

# Joshua

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## BATTLE POINT

When fear rises, faith responds with radical obedience.



## ACTION STEP

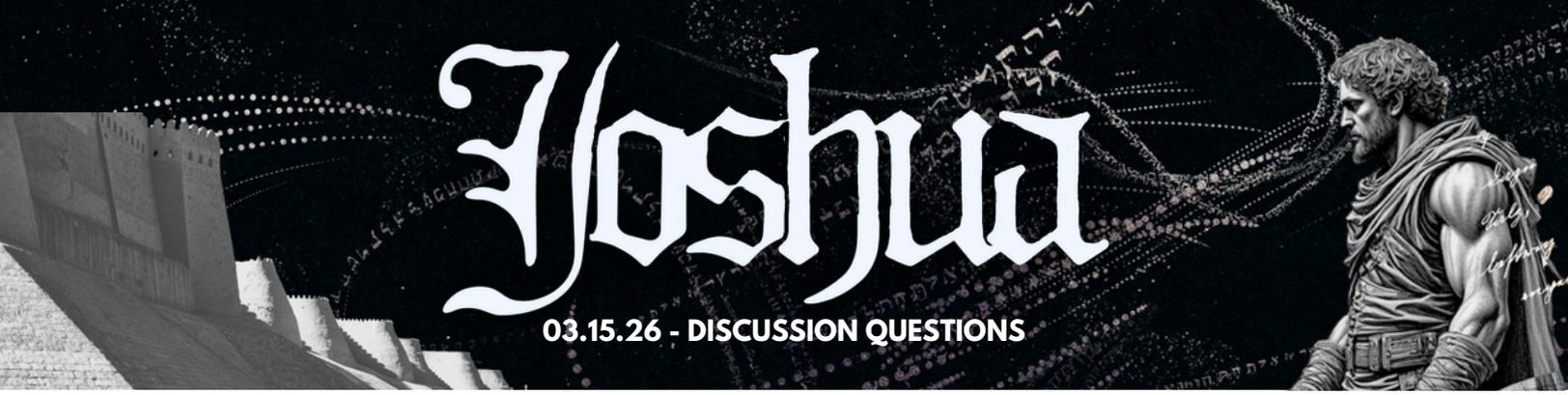
Memorize Joshua 1:9

*Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be frightened, and do not be dismayed, for the LORD your God is with you wherever you go.*

**ICEBREAKER** - If you suddenly had to lead a group across a wilderness like Joshua, what one skill you have now might actually help?

## UNDERSTANDING THE TEXT. READ JOSHUA 1:10-18

- In verse 16, the people say, "All that you have commanded us we will do, and wherever you send us we will go." What does this statement reveal about their posture toward Joshua's leadership?
- The people say in verse 17, "Just as we obeyed Moses... so we will obey you." Why might this statement have been both encouraging and concerning for Joshua?
- In verse 18, the people emphasize the seriousness of rebellion against God's commands. What does this reveal about their view of obedience and holiness?
- Why is encouraging one another with God's Word so important when we are facing fear, uncertainty, or difficult obedience?



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## FEAR VS. FAITH.

- Joshua 1 is filled with the command “*be strong and courageous.*” In your life right now, what fear has the greatest potential to keep you from obeying God fully? What would courage look like in that situation?

## DIGGING DEEPER: THE TRANSJORDAN TRIBES (EAST SIDE!)

***Before Israel crossed the Jordan River, the tribes of Reuben, Gad, and half of Manasseh had already received land east of the Jordan (Numbers 32). Because the land was well suited for their large flocks, they asked Moses if they could settle there instead of crossing into the Promised Land with the rest of Israel. In Numbers, the tribes affirmed that they were still committed to helping the rest of Israel take possession of the land. Their families and livestock would remain east of the Jordan, but their fighting men would cross over and help their brothers until the work was finished. These tribes are known as the “Transjordan Tribes.” Joshua 1, Joshua reminds them of that promise.***

- Although their request to remain east of the Jordan seemed practical and reasonable, these tribes were historically the first to be conquered and taken into exile centuries later (1 Chronicles 5:25–26). What does this remind us about the difference between what seems wise in our own eyes and what God intends for us?
- The Transjordan tribes show that even those who have already received blessings from God are still responsible to help others experience His promises. What might that principle look like for Christians today within the church?
- In what areas of your life might you be tempted to settle for what seems comfortable, practical, or safe instead of fully stepping into what God might be calling you to?