

2021 Recap
Go Forth in My Spirit
Sunday, December 26 2021

Joshua 1: 3-9 NIV

³I promise you what I promised Moses: ‘Wherever you set foot, you will be on land I have given you— ⁴from the Negev wilderness in the south to the Lebanon mountains in the north, from the Euphrates River in the east to the Mediterranean Sea in the west, including all the land of the Hittites.’ ⁵No one will be able to stand against you as long as you live. For I will be with you as I was with Moses. I will not fail you or abandon you. ⁶“Be strong and courageous, for you are the one who will lead these people to possess all the land I swore to their ancestors I would give them. ⁷Be strong and very courageous. Be careful to obey all the instructions Moses gave you. Do not deviate from them, turning either to the right or to the left. Then you will be successful in everything you do. ⁸Study this Book of Instruction continually. Meditate on it day and night so you will be sure to obey everything written in it. Only then will you prosper and succeed in all you do. ⁹This is my command—be strong and courageous! Do not be afraid or discouraged. For the LORD your God is with you wherever you go.”

1. In Hope

Psalm 9:18 The hope of the afflicted will never perish
Isaiah 40:31 Those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength.
Romans 5:5 This hope will not lead to disappointment.

2. In Courage

Psalm 27:1 The Lord is my Light and salvation, why should I be afraid?
2 Timothy 1:7 God has not given us a spirit of fear, but of power.

3. In Confident Expectation

Jeremiah 17:7 Blessed are those who made the Lord their hope and confidence.
Proverbs 14:26 Whoever fears the Lord has a secure fortress.
Romans 8:32 He who did not spare His own Son, but gave him up for us all, how will He not graciously give us all things?

Conclusion: God called us to Go Forth in hope, in courage, and in confident expectation knowing He is working all things for the good of those who love Him. Let us end the year committing in our hearts to live

in this freedom. *For this is the blessing of Christmas.*

LIFE GROUP LESSON
Go Forth in My Spirit

Week of December 26 – January 1, 2022

Ice Breaker: Where did you Go Forth with God this year?

Read Joshua 1: 3-9.

1. What promise did God make to Joshua, also promised to Moses? (v.3)
2. What do you think Joshua was feeling as God reaffirmed this promise to him—originally spoken to Abraham and then Moses?
3. How do you feel as you ponder promises spoken to people in the Bible, that still apply to you? What does this tell you about God?
4. What is the next promise God spoke to Joshua? (v.5)
5. What command did God give Joshua? (v.6)
6. How has God been telling you to be strong and courageous this year?
7. Why does God repeat this command? What other command does He give? What is the promise as Joshua upholds these commands? (v.7)
8. What does God mean when He says, “do not deviate and turn either to the right or the left.” (v.7) What is He speaking to you?
9. How important is this instruction to growing in your faith? (vs. 8)
10. How does studying the Word of God help you increase hope and grow in courage and confidence?
11. What is the promise as we study and meditate on the Word of God? (v.8)
12. Read Isaiah 40:31 What is the counsel and what is the promise?
13. Read Romans 5:5. What is the assurance our hope will not lead to disappointment?
14. Read Psalm 27:1 and 2 Timothy 1:7. How are we to live? Should fear drive our decisions and actions? What kind of fear? Is there a difference between holy fear and fear in the flesh?
15. Read Proverbs 14:26. What do we have as we fear the Lord? How does this affect our children? How does this truth instill confidence to Go Forth as the Spirit leads us?
16. Read Romans 8:32. Why is it we can be confident God will work all things for good as we trust Him?
17. How will you purpose in your heart as we close out 2021 to Go Forth in His Spirit more? Choose one area and commit to Go Forth in hope, courage and confident expectation He is with you and for you.

Point to ponder: God is always at work transforming us more and more into His image, teaching us to listen to His counsel and trusting in

His provision and protection. Let us give thanks for the gift of His Holy Spirit who guides us into everlasting truth and shows us life abundant.