

Joshua 1:6–10

1: Courage Comes from God’s Promise

This land was promised long before Joshua carried responsibility for it.

- [Genesis 12:7](#) – God promised the land to Abraham
- [Genesis 15:18](#) – God formally covenanted it
- [Exodus 6:8](#) – God reaffirmed it to Israel in Egypt

[Numbers 23:19](#) “19 “God is not a man, that He should lie, Nor a son of man, that He should repent; Has He said, and will He not do it? Or has He spoken, and will He not make it good?”

[Hebrews 10:23](#) – “Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for He who promised is faithful.”

2: Courage Is Sustained by God’s Word

God’s Word is not optional guidance—it is essential fuel.

[Deuteronomy 5:32–33](#) “32 “So you shall observe to do just as the Lord your God has commanded you; you shall not turn aside to the right or to the left. 33 You shall walk in all the way which the Lord your God has commanded you, that you may live and that it may be well with you, and that you may prolong your days in the land which you will possess.”

[Psalm 1:1–3](#) “1 How blessed is the man who does not walk in the counsel of the wicked, Nor stand in the path of sinners, Nor sit in the seat of scoffers! 2 But his delight is in the law of the Lord, And in His law he meditates day and night. 3 He will be like a tree firmly planted by streams

of water, Which yields its fruit in its season And its leaf does not wither; And in whatever he does, he prospers.”

[Psalm 119:105](#) – “Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path.”

[James 1:22](#) “22 But prove yourselves doers of the word, and not merely hearers who delude themselves.”

3: Courage Grows from God’s Presence

[Deuteronomy 31:6](#) “6 Be strong and courageous, do not be afraid or tremble at them, for the Lord your God is the one who goes with you. He will not fail you or forsake you.””

[Psalm 46:1](#) – “God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.”

[Isaiah 41:10](#) “10 ‘Do not fear, for I am with you; Do not anxiously look about you, for I am your God. I will strengthen you, surely I will help you, Surely I will uphold you with My righteous right hand.’”

[Matthew 28:20](#) “20 teaching them to observe all that I commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age.””

4: Courage To Move Others to Obedience

[James 2:17](#) “17 Even so faith, if it has no works, is dead, being by itself.”

[Hebrews 11:8](#) “8 By faith Abraham, when he was called, obeyed by going out to a place which he was to receive for an inheritance; and he went out, not knowing where he was going.”

[Luke 11:28](#) “28 But He said, “On the contrary, blessed are those who hear the word of God and observe it.””

[2 Corinthians 6:2](#) “2 for He says, “At the acceptable time I listened to you, And on the day of salvation I helped you.” Behold, now is “the acceptable time,” behold, now is “the day of salvation”—”

Final Reflection Questions

1. Where is God calling you to step forward?
2. Is your courage rooted in God’s Word or your circumstances?
3. What step of obedience is God asking of you now?