



Managing The Shifting Season

Joshua 1:1-19

Seasons

- **Season** - each of the four divisions of the year (winter, spring, summer, autumn) marked by particular weather patterns and daylight hours, resulting from the earth's changing position with regard to the sun.
- **Failure to effectively communicate and strategize during a transition or shifting season will lead to greater hardship.**



Seasons Bring Change

- **Joshua 1:2** - “Moses My servant is dead...” - **Change will always be a part of life.**
- Joshua was encouraged by the Lord to “arise”
- **Arise** - *qûm* - to stand (change position) or to be established
- Within these five letters, **ARISE**, the Lord reiterates a divine promise given to Moses.
- **In every shifting season...God’s promises will remain!**





Be Strong and Courageous

- The words, “**strong**” and “**courageous**” can have the same definition:
- **Strong** - *hazaq* - to strengthen; to prevail; to hold firm
- **Courageous** - *ames* - to strengthen or secure; to harden; to hold firm
- It is almost as if the Lord repeated this idea to Joshua to provide emphasis on the importance of holding on.



Be Strong and Courageous (*repeated three times)

- **1st time (verse 6) - Courage and strength to believe in the fulfillment of divine promise;**
- **2nd time (verse 7,8) - Courage and strength to obey God's Word**
- **3rd time (verse 9) - Courage and strength to trust in God's presence.**