



Joshua 1:1-9

MESSAGE NOTES:

Step _____ and _____.

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As we live on _____...

- 1) God's _____ gives us a _____.
- 2) God's _____ gives us _____.
- 3) God's _____ gives us _____.



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QUICK REVIEW

- 1) Looking back at your notes from Sunday's message, was there anything that you heard for the first time, caught your attention, challenged or confused you?
- 2) Reread Joshua 1:1-9. What does God assure Joshua that He (God) will do for Israel? God also gives Joshua some specific instructions on what he (Joshua) is supposed to do. What were those instructions?
- 3) Why did God tell Joshua to meditate upon His Word day and night? What could that have to do with leading the nation of Israel?

MY STORY

- 4) Have you ever worried that you've failed too many times and that God is going to give up on you? Do you really understand — and believe — that God gives us a second chance (and often many more than that)?
- 5) We, as followers of Jesus, have a mission in life—a mission that often requires courage! What do you think is your biggest obstacle in bravely living out this mission?
- 6) God told Joshua that he must meditate upon the law (the Word) day and night. Why is it important for us as followers of Jesus to do this as well?

DIGGING DEEPER

Read Ephesians 6:10-18

- 7) The entire book of Ephesians is actually a letter written by the apostle Paul to the people in the church at Ephesus. In this passage he is encouraging them to be strong, not simply physically, but spiritually. He uses the imagery of armor—what pieces of armor does he mention and what does each do?
- 8) As you read through Paul’s description of each of these pieces of armor, are there some you feel that you “wear” most of the time, or some that you don’t typically wear at all? Why is it important to wear all of them?

Read Matthew 10:26-33

- 9) Jesus sent the 12 disciples out to witness to their fellow Jews, and before they did so, he gave the disciples authority over spirits and gave them the power to cast out demons and heal every disease and affliction (Matthew 10:1). What does Jesus say about fearing the opposition they will undoubtedly face?
- 10) Consider your own mission—what is your mission field? Do these words give you courage as you consider the opposition you might face? How do these Words speak into YOUR life and YOUR mission?

TAKING IT HOME

STEP UP: How is your relationship with God inspiring your life of faith? Do you need to be more intentional about taking the time to nurture that relationship?

STEP IN: Think about the people you live with, work with and interact with on a regular basis—are there relationships there where you can be more open about your faith?

STEP OUT: Who might you need to invite to coffee, to lunch or church this week?

STEP BEYOND: What Missions might you need to take this week in order to make a Christ-like impact in the lives of those you know and love?