

Joshua Lesson 2 (Joshua 1)

Encouragement from God's Commission (1:1–2)

- Leadership changes, but God's work _____.
- Joshua chosen to lead Israel into new challenges.
- A wise leader honors the _____ but builds toward the future.
- Joshua learned ministry from Moses: Servant before leader.

Encouragement from God's Promises (1:3–6)

- Promise of the Land
- Promise of Victory
- Promise of Inheritance
- "God's people live on _____ and not on explanations." – Wiersbe
- Promises are _____, not pillows.
- God's presence = our _____.

Encouragement from God's Written Word (1:7–8)

- Strength and courage flow from God's Word.
- Joshua's charge: meditate, believe, obey.
- Not enough to guard the Law — Joshua must read it daily.
- True prosperity ≠ _____ gain.
- "In whatever man does without God, he must fail miserably, or succeed more miserably." – George MacDonald
- Questions to ask: Did we obey God's will? Were we empowered by the Spirit? Did we serve for His glory?

Encouragement from God's Command (1:9)

- God's commandments are also God's _____.

- Obedience by faith unlocks His power.
- Joshua's strength: Facing enemies → recall divine commission.
Facing discouragement → recall God's command.

The Leader Encourages the Officers (1:10–15)

- Joshua communicated God's orders through the chain of command.
- At Kadesh Barnea, Israel knew God's will but refused to obey → 40 years wandering.
- Joshua trusted God for a miracle but still prepared necessities.
- Joshua's words of faith: "You shall pass over!" "You shall possess the land!" "The Lord will give it to you!"

The Officers Encourage Their Leader (1:16–18)

- They assured Joshua of their obedience.
- "I find the doing of the will of God leaves me no time for disputing about His plans." – George MacDonald
- They encouraged Joshua through prayer.
- Their obedience was a matter of _____ or _____.
- They reminded Joshua of the Word: "Be strong and of good courage."

Answer Key

Encouragement from God's Commission

- continues
- past

Encouragement from God's Promises

- promises
- prods
- courage

Encouragement from God's Written Word

- worldly

Encouragement from God's Command

- enablements
- commission / command

The Officers Encourage Their Leader

- life / death