

Joshua's Example To Us Mountain-Takers!

Joshua 1: 1-9

Exodus 17: 8-14

Exodus 24: 12-13

Exodus 33: 8-11

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Scripture

Joshua 1: 1-9

¹ 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:

² "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.

³ Every place that the sole of your foot will tread upon I have given you, as I said to Moses.

⁴ 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.

⁵ 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.

⁶ Be strong and of good courage, for to this people you shall divide as an inheritance the land which I swore to their fathers to give them.

⁷ Only be strong and very courageous, that you may observe to do according to all the law which Moses My servant commanded you; do not turn from it to the right hand or to the left, that you may prosper wherever you go.

⁸ This Book of the Law shall not depart from your mouth, but you shall meditate in it day and night, that you may observe to do according to all that is written in it. For then you will make your way prosperous, and then you will have good success.

⁹ Have I not commanded you? Be strong and of good courage; do not be afraid, nor be dismayed, for the LORD your God is with you wherever you go."

Introduction

Preparation is a lifetime process with major and minor cycles that follow events in the fulfillment of the leader's overall commission

- Too often we don't know our commission and rank, thus we allow enemies that should be easily defeated are defeating us
- Remember that "as HE was with Moses" is only your starting point; it will end with what eye hath not seen and ear hath not heard
- Joshua's life is useful for those preparing for destiny!
- Joshua 11: 23
- Joshua 24: 31
 - Israel served the Lord all the days of Joshua!
 - Maybe this is not an "X" generation; maybe it is a "Joshua Generation"
 - There is a generation standing on the horizon that are just waiting on the captain of the Lord to give the command to go forth!

Point of Application 1

Exodus 17: 8-11

We must be warriors!

- Joshua was never trained to be a soldier but he was a warrior, the Israelites served as slaves in Egypt.
- We need to remove all of the self-pity and
- Two important aspects of being a warrior:
 1. who you chose to associate with, some people will make you weak, while others will make you strong and cause you to win

2. We must be able to submit and cooperate with God ordained and designated leadership, just as Joshua listened to Moses and went to battle while Moses went to the mountain. Joshua never questioned Moses' s leadership
- Divine vision and cause governed Joshua and this caused him not be discouraged.
 - A warrior's mentality has a lot to do with victory or defeat (Joshua 1:5). We must now say "I AM VICTORIOUS, VICTORIOUS".
 - Joshua had a mentality of VICTORY!
 - We have to wake up in the morning saying this is my day to CONQUER!
 - Warrior – a man/woman with experience in conflict
 - Joshua was never intimidated; we must now take on that mentality.
 - 2 Timothy 1: 7
 - Psalm 144: 1
 - One is a majority with God

Point of Application 2

Exodus 17: 14

We must be Word-Bearers!

- The word for this hour is "Do not be deceived" we can only ensure this if we read the word, study the word and act out the word over and over.
- We become a word bearer by hearing it over and over.
 - Romans 10:17
- We have to meditate on the word over and over.
- Psalm 119: 97-106
- James 1:22
- A word bearer rehearses the word prior to battle.

Point of Application 3

Exodus 24: 12-13; Exodus 33: 8-11

We must be servants foremost!

- Matthew 23: 11-12
- James 1: 21-25
- One of the most remarkable characteristics of Joshua was his humility and the way he served Moses.
- Joshua spent most of his life washing another man's feet.
- We have to move to a place where we serve human kind so well that God promotes us to serving Him.
- We cannot keep coming into God's presence without a change in character.

Conclusion

- Numbers 13
- Hoshea or Oshea (deliverer) was Joshua's name first it was then changed to Joshua, which means God helps.
- Proverbs 18