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Strong and Courageous

Where are men and women—young and old—who are strong and courageous? People not dismayed by the faces, the opinions, the opposition of others? Men and women who do not want to be dismayed—shaken by the storms and conflicts of life, but strong enough in character to stand for what God says is right and true? Men and women who know God, believe God and are going to get a grip on God and everything He has for them in this life so that in the life to come they will not hang their heads in shame?

Where are they?

We pray they are reading this right now

TAKING IT IN

The first five books of the Bible, Genesis through Deuteronomy, often referred to as “The Law,” have brought us from Israel’s creation as a nation in Genesis, their sojourn and liberation from slavery in Egypt, their journey from Mount Sinai through the wilderness to the next major event in their history: taking possession of the land of Canaan under the leadership of Joshua.

1. The first thing we want to do as we begin our study is to read the first chapter of Joshua.

When you finish reading Joshua 1, summarize as briefly as possible what is happening in this chapter. Note the main character(s) in this chapter and list what is happening in this historical account.

2. Now read Joshua 1 again and mark:
 - a. every reference to Joshua with a color. We are asking you to do this only in this chapter (unless you choose to do otherwise) so you can get a clearer picture of what is transpiring with this man.
 - b. geographical locations. Double underline them in green.
 - c. references to time, or any words such as *then* or *after* if they indicate an important sequence in events. You might use a green circle.
3. Read Joshua 1 again.
 - a. Mark:
 - 1) *strong* and *courageous*
 - 2) *the land** (Mark it if it is a reference to the land that God has given to the children of Israel.)
 - 3) *possess* or *possession* when it refers to the children of Israel possessing the land given them by God.
 - 4) *the Lord commanded* or any phrase that says in essence the same thing. This will become an important key phrase you should mark throughout Joshua.

You might make a Key Word Bookmark with a list of key words color-coded the way you want to mark them throughout Joshua. You can do this on the blank side of the bookmark provided on the back cover of this workbook.

* Throughout this workbook an asterisk denotes a word with a suggested marking on the reverse side of the bookmark.

- b. In the Appendix you will find a chart: "Joshua at a Glance." Record the main theme, the primary subject that is covered in Joshua chapter 1.
- c. List in the margin of your Observation Worksheet everything you learned from marking "Joshua" in chapter 1. As you do this, don't miss observing what it will take for Joshua to be strong and courageous. You do not need to list Joshua's instructions to Israel.

4. Since Joshua is the main character in this book, we need to have some biblical background on this man. How did Joshua come to this significant role in the kingdom of God? What prepared him for leadership?

Look up the following Scriptures and record what you learn about Joshua.

Exodus	Numbers	Deuteronomy
17:8-16	11:28	3:28
24:12-13	13:1, 2, 8, 16, 25-26	31:7-8, 23
	14:6-10, 30, 38	34:5, 9
	32:11-12	

- b. Do you see how the knowledge you gained this week can be applied to today? To your life personally? Any precepts—standards—which you need to incorporate into your life? Romans 15:4 assures us that what is written for us in the Old Testament is for our instruction, that these Old Testament Scriptures bring us perseverance and encouragement and with that, hope.

JOSHUA 1

Observation Worksheet

Chapter Theme _____

- NOW** it came about after the death of Moses the servant of the LORD, that the LORD spoke to Joshua the son of Nun, Moses' servant, saying,
- 2 "Moses My servant is dead; now therefore arise, cross this Jordan, you and all this people, to the land which I am giving to them, to the sons of Israel.
 - 3 "Every place on which the sole of your foot treads, I have given it to you, just as I spoke to Moses.
 - 4 "From the wilderness and this Lebanon, even as far as the great river, the river Euphrates, all the land of the Hittites, and as far as the Great Sea toward the setting of the sun will be your territory.
 - 5 "No man will *be able to* stand before you all the days of your life. Just as I have been with Moses, I will be with you; I will not fail you or forsake you.
 - 6 "Be strong and courageous, for you shall give this people possession of the land which I swore to their fathers to give them.
 - 7 "Only be strong and very courageous; be careful to do according to all the law which Moses My servant commanded you; do not turn from it to the right or to the left, so that you may have success wherever you go.
 - 8 "This book of the law shall not depart from your mouth, but you shall meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do according to all that is written in it; for then you will make your way prosperous, and then you will have success.

- 9 “Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous! Do not tremble or be dismayed, for the LORD your God is with you wherever you go.”
- 10 Then Joshua commanded the officers of the people, saying,
- 11 “Pass through the midst of the camp and command the people, saying, ‘Prepare provisions for yourselves, for within three days you are to cross this Jordan, to go in to possess the land which the LORD your God is giving you, to possess it.’”
- 12 To the Reubenites and to the Gadites and to the half-tribe of Manasseh, Joshua said,
- 13 “Remember the word which Moses the servant of the LORD commanded you, saying, ‘The LORD your God gives you rest and will give you this land.’
- 14 “Your wives, your little ones, and your cattle shall remain in the land which Moses gave you beyond the Jordan, but you shall cross before your brothers in battle array, all your valiant warriors, and shall help them,
- 15 until the LORD gives your brothers rest, as *He gives* you, and they also possess the land which the LORD your God is giving them. Then you shall return to your own land, and possess that which Moses the servant of the LORD gave you beyond the Jordan toward the sunrise.”
- 16 They answered Joshua, saying, “All that you have commanded us we will do, and wherever you send us we will go.
- 17 “Just as we obeyed Moses in all things, so we will obey you; only may the LORD your God be with you as He was with Moses.
- 18 “Anyone who rebels against your command and does not obey your words in all that you command him, shall be put to death; only be strong and courageous.”

JOSHUA AT A GLANCE

Book Theme

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