

# S E R M O N   N O T E S

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## The Source of Courage January 6, 2008

Joshua 1:1-10

### Introduction

The dynamic leader of the nation has died and it is up to you to lead now; what are you feeling? Not only that, but it is up to you to lead the people in battle and into the Promised Land; are you scared? That is what faced Joshua and the way he reacted is inspirational for us all.

### Lessons learned from Joshua:

1. Like Joshua, we have a \_\_\_\_\_ .
2. Like Joshua, we have an \_\_\_\_\_ .
3. Like Joshua, the promise must lead to \_\_\_\_\_ .

## Going Deeper

1. Do you consider yourself to be a “risk-taker”? Why or why not?
2. How difficult do you think it was for the nation after Moses died? What sort of pressure do you think Joshua was under?
3. God gave Joshua a big mission, to lead the people into the Promised Land. What are the big things that He has called us to as His followers? Do these feel overwhelming?
4. Rather than leave Joshua on his own, the Lord told him to be strong and courageous because He would be with Joshua. What difference do you think that made in Joshua’s attitude and leadership?
5. We have been given the same promise of God’s presence. What difference does that make in your daily life?
6. Do you tend to live your Christian life with strength and courage or fear and timidity? How does this make a difference?
7. Joshua acted on the promise he was given and led the people into the Promised Land. Where do you need to act with strength and courage, knowing that God is with you?

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