



JOSHUA

Called For Such Times

THE GREAT SEA

BASHAN

GALILEE

JORDAN RIVER

GILEAD

AMMON

GILGAL

JERICHO



GREAT MOMENTS

Joshua in crisis:

- **MOSES IS DEAD!**
- **Be bold and (very) courageous!**
- **All the training, waiting, learning, experience...**
- **Now it is time to move WITH GOD!**

People...

- **Leaders go through the Camp – PREPARE! 3 days!**
- **As we obeyed Moses in all things (1:17)... scary!**

Spies sent again?

UMMMM.... Not so good an outcome...

- **The end up in a harlots house???** (ch 2)
- **Rahab – hides the spies**

Encouragement (9-11)

- **“The Lord has given you the land”**
- **“Terror of you has fallen on us”**
- **“we have heard...Red Sea...Amorite Kings” Num 21**
- **“our hearts melted”**
- **Spare our household... deal struck, scarlet cord...**

God's Excitement

2 spies return and report:

- **“the Lord has given all the land into our hands”**

CH 3:2 – at the end of 3 days...

- **Look at the ARK... follow it!**
- **Keep your distance!**
- **“you have not passed this way before” (4)**

Finally NEW LAND after 40 years...

God and Joshua

Vs 5 – CONSECRATE yourselves

- Joshua is taking no chances here...
- Outside vs. inside preparation... priests...

Vs 7 – The Lord speaks

- I will **BEGIN** to exalt you – for their sake!
- Proverbs 11:2; Mt 11:29; James 4:6; 1 Peter 5:5,6
- Why is this lesson hard to learn?

Good replaced by BEST!

• Cloud and Pillar are gone...

• **FOLLOW THE ARK!!!**

- The Ark would now be the focal point...
- Not something the enemy could see easily...
- BUT, what was IN THE ARK? ON THE ARK???
- THE KAPORETH!!! A place of forgiveness!

• **BY THIS shall you know God is among you... (3:1**

- What do we have today?

A New and Living way

- **Words of the Lord, through Joshua (3:9)**
- **The soles of the feet of the priests... feet wet?**
 - **Not what Moses did... God is NEW!!!**
 - **Jordon was at FLOOD stage (3:15)**
 - **Priests at the FRONT, taking the walk of faith**
- **Waters are cut off and PILE UP! (3:16,17)**
- **And 12 MEN GATHERING STONES? (ch 4)**

12 stones...

Why make a memorial?

- One stone from each tribe

Joshua gives the commands... 4:5

- Who wants to pause in the middle of a river???
- “When your children ask”!!!
- What do our kids ask about?
- What do we answer???

1 Peter 2:4,5

1Peter 2:4 And coming to Him as to a living stone which has been rejected by men, but is choice and precious in the sight of God,

1Peter 2:5 you also, as living stones, are being built up as a spiritual house for a holy priesthood to offer up spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ.

Next week...

Jericho!
Joshua