



JOSHUA SERIES – PART 7

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WORSHIP

Begin your group with a time of worship. If someone in your group can lead worship, invite them to lead two or three songs. Alternatively, consider using one or more of these songs from our Sunday morning worship time:

- **This Is Our God** (*Phil Wickham*)
- **Endless Praise** (*Charity Gayle*)
- **How I Need You** (*Highlands Worship*)

SCRIPTURE REFERENCES

- Joshua 13:1
- Joshua 14:6-14
- Joshua 17:14-18
- Joshua 24:14-15

OPENING PRAYER

Begin your session with a prayer, asking for God's guidance and wisdom as you discuss the sermon and its applications.

KEY TAKEAWAYS

1. God remains faithful even in seasons of change.
2. Living by faith leads to action and receiving our full inheritance in God.
3. Fear can lead to apathy and missing out on God's blessings.
4. We must actively remind ourselves and others of what truly matters.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. The sermon mentions changes happening in the church service format. How do you typically respond to changes in your routine or environment? How can we maintain a positive attitude during times of transition?
2. Pastor Brian emphasized the importance of being on time for church. Discuss the reasons he gave and share your thoughts on how punctuality relates to our faith and community life.
3. Joshua 13:1 describes Joshua as "very old." How does this passage demonstrate God's faithfulness despite changing circumstances? Share an example of God's faithfulness in your own life during a time of change.
4. Compare and contrast the attitudes of Caleb (Joshua 14:6-14) and the people of Joseph (Joshua 17:14-18). What can we learn from each of these examples about faith, action, and receiving our inheritance from God?
5. The sermon suggests that it's easy to look to others (bosses, church, government) to fix our problems. How can we cultivate a more proactive approach to addressing challenges in our lives and communities?
6. Reflect on Joshua 24:14-15. What does it mean for you and your household to "serve the Lord" in today's context?

PRACTICAL APPLICATIONS

1. This week, identify one area in your life where you've been hesitant to take action due to fear or complacency. Make a plan to take one small step forward in faith.
2. Create a "faithfulness journal" where you record instances of God's faithfulness in your life. Share one entry with the group next week.
3. Choose a spiritual discipline (e.g., prayer, Bible study, service) to practice more consistently as a way of "serving the Lord" with your household.
4. Reflect on your current commitments and punctuality. If needed, make adjustments to ensure you're honoring God and others with your time.

CLOSING PRAYER

End your session by thanking God for His faithfulness and asking for the courage to live by faith, take action, and serve Him wholeheartedly.