



PHILADELPHIA CHURCH

Moving Forward With God's Promises

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Bible Hero

- His name was Hoshea, the son of Nun, of the tribe of Ephraim, but Moses called him Joshua, the name by which he is commonly known.

– *Numbers 13:16 - These are the names of the men whom Moses sent to spy out the land. And Moses called Hoshea the son of Nun, Joshua.*

- Hoshea means Salvation
- Joshua Means Yahweh Saves

Joshua 1:1-5 (NKJV)

After the death of Moses the servant of the Lord, it came to pass that the Lord spoke to Joshua the son of Nun, Moses' assistant, saying: "Moses My servant is dead. Now therefore, arise, go over this Jordan, you and all this people, to the land which I am giving to them—the children of Israel. Every place that the sole of your foot will tread upon I have given you, as I said to Moses. From the wilderness and this Lebanon as far as the great river, the River Euphrates, all the land of the Hittites, and to the Great Sea toward the going down of the sun, shall be your territory. No man shall be able to stand before you all the days of your life; as I was with Moses, so I will be with you. I will not leave you nor forsake you.

Joshua's Resume

- Remarkable life filled with excitement, success, and honor.
- Known for his deep trust in God as “a man in whom is the Spirit.”
- As a young man lived through the harsh realities of slavery in Egypt but also witnessed the supernatural plagues and the miracle of Israel’s escape from the army of the Egyptians when the waters of the sea opened before them.
- Led the troops of Israel to victory over the Amalekites.
- Allowed to accompany Moses up the Holy Mountain where the tablets of the law were received.

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- Stood and watch at the temporary tent of meeting Moses set up before the tabernacle was erected.
- Elected to represent his own tribe of Ephraim when the 12 spies were sent into Canaan to spy the land.
- Only he and his friend Caleb were ready to follow God's will and take immediate possession of the land.
- Proved to be not only a military strategist in the battles that followed but also a statesman in the way he governed the tribes.
- God's chosen servant and to bring Moses' work to completion and establish Israel in the Promised Land.
- He was a striking OT type (foreshadowing) of Christ.

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Question

Why did God give our superhero, Joshua this promise?

Deuteronomy: 34:10-12 (NKJV)

But since then there has not arisen in Israel a prophet like Moses, whom the Lord knew face to face, in all the signs and wonders which the Lord sent him to do in the land of Egypt, before Pharaoh, before all his servants, and in all his land, and by all that mighty power and all the great terror which Moses performed in the sight of all Israel.

What does the Word “LEAVE” means?

Abandonment

“Nor will I forsake you.”

Psalm 13:1 (NKJV)

How long, O Lord? Will You forget me forever?
How long will You hide Your face from me?

Job 23:1-5 (NKJV)

Then Job answered and said: “Even today my complaint is bitter; My hand is listless because of my groaning. Oh, that I knew where I might find Him, That I might come to His seat! I would present my case before Him, And fill my mouth with arguments. I would know the words which He would answer me, And understand what He would say to me.

Mark 15:34 (NKJV)

And at the ninth hour Jesus cried out with a loud voice, saying, “Eloi, Eloi, lama sabachthani?” which is translated, “My God, My God, why have You forsaken Me?”

Psalm 23:4 (NKJV)

Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil; For You are with me; Your rod and Your staff, they comfort me.