

COURAGEOUS CROSSINGS

LESSONS FROM THE LIFE OF JOSHUA

Sermon Series: Courageous Crossings: Lessons from the Life of Joshua

Let's Go

Joshua 3:1-17

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Joshua 1:9, "Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go."

Sermon Title: "Let's Go!"

Truth for Today:

- Following God means letting him lead without a roadmap.
- The obstacles in front of you are no match for the God who goes before you.
- Getting unstuck requires stepping out in faith before you have all the facts.

Bottom Line:

You don't have to see the whole path before taking the next step.

God doesn't ask you to figure it all out. He invites you to follow him. (Joshua 3:1-4)

The distinguishing mark of the people of God is the presence of God.

Exodus 33:15, "If Your Presence does not go with us," Moses replied, "do not lead us up from here."

Jesus said, “Follow me” 21 times in the New Testament.

A prayer of surrender: “God, if you’re not in it, I don’t want it.”

II. Preparation turns obstacles into opportunities. (Joshua 3:5)

Opportunity + Preparation = Success

Joshua 3:15, “Now the Jordan is at flood stage all during harvest...”

Crossing the Jordan River at flood stage represents:

- Walking by faith, not by sight. (2 Corinthians 5:7)
- Obeying God when the outcome is not obvious. (Hebrews 11:8)
- Trusting God’s timing over your own thinking. (Proverbs 3:5-6)

III. Faith moves our feet. (Joshua 3:6,13-17)

“If you’re going to walk on water, you’ve got to be willing to get wet.”

James 2:17, “Faith by itself, if it is not accompanied by action, is dead.”

Courage doesn’t wait for clarity. It acts in the face of uncertainty.

Reflection:

- Where in my life am I waiting for certainty instead of stepping out in courage
- Am I allowing God to prepare me for His purposes?
- What step of faith is God asking me to take in my life today?

Application:

- Ask God to go before you in every major decision in your life.
- Practice daily surrender so you’re ready to go whenever and wherever He calls you.
- Choose faith over fear during the “flood stage” moments in your life.

