

Sermon Series: Life in His Name

Sermon Title: You've Never Traveled This Way Before

Text: Joshua 1:1-9; 3:4a

Discussion Questions:

Read Joshua 3:4a What is God saying to the Israelites as they prepare to cross the Jordan?

Has there been a time(s) when you faced a situation like this verse – “You’ve never been this way before?”

What were some of your thoughts?

What were your emotions at that time?

What reactions did you have in your body?

In Joshua chapter 1:1-9 what has taken place that is making a very big transition for Joshua and Israel?

How do you think that Joshua felt?

What questions do you think that the Israelites had going through their minds?

Do you think that there were some profound doubts?

Examination:

Verse 1 – Look at the impact of these words on Joshua. He is dealing with two major issues – the death of Moses and his beginning a great task. What feelings may have come upon Joshua hearing God speak to him?

Verse 2-4 – What was Joshua and Israel getting ready to do? Compare Genesis 12:1-9; 15:12-20

Verse 5 – How do you think that these words from God impacted the life of Joshua?

Verse 6 – Joshua is given his mission and vision for what God wanted him to do. How do you think God communicated this to Joshua? What would these words from God do for Joshua?

Verse 7 – How does God say that Joshua is going to be successful?

Verse 8 – What are several things that can be concluded from this verse that were important for Joshua?

Verse 9 – What is God’s promise to Joshua? What would this do for Joshua as he begins to carry out God mission for him?

Why do you think that God would repeat these words (Be strong and courageous) to Joshua 3 times?

Application:

What are several things from this passage that speak to you concerning the New Year 2019?

Do God’s words to Joshua (Be Strong and Very Courageous) have relevance in your life for 2019?

Verse 8 is one of God’s great instructions concerning the Bible. How can it be applied to your life in 2019?