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Joshua: Strength and Courage

Arise and Go

Joshua 1:1-18

The Book of Joshua is a pivotal book in the Old Testament for the nation of Israel. It bridges the past of their wilderness journeys with their future in the land. Moses, their leader for the past forty years, is now dead. What is the nation going to do next? Quite simply, they are to continue forward with strength and courage to fulfill God's plan. Likewise, we continue to go forward in God's plan as well.

Additional Verses:

Exodus 17:9

Numbers 14:8-9, 27:18-23

John 14:15

1 Corinthians 3:9

Philippians 13:4

Hebrews 13:5-6

James 2:18-26

Outline:

1. God's plan constantly moves forward.

2. God's plan requires His people to act.

3. God's plan necessitates strength and courage.

Study Questions:

1. How does the Book of Joshua look toward the past, present, and future?

2. Why is it important to remember the past? Describe a time in your past when God worked in your life? How does that encourage you today?

3. What was the importance of the Book of the Law for Israel? How does God speak to us today? How does keeping God's commandments demonstrate our love for Him?

4. Why is Joshua commanded four times to be strong and courageous? What is to be his source of strength and courage? How can we be strong and courageous today?

5. How is the promise of God's presence one of the greatest promises He makes to us? How do you live this out in your daily life?

6. How is the Holy Spirit leading you to respond to God today?