

Transitions - Joshua 1

Outline of Joshua:

- Possessing the land (1-12)
- Distributing the land (13-21)
- Staying in the land (22-24)

Context:

- Israel wandered for 40 years so that the generation that disobeyed God will pass on before the new generation moves into the Promised Land.
- Moses died before entering the Promised Land because of his disobedience.
- God is now fulfilling His promise to bring Israel into the Promised Land through Joshua, the newly appointed leader.



Outline of Chapter 1 (3 'voices'):

- v.1-9 > **God** declaring the transition from the leadership of Moses to Joshua
- v.10-11 > **Joshua** rallying of Israel to enter the Promised Land
- v.12-15 > **Joshua** rallying of the eastern tribes (Reuben, Gad & half of Manasseh) to enter the Promised Land
- v.16-18 > **Israel** responding to the newly appointed leader of Israel

1. The focus of God's people in the face of transitions

- God's purposes remains unchanged
- God's people support God's appointed leaders

2. The focus of God's appointed leader in the face of transitions

- External challenges
- Internal challenges
- Strength & Courage
 - a. Strength & Courage comes from remembering God's Promises (Joshua 1:6)
 - b. Strength & Courage comes from remembering God's Principles (Joshua 1:7-8)
 - c. Strength & Courage comes from remembering God's Presence (Joshua 1:9)

Conclusion: