

GOD WITH US
Part 2: Conquest and Chaos
Joshua – Judges – Ruth

EXTRA:
Life of Joshua
October 24th & 25th

Joshua's Keys to Success:

1. Joshua learned from a godly mentor.

Exodus 32:17 - When Joshua heard the noise of the people shouting, he said to Moses, There is the sound of war in the camp."

2. Joshua invested in his relationship with God.

Exodus 33:7-11 - Now Moses used to take a tent and pitch it outside the camp some distance away, calling it the tent of meeting. "Anyone inquiring of the LORD would go to the tent of meeting outside the camp. And whenever Moses went out to the tent, all the people rose and stood at the entrances to their tents, watching Moses until he entered the tent. As Moses went into the tent, the pillar of cloud would come down and stay at the entrance, while the LORD spoke with Moses. Whenever the people saw the pillar of cloud standing at the entrance to the tent, they all stood and worshiped, each at the entrance to his tent. The LORD would speak to Moses face to face, as a man speaks with his friend. Then Moses would return to the camp, but his young aide Joshua son of Nun did not leave the tent.

3. Joshua exercised great faith.

Numbers 14:6-9 - Joshua son of Nun and Caleb son of Jephunneh, who were among those who had explored the land, tore their clothes and said to the entire Israelite assembly, The land we passed through and explored is exceedingly good. If the LORD is pleased with us, he will lead us into that land, a land flowing with milk and honey, and will give it to us. Only do not rebel against the LORD. And do not be afraid of the people of the land, because we will swallow them up. Their protection is gone, but the LORD is with us. Do not be afraid of them."

4. Joshua committed to radical obedience.

Joshua 6:3-5 - March around the city once with all the armed men. Do this for six days. Have seven priests carry trumpets of rams' horns in front of the ark. On the seventh day, march around the city seven times, with the priests blowing the trumpets. When you hear them sound a long blast on the trumpets, have all the people give a loud shout

5. Joshua emphasized personal choice.

Joshua 24:14-15 - Now fear the LORD and serve him with all faithfulness. Throw away the gods your forefathers worshiped beyond the River and in Egypt, and serve the LORD. But if serving the LORD seems undesirable to you, then choose for yourselves this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your forefathers served beyond the River, or the gods of the Amorites, in whose land you are living. But as for me and my household, we will serve the LORD."