

## Timeline of Truth – God Promises to Be with Joshua (Joshua 1:1-9)

**Joshua 1:1-2** After the death of Moses the servant of the LORD, it came to pass that the LORD spoke to Joshua the son of Nun, Moses' assistant, saying: <sup>2</sup> "Moses My servant is dead. Now therefore, arise, go over this Jordan, you and all this people, to the land which I am giving to them -- the children of Israel.

### 1. God Commands Joshua to \_\_\_\_\_

- a. The \_\_\_\_\_ – after the death of Moses  
**Deuteronomy 34:7-8** <sup>7</sup> Moses was one hundred and twenty years old when he died. His eyes were not dim nor his natural vigor diminished. <sup>8</sup> And the children of Israel wept for Moses in the plains of Moab thirty days. So the days of weeping *and* mourning for Moses ended.
- b. The \_\_\_\_\_ – the Lord
- c. The \_\_\_\_\_ – Joshua
  - i. The son of Nun
  - ii. Moses' Assistant
- d. The \_\_\_\_\_
  - i. Moses is dead
    - Servant - עֶבֶד, *eved* - slave
  - ii. Two commands
    - Arise – קָוַם, *qum* – to stand
    - Go over - עָבַר, *avar* - pass over, through, by, pass on

<sup>3</sup> "Every place that the sole of your foot will tread upon I have given you, as I said to Moses. <sup>4</sup> "From the wilderness and this Lebanon as far as the great river, the River Euphrates, all the land of the Hittites, and to the Great Sea toward the going down of the sun, shall be your territory.

### 2. God Gives Joshua the \_\_\_\_\_ of the Land

- a. The \_\_\_\_\_
  - i. Every place the sole of your foot will tread upon
  - ii. I have given to you/shall be your territory
    - Notice the tense – "have given"
- b. The extent
  - i. From the wilderness and Lebanon as far as the great river Euphrates – when has Israel's land extended this far? (Jer. 16:14-16; Amos 9:11-15; Zech. 8:4-8)
  - ii. From the land of the Hittites to the Great Sea to the going down of the sun.

<sup>5</sup> "No man shall *be able* to stand before you all the days of your life; as I was with Moses, so I will be with you. I will not leave you nor forsake you.

### 3. God Promises \_\_\_\_\_

- a. No man will be able to stand before Joshua
- b. God will be with Joshua
  - i. As He was with Moses
- c. God will not leave or forsake Joshua
  - i. Leave - רָפָה, *raphah* - sink, relax, slacken, abandon
  - ii. Forsake - עָזַב, *azar* - leave, forsake, loose

<sup>6</sup> "Be strong and of good courage, for to this people you shall divide as an inheritance the land which I swore to their fathers to give them. <sup>7</sup> "Only be strong and very courageous, that you may observe to do according to all the law which Moses My servant commanded you; do not turn from it to the right hand or to the left, that you may prosper wherever you go.

**4. God Commands Joshua to Be \_\_\_\_\_**

- a. Two \_\_\_\_\_:
  - i. Be strong – צִיָּוִן, *chazaq* - be or grow firm, strong, strengthen  
**1 Corinthians 16:13** <sup>13</sup> Watch, stand fast in the faith, be brave, be strong.  
**Ephesians 6:10** <sup>10</sup> Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord and in the power of His might.  
**2 Timothy 2:1** You therefore, my son, be strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus.
  - ii. Be of good courage - אִמְצָוּ, *ametz* - be stout, strong, bold, alert
- b. Two \_\_\_\_\_:
  - i. You will cause the people to inherit the land.
  - ii. God swore it (gave an oath) to their fathers.
- c. One \_\_\_\_\_:
  - i. In order to observe to do all the law which Moses commanded
  - ii. God commands not to turn from it to the right or left.
- d. One \_\_\_\_\_:
  - i. That he may prosper – (hiphil) – may cause to prosper
  - ii. Wherever he goes – lit. "in all that you walk"

<sup>8</sup> "This Book of the Law shall not depart from your mouth, but you shall meditate in it day and night, that you may observe to do according to all that is written in it. For then you will make your way prosperous, and then you will have good success.

**5. God Emphasizes \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ His Word**

- a. First command: This Book of the Law shall not depart from your mouth
- b. Second command: You shall meditate in it day and night
  - i. Meditate - חָגַהּ, *hagah* - moan, growl, utter, speak  
**Psalm 1:2** <sup>2</sup> But his delight *is* in the law of the LORD, And in His law he meditates day and night.  
**Psalm 143:5** <sup>5</sup> I remember the days of old; I meditate on all Your works; I muse on the work of Your hands.  
**Proverbs 15:28** <sup>28</sup> The heart of the righteous studies how to answer, But the mouth of the wicked pours forth evil.
  - ii. Why shall it not depart from your mouth and why are they commanded to speak it day and night?  
**Philippians 4:8-9** <sup>8</sup> Finally, brethren, whatever things are true, whatever things *are* noble, whatever things *are* just, whatever things *are* pure, whatever things *are* lovely, whatever things *are* of good report, if *there is* any virtue and if *there is* anything praiseworthy -- meditate on these things. <sup>9</sup> The things which you learned and received and heard and saw in me, these do, and the God of peace will be with you.  
**1 Timothy 4:14-16** <sup>14</sup> Do not neglect the gift that is in you, which was given to you by prophecy with the laying on of the hands of the eldership. <sup>15</sup> Meditate on these things; give yourself entirely to them, that your progress may be evident to all. <sup>16</sup> Take heed to yourself and to the doctrine. Continue in them, for in doing this you will save both yourself and those who hear you.
- c. First result: That you may keep to do all that is written in it.
- d. Second result: At that time you will cause your way to thrive (hiphil)
- e. Third result: At that time you will cause to prosper (hiphil)

<sup>9</sup> "Have I not commanded you? Be strong and of good courage; do not be afraid, nor be dismayed, for the LORD your God *is* with you wherever you go."

**6. God Reiterates His \_\_\_\_\_**

- a. Four commands that God gives
  - i. Be strong
  - ii. Be of good courage
  - iii. Do not be afraid
    - עָרַץ , *artz* - cause to tremble, tremble
    - **2 Timothy 1:7** <sup>7</sup> For God has not given us a spirit of fear, but of power and of love and of a sound mind.
  - iv. Do not be dismayed
    - חָתַת , *chatat* - be shattered
- b. One reason:
  - i. God is with him
  - ii. Wherever he goes

**Takeaways:**

**1. God is ready to \_\_\_\_\_ us and \_\_\_\_\_ us.**

**Hebrews 13:5-6** <sup>5</sup> *Let your conduct be without covetousness; be content with such things as you have.* For He Himself has said, "I will never leave you nor forsake you." <sup>6</sup> So we may boldly say: "The LORD *is* my helper; I will not fear. What can man do to me?"

**2. God has given us His \_\_\_\_\_ – we need to use it.**

**2 Timothy 3:16-17** <sup>16</sup> All Scripture *is* given by inspiration of God, and *is* profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness, <sup>17</sup> that the man of God may be complete, thoroughly equipped for every good work.

- a. Profitable – valuable or useful
- b. Complete – not lacking anything
- c. Thoroughly Equipped - we have everything we need