



QUOTE OF THE WEEK

**There are no trivial assignments
in the work of the Lord.**

Sermon Series: Possessing the Promises of God!

(A Study through the Book of Joshua)

“KNOW YOU ARE CALLED & COMMISSIONED!”

Joshua 1:1-18 NKJV

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INTRODUCTION

Understand Israel just did not walk into the land and it was given to them.

- No! They had to fight for it
- They had to follow God’s instructions to get it
- They had to deal with opposition
- They had to overcome some fear

***In order to experience the good that we are promised,
we must be willing to go through the process of preparation.***

Just to remind you: The good stuff is what we are called from, to what we are called to!

- a) Called *from* labor to rest - Matthew 11:28 NKJV
- b) Called *from* death to life - 1 John 3:14 NKJV
- c) Called *from* bondage to liberty - Galatians 5:13 NKJV
- d) Called *out of* darkness into light - 1 Peter 2:9 NKJV
- e) Called *from* worry to peace - 1 Corinthians 7:15 NKJV
- f) Called **TO** the fellowship of His Son - 1 Corinthians 1:9 NKJV
- g) Called **TO** a high calling - Philippians 3:14 NKJV
- h) Called **TO** a holy calling - 2 Timothy 1:9 NKJV
- i) Called **TO** a heavenly calling - Hebrews 3:1 NKJV

The good stuff is what makes us into what God has called us to be:

- a) We are made **sons of God** - John 1:12 NKJV
- b) We are made **children of God** - Galatians 3:26 NKJV
- c) We are made **servants of God** - Matthew 25:21 NKJV
- d) We are made **saints of God** - Colossians 1:1 NKJV
- e) We are made **witnesses for God** - 1 Thessalonians 2:10 NKJV
- f) We are made **workers together with God** - 2 Corinthians 6:1 NKJV

To **commission** is to charge someone with a task, giving them the authority to do something in an official way.

We have been given the authority according. Luke 10:19 NKJV

The **commission** from Jesus has been interpreted by those of us who are Believers.

As His followers, we have the duty to go and make disciples, teaching and baptizing them in His Name. Matthew 28:18-20 NKJV

In knowing you are called and commissioned,
YOU MUST KNOW THAT YOU ARE:

1. _____ - Joshua 1:3 NKJV

- How did they know:
 - ➡ *What to do?*
 - ➡ *Where to go?*
 - ➡ *What was theirs?*
 - ↑ *Because God Directed them* - Psalm 32:8 NKJV; Psalm 119:133 NKJV

2. _____ - Joshua 1:5 NKJV

- God's Promise to protect is to everyone who would fulfill His expectation of them, and who would seek obedience to His word as their number one priority!
- Joshua was promised two basic things:
 - a) **PROTECTION:** *Know this that under God's protection is provision!*

Commentator writes:
This verse is the spiritual climax and highlight of the first part of God's charge to Joshua. It is a heart-warming promise to Joshua himself that (1) his and the Israelites' efforts would succeed and (2) God would never leave him. It is doubly encouraging when we see that God promised to be with Joshua in the same way that he was with Moses.
The words in the first part of the verse are identical to those in God's promise to Moses in Deuteronomy 7:24b.

The promise is repeated almost verbatim in Deuteronomy 11:25a. (D.M. Howard, Jr.)

The same promise given to him then is the same promise given to us today!

b) **PRESENCE - Joshua 1:5 NKJV** (Matthew 28:20 NKJV; Hebrews 13:5 NKJV)

3. _____ - **Joshua 1:7-9 NKJV**

- You are Expected to be:
 - a) **Confident** - *Only be strong and very courageous.*
 - b) **Committed** - *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.*
 - c) **Consistent** - *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.*

Then you will be **Compensated**: *For then you will make your way prosperous, and then you will have good success.*

Reminding him the motivation for this is the Promise - Joshua 1:9 NKJV

4. _____ - *(meaning we are under the authority of)* - **Joshua 1:16-18 NKJV**

- Thessalonians 5:12-13 NKJV
The Authority that God expects us to be subject to is His and His chosen Leaders!!!
 - Leaders! Know this, that those who follow you expect something from You, in order to maintain their **follow-ship!!!**
 - The things they expect of are:
 - a) Joshua 1:17 - God Presence with You! -
 - b) Joshua 1:18 - Complete Obedience to Leaderships Direction!
¹⁸ Whoever rebels against your command and does not heed your words, in all that you command him, shall be put to death.
 - c) Joshua 1:18 - Leadership that Displays Confidence in God!
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