

Buying into the Mission

Num. 11:28a "Joshua son of Nun, who had been Moses' aide since youth...."

M'sharet

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- "to minister, to serve as an attendant, to wait upon someone as a squire waits on a knight."
 - believes passionately in the leader's mission
 - assists the leader by completing menial tasks

Ex. 17:9-10a "Moses said to Joshua, 'Choose some of our men and go out to fight the Amalekites. Tomorrow I will stand on top of the hill with the staff of God in my hands.' So Joshua fought the Amalekites as Moses had ordered."

Ex. 24:13 "Then Moses set out with Joshua his aide, and Moses went up on the mountain of God."

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Ex. 24:12-13 "The Lord said to Moses, 'Come up to me on the mountain and stay here, and I will give you the tablets of stone, with the law and commands I have written for their instruction. Then Moses set out with Joshua his aide, and Moses went up on the mountain of God."

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Deut. 1:38 "your assistant, Joshua son of Nun, will enter it. Encourage him, because he will lead Israel to inherit it."

Jos. 1:1-3, 5 "After the death of Moses the servant of the Lord, the Lord said to Joshua son of Nun, Moses' aide: 'Moses my servant is dead. Now then, you and all these people, get ready to cross the Jordan River into the land I am about to give to them--to the Israelites. I will give you every place where you set your foot, as I promised Moses....No one will be able to stand up against you all the days of your life. As I was with Moses, so I will be with you; I will never leave you nor forsake you."

Being Bought in Requires...

1. BUYING INTO TRAINING

- being positioned to hear God

- being prepared by the mundane
- being aware that no trial is wasted

2. BUYING INTO OBEDIENCE

- being positioned to say YES to what we hear (Shema)

Joshua 5:13-15

“When Joshua was near the town of Jericho, he looked up and saw a man standing in front of him with sword in hand. Joshua went up to him and demanded, ‘Are you friend or foe?’ ‘Neither one’, he replied. ‘I am the commander of the Lord’s army.’

At this, Joshua fell with his face to the ground in reverence. ‘I am at your command,” Joshua said. ‘What do you want your servant to do?’”

BUYING INTO OBEDIENCE

- being obedient to leaders

Being Bought in Requires...

3. BUYING INTO LEADERSHIP

- being disciple-makers
- being bold with our God-given testimony

Matthew 28:19 - Go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of Father, Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

What is one way God is calling you to be bought into His mission?