

JOSHUA: AN EXAMPLE OF PRACTICAL VICTORY BY FAITH (Joshua 1:1-9)

- *Why was Joshua 1 such a momentous occasion for Joshua & Israel?*

1. Practically Victorious Believers Are PREPARED by God (1:1-2a)

The Lord prepared Joshua through:

a) *The Passover* – to learn that _____ precedes _____. (Exod. 12–14; Rom. 8:8)

b) *The war with the Amalekites* – to learn that practical victory involves succeeding in our God-appointed tasks only by _____. (Exod. 17:8-16; Zech. 4:6; 2 Tim. 1:7; 2 Peter 1:3)

c) *Being Moses's Servant* – to learn that practical victory involves choosing _____ before our own and remembering _____ we are really serving. (Exod. 24:13; 33:11; Josh. 5:14; 24:29; Titus 1:7)

d) *Spying out the land & Kadesh-Barnea* – to learn that practical victory involves _____ upon God's _____ by _____, despite _____. (Num. 14:7-10)

2. Practically Victorious Believers Trust in the PROMISES of God (1:2b-3)

a) The Lord had already promised the _____ to Israel as an _____ possession. (Gen. 12:1-3; 15:18-21; 17:7-8)

b) God's promises are _____ (Heb. 4:1-2) because they are _____ (Num. 23:19; Ps. 119:160; John 17:17; Titus 1:2) and _____ (Josh. 23:14).

- *Why do the promises of God precede practical spiritual victory for the believer?* (2 Peter 1:4)

3. Practically Victorious Believers Walk in Light of Their POSITION & POSSESSIONS (1:4)

a) As the earthly people of God, Israelite believers were to _____ by faith in their _____ . (Gen. 12:1-7; 26:1-3; 50:24-25; Lev. 25:23; Ps. 37:3, 27, 29)

b) As the heavenly people of God (Phil. 3:20), believers today in the church age are to _____ in Christ (John 15:4-5), reckoning on our _____ with Christ (Rom. 6:11-14; Eph. 1:3).

- *Why is your position in Christ so important for practical victory?*

4. Practically Victorious Believers Are Enabled by the POWER & PRESENCE of God (1:5-6, 9)

a) God desires us as believers to be _____, not in _____, but in _____. (Jer. 9:23-24; 17:5-7; Isa. 40:28-31; 1 Cor. 16:13; 2 Cor. 3:5-6; 12:9-10; Eph. 1:19; 6:10; Phil. 4:13)

b) The power of God and _____ are the result of _____ in our lives. (Josh. 1:9; 5:13-15; Zech. 4:6; Eph. 1:17; Heb. 13:5-6)

- *Why are the power and presence of God so important in our Christian lives?*

5. Practically Victorious Believers PROSPER by Means of God's Word (1:7-8)

a) The purpose of God's power and presence in our life is not to fulfill our own will but _____ and _____. (Matt. 26:39; John 5:38; Rom. 12:2)

- *How will this look to the world vs. the Lord? (Josh. 6; 1 Cor. 2:14; Heb. 13:21)*

b) The true measure of _____ in life is _____ to the _____. (Ps. 1:1-3; Jer. 6:16; 10:23; Prov. 3:5-6; 1 Cor. 4:1-5; Josh. 23:1-8)