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Joshua: Strength and Courage

Keep Going

Joshua 23

Joshua 23 contains Joshua's second farewell speech. Joshua knows he is close to death. He wants his final words to be words of encouragement. So, Joshua instructs Israel to keep going. Even though they are in the promised land it is not time for them to stop. They must keep going forward in their faith.

Additional Verses:

Psalm 78, 95

Mathhew 28:20

Mark 8:34-38

Romans 12:1-2

Galatians 6:7

Hebrews 6:13, 12:2

Outline:

1. Keep going in God's grace.

2. Keep going in God's distinctives.

3. Keep going in God's warnings.

Study Questions:

1. Why does Joshua encourage the people to keep going? What is important about the phrase the "LORD your God?"

2. Where have you seen God's grace at work in your life? What did you learn about God in that moment?

3. What makes a believer in Jesus distinct? Why is it important to maintain those distinctives?

4. What are some of the pulls of the world away from Christian distinctives? What is the remedy to the pull of the world? What is connotation of the word "cling" in verse 8?

5. Why does Joshua end this speech with warnings? How does this passage communicate God's judgments are sure? How are they encouragements to keep going?

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