Make it Count

Joshua 1:1-9 May 26, 2024

Main Point: A life of real impact flows out of the Word working in and through our lives as the source of our bravery and strength for the path ahead.

I. GOD INVITES PEOPLE TO BOLDLY TRUST HIM IN EVERY GENERATION. (Vs. 1-5)

- A life that matters, in the end, is one that courageously follows God, wherever He leads you, no matter what He says to do.
 - Mark 10:45, Matthew 28:19-20, 1 Peter 3:15

II. IT TAKES STRENGTH AND COURAGE TO OBEY GOD'S WORD. (Vs. 6-7)

- It will not always be easy to live according to what God says matters, but it will always be worth it.
 - Matthew 4:1-11

III. GOD'S GREATEST BLESSING IS HIS POWERFUL PRESENCE. (Vs. 8-9)

- The only way to live a meaningful life is to trust and obey the God who has made Himself known through the Bible.
 - o John 14:18

So teach us to number our days that we may get a heart of wisdom.

- Psalm 90:12

Suggested Reading:

So the Next Generation Will Know by Sean McDowell & J. Warner Wallace

Habits of the Household by Justin Earley

Amaze Them with God by Kevin DeYoung

Don't Waste Your Life by John Piper

Questions/Discovery Points for Life Groups/Families

Please Read Joshua 1:1-9

- 1. What picture of discipleship do we see in verse 1?
 - a. Who is invested in your spiritual growth?
 - b. Why is it important to know spiritually mature brothers or sisters in Christ who can help us grow?
- 2. At the end of your life, what do you want to be remembered for?
- 3. Who in your life needs encouragement or support in their walk with Jesus? How could you encourage them this week?
 - a. Would you please pray for our students and graduates on a regular basis?
- 4. Read Romans 11:33-34 and Psalm 139:1-16
 - a. What are some of the characteristics that describe God in these passages?
 - b. How does knowing who the Lord is encourage you when your plans change?
- 5. When was the last time you really evaluated your Bible reading habits? What are some reasons for creating consistent habits in meeting God in the Bible?
- 6. What is your takeaway from this text? How will you apply it?