

Yahweh Keeps His Promise!

The Book of Joshua, Part 2

- Be strong and courageous because Yahweh...
 - Delivers when it seems impossible.
 - Fights when we haven't enough fight in us.
 - Stays close when we are alone and overwhelmed.

- Be strong and courageous by
 - Reviewing what God has said.

 - Responding to what God has commanded.

 - Requesting what God desires.

 - Remembering what God has done.

Getting Started: What kind of spiritual practices do you engage in: Bible reading, prayer, fasting, corporate worship, silence and solitude, etc? Why do you do them? How do these practices help you to trust and obey God in the midst of the nitty gritty of real life?

Digging In: Read Joshua 1:1-16. What has just happened as this chapter of history begins? What promises are given to Joshua? Last week we observe that over and over again Yahweh was fighting for Israel. When you look at the story of Joshua, if Yahweh was fighting for Israel what was Israel's responsibility? What does Josh 1:6-9 tell us about their responsibility? What does the sin of Achan (Joshua 7) and the example of Joshua (8:34-35; 11:9, 15, 23; 15:13; 17:4) teach about responding to what God has commanded? How do Joshua's words about obedience align with Jesus's words in the New Testament (Josh 23:6-11—John 14:15)? How did Israel and Joshua fail in seeking the will of Yahweh (Joshua 9)? Why do you think they made this mistake? Why was it so important that Israel would do specific things to remember God's actions on their behalf (Josh 4:19-24; 23:1-6; 24:31; Judges 2:6; 10-14)?

Living It Out: This week: 1) Pick one thing you struggle to trust and obey God in. 2) Consider these points as different spiritual disciplines: (a) Reviewing what God has said, b) Responding to what God has commanded, c) Requesting what God desires, d) Remembering what God has done. 3) Pick one to focus on this week in light of your specific struggle to trust God. Dads: Pick one of these to talk about or to do with your children over the course of this week.

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