

# Joshua ... Into the “Promised Land!”

*Joshua 1:1-18*

## *Additional Notes*

**Identifying the key idea – the unifying truth – of this passage...** (Hint: repetition is of a big clue!) In this passage it appears four times (three times spoken to Joshua by God, once by the “congregation”)

**Situation analysis** – This is really important for understanding this passage!

- Look at vss. 1-2 – What challenges was Joshua facing (identify ‘em)?
- What kind of leader had Moses been (describe him – cp. Deuteronomy 34:5-12)?
- What was the task – what was lying ahead for Joshua and the Children of Israel?
- What do you think were Joshua’s feelings as he faced the challenge?
- What were the people like that Joshua was commissioned to lead?

**Purpose Analysis** – What appears to have been God’s purpose here based upon the clues you see in this passage?

1. The \_\_\_\_\_ of Joshua (Vss. 1-4)

- How was Moses referred to in this passage?
- How was Joshua referred to in these verses?

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- What was the challenge ahead for Joshua? How do you think Joshua might have felt about that in light of vs. 1?
- What was God's promise?

### **2. God's \_\_\_\_\_ to Joshua (Vss. 5-6)**

- See if you can identify the four aspects of God's promise and reassurance to Joshua?
- Do you observe any similarity between these and God's assurances to us as we seek to serve Him and fulfill His will?

### **3. The \_\_\_\_\_ for Joshua as Leader (Vss. 7-9)**

- What role did God indicate His written revelation – God's word – play in Joshua's success as a leader? What was Joshua to do? What would God do?
- How do you think that applies to us as we seek to serve the Lord today?

### **4. Joshua \_\_\_\_\_ the Leaders (Vss. 10-15)**

### **5. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the Congregation (Vss. 16-18)**

- How did the people – the "congregation of God" – respond to Joshua's challenge, leadership and direction?
- Do you think they were sincere? Did they have a "track record" of delivering on their commitment (to Moses... to Joshua)?
- What did they say they desired to see in Joshua's leadership?
- Ultimately what do you think would be the keys to Joshua's success as a leader and "servant of the Lord" (cp. 24:29-31)?