



## Life Group Questions

### Joshua: “Strong and Courageous”

Week 1: Joshua 1:1-18 | June 4, 2023

1. Who comes to mind when you hear the word “strong?” Who comes to mind when you hear the word “courageous?” Why? What about them makes them strong and courageous in your mind?
2. Spend time as a group reflecting on the 5 themes introduced for the book of Joshua. Which of them immediately stick out to you? Why? Which of them do you need reminding of? Do any of them cause concern or reveal anxiety?
  - a. **God is faithful to fulfill all his promises.**
  - b. **God’s presence with his people is their source of strength and courage.**
  - c. **The word of God is vital for the people of God.**
  - d. **True leaders trust God.**
  - e. **Disciple-making is the call of every generation.**
3. Re-read v. 3. God is sovereignly giving the land to Israel, yet they still have a role to play. They still have to trust God with their feet. Share about a recent time when God led you to step out in faith? *Leader Tip: Don’t discount “small” steps of faith here. They don’t have to be momentous steps. Spiritual growth at any level should always be celebrated!*
4. Why do you think God goes to such great lengths to remind Israel of his presence with them? How should this practically encourage us in our faith today?
5. In what areas of life do you feel Christians today need to grow in what it means to be strong and courageous? What should that practically look like?
6. In what areas of life do you feel *you* need to grow in what it means to be strong and courageous? What should that practically look like?
7. Re-read v.7-8. If the word of God is *vital* for the people of God, what does your current level of engagement with the Bible look like? How many days/week? What are you reading/learning/discovering? If you’re not where you’d like to be, what would it look like to take your right next step toward that this week?
8. If you’ve been practicing the declaration we closed with on Sunday, how has it been going? Reminder for the group: we were encouraged to start each day with this simple sentence: **The promise-keeping God is always with me so I will be strong and courageous.**

PRAY together