

Joshua PART 6 HANDOUT

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JOSHUA 11:21-23 - At that time Joshua went and destroyed the Anakites from the hill country: from Hebron, Debir and Anab, from all the hill country of Judah, and from all the hill country of Israel. Joshua totally destroyed them and their towns. ²² No Anakites were left in Israelite territory; only in Gaza, Gath and Ashdod did any survive. So Joshua took the entire land, just as the LORD had directed Moses, and he gave it as an inheritance to Israel according to their tribal divisions. Then the land had rest from war.

“There is something comforting in the thought that the devil is an adversary. I would sooner have him as an adversary than as a friend.” Charles H. Spurgeon

Goal was to possess the land...Now dwell in the land and have rest

Rest is pausing to remember the faithfulness of God

Comfort = put confidence in what we can do

KEY: Don't get comfortable...instead God wants to give you rest

JOSHUA 13:1-2 - God lists all the lands that need to be taken.

JOSHUA 13:7 and divide it as an inheritance among the nine tribes and half of the tribe of Manasseh.”

- Getting old scares some, Joshua is just getting started

JOSHUA 14:1-2 - payday. Divy up the land between the tribes

JOSHUA 14:6-8 Now the people of Judah approached Joshua at Gilgal, and Caleb son of Jephunneh the Kenizzite said to him, “You know what the LORD said to Moses the man of God at Kadesh Barnea about you and me. ⁷ I was forty years old when Moses the servant of the LORD sent me from Kadesh Barnea to explore the land. And I brought him back a report according to my convictions, ⁸ but my fellow Israelites who went up with me made the hearts of the people melt in fear. I, however, followed the LORD my God wholeheartedly.

- It's not common to see someone stay faithful over the long haul

JOSHUA 14:11-12 - Caleb's strength was in the Lord

JOSHUA 23:6-8 6“Be very strong; be careful to obey all that is written in the Book of the Law of Moses, without turning aside to the right or to the left. 7 Do not associate with these nations that remain among you; do not invoke the names of their gods or swear by them. You must not serve them or bow down to them. 8 But you are to hold fast to the LORD your God, as you have until now.

Some Anakites were left from Gaza, Gath, and Ashdod.

- The Israelites had failed to obey God in driving out the former occupants of Canaan. Because of that disobedience, the Philistines and the city of Gaza remained a thorn in Israel’s side for centuries.

Don’t slip into a mindset of comfort - sin is real, we have to stay vigilant or these ancestors might show up in the story again.

JOSHUA 23:9-10 “The LORD has driven out before you great and powerful nations; to this day no one has been able to withstand you. 10 One of you routs a thousand, because the LORD your God fights for you, just as he promised.

- God is not sending you into the Promised Land to fight...He, Jesus, is the One who takes down the enemies

JOSHUA 23:14 - “Now I am about to go the way of all the earth. You know with all your heart and soul that not one of all the good promises the LORD your God gave you has failed. Every promise has been fulfilled; not one has failed.

This is all pointing to Jesus

****God was opening a way for salvation to come to you and me**

KEY: You don’t have to do all the fighting, you just have to show up with courage and strength and confidence in what God can do.

Don’t turn away from God’s Word
Don’t lose confidence in God’s ability

There is a lot of ground to be taken for your family, marriage, city, church, your campus

LIFE POINT: God fulfills everything that He has promised you to do if you stay obedient to Him