

“Preparing for Possession”

Joshua 1:10-18

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Sermon Discussion Questions

1. When is a time that God asked you to make a move of some sort (geographical, to a new job, off to college, etc.)? What did God's grace to you look like in that season?
2. Why do you suppose God only gave Israel three days to prepare? Was it really only three days? Or was it 40 years (desert wanderings)? Or was it 600+ years (since Genesis 15)? Give reason for your answer.
3. What advice would you give to a fellow Christian explaining **why and how** they should prepare to enter our Promised Land (Heaven)? Please use Scriptural support for your answer.
4. We are called to help others enter into God's eternal rest (Romans 10:14-15), and yet Scripture says in John 6:44 that no one comes to the Father unless the Father draws them. How would you explain the "balance" between our role and God's role?
5. Reflect on Wiersbe's quote: *If God's people today saw obedience to Christ as a matter of life or death, it would make a big difference in our ministry to a lost world. We obey the Lord's orders if we feel like it, if it's convenient and if we can get something out of it. With soldiers like that, Joshua would never have conquered the Promised Land. Why, among Christian circles today, has obedience to the Lord become a matter of choice instead of a matter of life or death?*
6. Take time to pray for our church leaders.

Ways to Pray for PTC's Ministry Leaders

- Praise God for gifting our leaders with the passions and abilities to serve.
- Praise God for raising up the leaders we currently have.
- Praise God for working in and through our leaders for His glory.
- Praise God for the fruit that He is bringing about in their ministries.
- Praise God that He never leaves or forsakes our leaders.
- Thank God for the many ministry leaders at PTC.
- Thank God for our ministry leaders' willingness to serve.
- Thank God for the blessing our ministry leaders are to our church family.
- Thank God for making our ministry leaders a conduit of His love and truth.
- Thank God that He will fulfill all His promises given to those who lead.
- Pray for wisdom, perseverance, and strength as they lead.
- Pray for protection as the evil one seeks to attack their health, marriages, ministries, relationships, sleep, etc.
- Pray that God would give them patience in difficult circumstances.
- Pray that God would raise up the right people for open ministry positions.
- Pray for God's blessing and favour on the lives of our ministry leaders.