do you find it easy to walk in the confidence of where God had called or is calling you?
4. How might you handle future change differently if you knew you had a community of believers to support you?

**DO.**



Anytime you read God's word you have to put things into perspective. You also have to realize that the terms, not words, have meanings. As a group re-read the scriptures that was studied. Try a the Amplified Version and compare that to the NJKV, NIV, ESV, or NASB. Pick a few words and have a group member look that word up on [blueletterbible.com](http://blueletterbible.com) or with their app.

# Parents & Kids

TAKE **HOME**

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## **Bible Story: Philip and the Man From Ethiopia (Acts 8:26-40)**

1. The Great Commission is God's command that we should go forth and make disciples of all the nations. People called missionaries take the good news of the gospel all over the world to people who have never heard of Jesus. They go to remote places like jungles and sometimes even risk their lives by taking God's word to places where the Bible is forbidden. But do you have to be a missionary in order to share Jesus with others? (No, anyone who knows Jesus can and should share about him!)
2. Even as kids we have the power to reach others for Christ simply by sharing what we know and by being kind to others. You don't even have to travel to a far away place! There are people in your neighborhood and school who don't know anything about God's amazing love and it is our job to teach them! What are some ways you can tell others about Jesus?
3. Can you think of anybody that God has put in your life that you can pray for and have a conversation about Jesus with? Even if you can't think of anyone right now, pray that God would lay it on your heart to know who you should share about God's great love with!
4. Today in class we learned about a man named Phillip who wasn't afraid to share the gospel. Because he was willing to share Jesus with a stranger, the man was saved! As Pastor Billy always says, "an invite can change a life." Think about a friend that you could invite to church. Do you believe that God could use you to bring others to Him? It is our job to try and God calls all of us to be missionaries even in our own communities!

**Memory Verse:** "Be good to me, your servant, so that I may live to obey your word. Open my eyes so that I can see all of the wonderful things in your teachings." (Psalm 119:17-18)

