

Text: Joshua 5:13-15
Topics: The Lord's authority, leading, and power
Series: Joshua: Claiming the Promise

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The Battle that Awaits

I. The Reveal (13a)

The Lord appeared to Joshua in a way that he did not recognize.

II. The Response (13b-14)

The Lord's appearance to Joshua clarified the source of power and authority for his battle.

III. The Requirement (15)

The Lord's presence required reverence from Joshua.

We are dependent on the Lord for success in our battles.

Application Questions - These questions are provided for your further study and application of the subject of today's message. Thoughtfully writing out answers to these questions will help drive home the point. They are designed to be discussed in your home, with other believers, and in a Life Group for even more benefit.

1. In Joshua 5:13-15 Joshua experiences a unique encounter with the Lord. How would you describe his circumstances in and around this encounter?

How do we know this was the Lord?

Does God reveal Himself and/or His message to people today? Explain.

Have you had such an experience? How would or did you know if what you experienced was from God or the Adversary?

2. What did the response of the "captain" reveal about Himself in verse 14? What did His answer reveal about the upcoming battle(s)?

Our battles can be against the temptations of sin or against resistance to our God-given mission. Are you in one right now? Explain.

Think about Joshua's battle. What encouragement, and what instruction, should he have gained from this encounter?

What encouragement and instruction do you see for your battles?

3. From verse 15, what did the "captain" tell Joshua and how was he to respond? Why?

What message did this give and what would it have to do with the battle(s) before Joshua?

What disciple-making lesson do you see in this passage?