

The book of Joshua
Lesson Two
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A. Read Joshua 1-9

1. Verse# 3,4, and 5 This promise that God gave them was unconditional, but the possession of the land was conditional. The conditions are in verse 7,8, and 9. God gives them the land but the possession of it and enjoyment of it, depends on their obedience of verses 7,8,9. What are the requirements listed in the verses?
2. There are other conditional and unconditional promises in the bible, for believers. (Isaiah 1:19 If you are willing and obedient, you shall eat the good of the land. Romans 5:8 But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. (Unconditional)
3. Why do you think God tells Joshua 4 times in the 1st chapter only be strong and courageous. Merriam Webster's dictionary defines courage as: Mental or moral strength to venture, persevere, and withstand danger, fear, or difficulty.
4. We get our mental or/and moral strength from the word of God and it with stands danger, fear, and difficulty. That's why God told Joshua to meditate on the book of the law, which is the word of God, day and night. He also told him to speak the word. (Verse 8 This Book of the Law shall not depart from your mouth. Also, to do the word. Meditate the word, Speak the word, do the word. Meditate in the Hebrew is Haga. It means to moan, growl, utter, muse, mutter, devise, plot, speak. Webster 1828 dictionary definition is: To dwell on anything in thought to contemplate; to study; to turn or revolve any subject in the mind.
5. Another reassurance God gave Joshua is that he would be with him as he was with Moses. God used Moses to do awesome miracles, what were some of the Miracles that God did through Moses. When we incorporate all these things in our lives, we can be strong and courageous
6. Joshua is similar to Jesus because God used Joshua to bring the children of Israel in the Promised land (which is a land of abundance). Jesus brings us in to life and life more abundantly (John 10:10). Joshua is bringing God's people into land of blessing and Jesus brings us into every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places (Ephesians 1:3). There is a misconception of what crossing the Jordan river is and what entering in the promised land is. It is not dying and going to heaven. It is a picture of salvation. From dark to light. From the old man to the new man. From the slavery

and scarcity to freedom and abundance. In the wilderness they had to wait for God to send down Manna and quail, but in the promised land they could go out and get whatever they wanted, when they wanted. Joshua is leading them there. Jesus leads us to our promises. Do not turn from it to left or to the right.

B. Read Joshua 1:10-18

1. In verses 12-16 The Reubenites, the Gadites and half the tribe of Manasseh have already received their inheritance. Numbers 32:1-5
2. What can we take away from this story?

C. Read Joshua 2

1. Joshua sent out spy. This time it goes better. They are not sending out spy to see if they can take the land. They are sending out spies to see how to take the land.
2. Jericho is the oldest city in the world known to man. Damascus is oldest city still inhabited.
3. Rahab is saying in 2:9 that I know that the Lord has given you the land that the terror of you has fallen on us, and that all the inhabitants of the land are fainthearted because of you. Because she believed God. God saved her and her family. Hebrews 11:31.
4. An oath was made between the spies and Rehab. Because she hid the spies the spies promise not to destroy her and her family. They give her a scarlet cord to put her window. This scarlet cord is a symbol of Christ in the Old Testament. This is similar to the blood on the door post on the children of Israel's homes in Egypt. When the death angel saw the blood, he passed over their houses. Hebrews 19-22. Isaiah 1:18. Despite here life style, God chose to save her and her family. Rahab believed God like Abraham did, and God counted to her as righteousness. She obeyed the spies