

YOUTH WORSHIP

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Text: Joshua 1:9-18

Title: "All that you command us we will do"

INTRODUCTION

1. Joshua 1

It may be broadly divided into 2 parts

2. The two parts

- a) God's word to Joshua as the successor of Moses Joshua 1:1-9
- b) Joshua's response to God's call to fulfil his role as the military commander

AN IMPORTANT WORD TO THE MILITARY OFFICERS

¹⁰ Then Joshua commanded the officers of the people, saying,

¹¹ "Pass through the camp and command the people, saying, 'Prepare provisions for yourselves, for within three days you will cross over this Jordan, to go in to possess the land which the LORD your God is giving you to possess.' "

Joshua 1:10-11

1. Joshua had already established an army

- a) He was the commander-in-chief
- b) There were officers who commanded the soldiers
- c) Joshua had proven himself in the battle field

2. War Preparations

- a) Army rations
- b) Earnest preparation
- c) "Within three days you will cross this Jordan"

AN IMPORTANT WORD TO THE TRIBES WHO DID NOT WISH TO CROSS THE RIVER JORDAN

¹² And to the Reubenites, the Gadites, and half the tribe of Manasseh Joshua spoke, saying,

¹³ “Remember the word which Moses the servant of the LORD commanded you, saying, ‘The LORD your God is giving you rest and is giving you this land.’

¹⁴ Your wives, your little ones, and your livestock shall remain in the land which Moses gave you on this side of the Jordan. But you shall pass before your brethren armed, all your mighty men of valour, and help them,

¹⁵ until the LORD has given your brethren rest, as He *gave* you, and they also have taken possession of the land which the LORD your God is giving them. Then you shall return to the land of your possession and enjoy it, which Moses the LORD’s servant gave you on this side of the Jordan toward the sunrise.”

Joshua 1:12-15

1. There was a Prior Agreement

a) Moses

b) Reuben, Gad and half of Manasseh

i) They would stay East of Jordan

ii) They were known as “The Eastern tribes”

2. The tribes had made their choice

a) They will not cross the River Jordan

b) They will stay East of Jordan

3. They had made a commitment to help their brethren conquer Canaan

4. They may return to their land after having conquered Canaan

5. Joshua was asking them to fulfil their promise to Moses

THE WORTHY RESPONSE OF THE TRIBES

¹⁶ So they answered Joshua, saying, “All that you command us we will do, and wherever you send us we will go.

¹⁷ Just as we heeded Moses in all things, so we will heed you. Only the LORD your God be with you, as He was with Moses.

¹⁸ Whoever rebels against your command and does not heed your words, in all that you command him, shall be put to death. Only be strong and of good courage.”

Joshua 1:16-18

1. The Eastern Tribes had not forgotten their promise

2. Their answer to Joshua

a) They pledged full obedience

“All that you command us we will do, and wherever you send us we will go.”

Joshua 1:16

b) They reaffirmed their commitment to give heed to Joshua’s leadership

“Just as we heeded Moses in all things, so we will heed you. Only the LORD your God be with you, as He was with Moses.

Whoever rebels against your command and does not heed your words, in all that you command him, shall be put to death.

Joshua 1:17-18a

c) They have one request to make

“Only be strong and of good courage.”

Joshua 1:18b

A WHOLE NEW GENERATION HAD ARISEN

1. They were unlike the previous generation

a) Complaining

b) Challenging the Lord’s leading

c) Challenging Moses’ leadership

2. Features of the New Generation

a) They comprehended better

b) They comply with courage

OUR CHALLENGE

1. To find and build faith in God
- 2 To find courage to follow the new leader