

Sermon Outline

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Principles for Success

God spoke to Joshua and gave him His requirements and His promises. Even though Moses, the only leader the people had known, was dead, God was still alive and active and intended to fulfill His promises to His people. God needed a man to be His delegated representative who would be faithful to Him and a leader of the people. He chose Joshua. The requirements and promises God made to Joshua also applied to the people.

I. THE SIGNIFICANT BACKGROUND

- A. Moses Had Been Called By God To Do God's Will
- B. The Enemies of God Continue Even When God's Men Pass On
- C. God's Preparation of Joshua

II. GOD CHOSE JOSHUA

- A. Joshua Was God's Choice and Had God's blessing Deut. 1:37-38; 3:21-28; 34:7-9
- B. God Determined That Joshua Would Lead His People to Inherit the Land and God made the same promises to Joshua He had made to Moses Joshua 1:5

III. RECEIVING/POSSESSING THE GIFTS OF GOD

- A. God Said: I have given ...
 - 1. God first told Abraham *I will show thee the land...*
 - 2. God then told Abraham *I will give thee and thy seed the land* Gen. 17:8
- B. God said: *Every Place That The Sole of Your Foot Shall Tread Upon, I have given*
- C. As It Was With The Israelites, It Is With Believers Today
- D. To Possess, the Israelites Had to Observe ALL the Law, Obey Josh 1:7

IV. THE BASIC ESSENTIALS

- A. Respect For The Past: Know your history Deut. 4:1-10, 23-40

Remember this: Everybody stands on the shoulders of someone else!

God's promises of the past apply to us today and God's requirements of His people in the past apply to us today! Deut. 7:6-13

- 1. Appreciating the sacrifices of those who have gone before us
- 2. Learning from those who have gone before us

- B. Required Personal Characteristics

God focused our attention by His double emphasis on the important things

- 1. Be strong
- 2. Be courageous
- 3. Be obedient to ALL God's Law
 - a. To be obedient you must know God's Law Deut. 6:1-25
 - b. To be obedient you must know ALL of God's Law
 - c. To be obedient you must not turn ... no compromise!
 - d. You must choose to regulate your life by ALL of God's Law
 - e. You must know it
 - f. You must talk it
 - g. You must meditate/think on it