

“You can wear a shepherd’s robe and carry a shepherd’s staff but if the sheep don’t follow you have to ask yourself a question, “Are you really their shepherd?”

Godly leaders are able to move people from where they were to where they need to be.

Pass through the midst of the camp and command the people, saying, ‘Prepare provisions for yourselves, for within three days you are to cross this Jordan, to go in to possess the land which the Lord your God is giving you, to possess it.

Joshua 1:11

When they finished apportioning the land for inheritance by its borders, the sons of Israel gave an inheritance in their midst to Joshua the son of Nun. Joshua 19:49

Godly leaders are concerned and responsive to problems that arise.

Some leaders are concerned but never respond and some respond but are never concerned.

Joshua said to the Reubenites and to the Gadites and to the half-tribe of Manasseh. Joshua 1:12

Godly leaders are open to questions and listen to suggestions in order to resolve conflict and move forward.

Godly leaders remind the people of the commitments they had made to the Lord.

Remember the word which Moses the servant of the Lord commanded you, saying, ‘The Lord your God gives you rest and will give you this land. Joshua 1:13

Your wives, your little ones, and your cattle shall remain in the land which Moses gave you beyond the Jordan, but you shall cross before your brothers in battle array, all your valiant warriors, and shall help them, Joshua 1:14

Godly leaders remind the people of the rewards upon their faithful service.

Until the Lord gives your brothers rest, as He gives you, and they also possess the land which the Lord your God is giving them. Then you shall return to your own land and possess that which Moses the servant of the Lord gave you beyond the Jordan toward the sunrise. Joshua 1:15

When the soldiers returned home, they shared the spoils of war with their brothers (Josh. 22:6–8).

“If you want to build a ship, don’t drum up the men to gather wood, divide the work and give orders. Instead, teach them to yearn for the vast and endless sea.” Antoine de Saint-Exupery

Godly leaders recognize that their strength in God and their courage to lead others hinges on obedience.

They answered Joshua, saying, all that you have commanded us we will do, and wherever you send us we will go.

Joshua 1:16

Just as we obeyed Moses in all things, so we will obey you; only may the Lord your God be with you as He was with Moses. Joshua 1:17

Anyone who rebels against your command and does not obey your words in all that you command him, shall be put to death; only be strong and courageous. Joshua 1:18