

NIV MEMORY VERSE: Joshua 1:9

Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be terrified, do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go.

EXODUS & POSSESSION 21-1**"ENTERING THE PROMISED LAND"**
Joshua 1:1-5:14

1. Share a thought from last week's lesson.

DAY 1 READ Joshua 1:1-18

2. What territory was the Lord giving to Israel?
3. a. To be "successful wherever you go" what were they to do?
 - b. How do you think meditating on God's Word contributes to successful ventures in life?
4. a. How soon were they going to set out to possess the land?
 - b. What were Joshua's instructions to the Reubenites, Gadites and half-tribe of Manasseh?
 - c. What would be the consequences of rebellion?
5. Four times (vs.6,7,9,18) the admonition to be strong and courageous was given. Why do you think leaders need that particular encouragement?

DAY 2 READ Joshua 2:1-24

6. a. What were the spies to do?
 - b. Where did they stay?
 - c. What is your impression of Rahab?
7. Perhaps the king of Jericho also had his own spy network because he found out the two Israelite spies were in the land.
 - a. What did Rahab tell those who inquired about the Israelite spies?
 - b. What had she actually done with the spies?
8. a. What was the reputation that preceded Israel?
 - b. What had God promised in Deuteronomy 2:25?
 - c. What effect did the reputation have on those who heard it?

DAY 2 (Continued) READ Joshua 2:1-24

8. d. The Israelites' reputation preceded them. What kind of reputation do you have?
Could these Scriptures describe you?
John 13:35
- Titus 2:11-14
- 1 Peter 4:7-11
9. a. For whom did Rahab ask mercy?
b. What did the spies pledge to Rahab?
c. The promise of safety was conditional. Upon what did it depend?
10. (IN-DEPTH) What analogy do you find between verse 19, the Passover night in Egypt, and Christians "inside" Christ?
11. a. What did the spies report to Joshua?
b. Upon hearing that report, how do you think Joshua felt?

DAY 3 READ Joshua 3:1-17

12. What do you think was the significance of having the Ark of the Covenant lead the procession?
13. What did Joshua command the people?
14. What assurance did the Lord give to Joshua?
15. Briefly explain how the people were able to cross the Jordan.
16. a. After 40 years of wandering, a huge obstacle (the flooded Jordan) stood between the Israelites and their goal. They stepped out in faith and obedience to cross it. Facing our own obstacles requires that same faith and obedience. Write the following Scriptures:
Psalm 16:8
- Psalm 108:13
- Romans 8:28
- b. Which verse means the most to you and why?

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DAY 4 READ Joshua 4:1-24

17. What command was given to the twelve men, one man from each tribe?
18. a. _____ armed for battle crossed the Jordan.
 - b. What happened when the priests came out of the river?
19. a. Where did the people camp and set up the monument?
 - b. What explanation were the people to give their children concerning the memorial stones?
 - c. What memorial did Christ give to His followers? (see 1 Corinthians 11:23-26)

DAY 5 READ Joshua 5:1-15

20. What effect did the Israelite crossing of the Jordan have on the local residents?
21. Part of the covenant that God made with Abraham concerning the Promised Land involved the identifying mark of circumcision. (Genesis 17:1-14) Why was it necessary for Joshua to circumcise all the men at Gilgal?
22. What feast was celebrated as Israel camped there?
23. The next day manna ceased. What did the people eat?
24. a. What was Joshua's concern about the man who appeared in vs. 13?
 - b. How did he identify himself?
 - c. How did Joshua react and what instruction was he given?
 - d. Who else received similar instructions to remove his shoes, etc. (Exodus 3:5)?
25. Finally entering the land! How do you think the following felt about the:

<u>Past</u>	<u>Future</u>
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 - a. Joshua
 - b. Israelites
 - c. Rahab

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LECTURE NOTES:

PRAYER REQUESTS;