

## Sermon Notes

**Big Idea:** When the people of God courageously follow the plan of God, they begin to walk in the fullness of His promises. This truth is illustrated most powerfully in the book of Joshua, as this 'next-up' leader prepares God's people to step into and occupy the Promised Land after 40 years of wandering. Are you ready to step into your promised life? It's time to take new ground!

### Take New Ground:

- **Identify your next, right step.**
- **Prayerfully make a plan.**
- **Share that plan with others.**
- **Courageously move forward.**

Joshua 23:1-13 (ESV) Joshua 24:14-18 (ESV)

### Three ways to Serve/Worship the Lord:

- **Your Time**
- **Your Talents**
- **Your Treasure**

**Devotion to Jesus is the place where the human heart is most satisfied.**

## Discussion Questions

- 1) What impacted you the most from this week's message? Encouraged you? Challenged you?
- 2) When it comes to *Taking New Ground* in your life, are you able to identify the area that God is calling you to take your next, right step? Explain.
- 3) Read Joshua 23:11-13. How would you explain to someone what it means to "*Be very careful to love your God?*" Have you ever experienced compromise in your love for God, that lead to lingering consequences? Explain.
- 4) Read Joshua 24:14-15. What's your response to, "*choose this day whom you will serve?*" How are you doing at serving/worshiping the Lord with your Time, your Talents, and your Treasure?
- 5) Do you agree that *Devotion to Jesus is the place where the human heart is most satisfied?* Explain. What's it like for you to experience that kind of satisfaction?