

Joshua – The Lord is Salvation

Preparation for Possession

Chapter 1: 1-9 – The Word of the Lord

- The Death of Moses – the giver of the law
- Exhortation – Arise and Possess the land
- Three fold commission
 - Be Strong and of a good courage – taking possession
 - Be thou strong and very courageous – keeping the word
 - Be strong and of a good courage – to stand

Chapter 1: 10-11 – Preparation

- Enter into the spiritual exercise

Chapter 1: 12-15 – Earthly Prosperity or Spiritual Blessings?

- Numbers 32:1-27
- Where are my affections?
- What is my responsibility?
- Division – the work of the enemy
- What is the purpose of God for **all** his people?
- Chosen IN HIM before the foundation of the world – Eph. 1:4

Chapter 1: 16-18 – Response

- The effect of the Word of the Lord spoken by Joshua in the voice of the people.

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Chapter 2: 1-24 – The Response of Faith

- The Lord leads the spies directly to the prepared heart
- Heart of faith
- Action of faith
- Testimony of faith
- Encouragement of faith – Hebrews 11:31
- Conviction of empty faith – James 2:25

Entering the Promised Possession

Chapter 3: 1 – The source of Spiritual Energy

Chapter 3: 2-8 – All Eyes on Christ

- Every eye on the Ark of the Covenant
- Divine Distance
- Sanctify yourselves
- Joshua magnified before the people

Chapter 3: 9-13 – All Ears opened to the Word of the Lord

- Jehovah is supreme
 - In Power
 - In Lordship
 - In Authority

Chapter 3: 14-17 – Entering into Death / Buried with Christ...

Jordan – Flowing Downward / The Descender

- Death in figure – out of sight, **BUT NOT** out of mind
- The feet of the priests touch the waters of death
- Time of harvest – Jordan overflowed its banks
- The riverbed is dry for ALL the people of Israel

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Chapter 4: 1-24 – ...and Raised with Him To

- What is the meaning of these stones
 - Great Work Ephesians 1:18-21
 - One Body
 - Ephesians 2
 - Why not 9.5 stones and 2.5 stones on the other side of Jordan
 - How does the God view his chosen, purchased people?
 - Memorial
- Twelve stones in the midst of Jordan

Chapter 5: 2-9 – Seperation to God

- Gilgal – “Rolled Away”
- Separated to God according to His purpose
- Positional Circumcision – comes first
 - Colossian 2:10-12 – spiritual work - made without hands
 - Romans 2:29 – Circumcision of the heart
- Practical Circumcision – must follow.
 - Colossians 3
 - Philippians 3

Chapter 5: 10 – Keeping the Passover Feast

- Memorial of deliverance
- What is the memorial for the believer today?

Chapter 5: 10-12 – Spiritual Food

- Old Corn – Fruit of the Harvest just ripe
- Why is there “new food” on this side of Jordan
- Who has supplied this food?
- Why does the Manna cease?

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Taking Possession

Chapter 5: 13-15 – Captain of the Host of the Lord

- How are the defenses of the enemy overthrown?
- Worship at the feet of the “Captain of the Host” risen from the dead.
- The sword replaces the Rod that guided them from Egypt to Canaan.