



Springcreek
C H U R C H

2660 Belt Line Road
Garland, TX 75044
972.494.5683
www.springcreekchurch.org

POSSESSING YOUR FUTURE (JOSHUA)
LEAD YOUR LIFE: Putting an End to Default Living – Part 2
Pastor Keith Stewart
January 10, 2021

*Three days from now you will cross the Jordan to go in and take possession of the land the Lord is giving you for your own.
Joshua 1.11b*

Opportunities and enemies often go together.

A great door for effective work has opened to me, and there are many who oppose me. 1 Corinthians 16.9

*"The door of opportunity swings on the hinges of opposition."
- Dr. Bob Jones Sr.*

1. PAY ATTENTION TO THE CALL OF GOD.

Moses, my servant, is dead. Now then, you and all these people get ready to cross the Jordan river... I will give you every place where you set your foot, as I promised Moses. Joshua 1.2-3



Springcreek
C H U R C H

2660 Belt Line Road
Garland, TX 75044
972.494.5683
www.springcreekchurch.org

Moses dominates the Bible more than anyone beside Jesus Himself. His name is mentioned 767 times in the Old Testament and 79 times in the New. Joshua's name is only mentioned twice in the New Testament.

No prophet has risen in Israel like Moses, whom the LORD knew face to face, who did all those miraculous signs and wonders the LORD sent him to do in Egypt – to Pharaoh and to all his officials and to his whole land. For no one has ever shown the mighty power or performed the awesome deeds that Moses did in the sight of all Israel. Deuteronomy 34.10-12

"God buries His workmen but carries on His work." - Charles Wesley

*A young man ran and told Moses, "Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp." Joshua son of Nun, **who had been Moses' aide since youth**, spoke up and said, "Moses, my lord, stop them!" But Moses replied, "Are you jealous for my sake? I wish that all the LORD'S people were prophets and that the LORD would put his Spirit on them!" Numbers 11.26-29*

"Teenagers are heat-seeking missiles. They're drawn to fire. They yearn for experiences that will channel their passions. And by and large they are not detecting many signs of life in the church."
- Cuyler Black



Springcreek
C H U R C H

2660 Belt Line Road
Garland, TX 75044
972.494.5683
www.springcreekchurch.org

"I'm convinced that if we lose kids to the culture of drugs and materialism, of violence and war, it's because we did not dare them, not because we don't entertain them. It's because we make the gospel too easy, not because we made it too difficult. Young people want to do something heroic with their lives, which is why they play video games to try to experience it vicariously. But what are they going to do with a church that teaches them to tiptoe through life so that they can arrive safely at death?" - Shane Claiborne

His name originally is, "Hoshea" (salvation) but Moses renames him "Joshua," which means, "Yahweh saves" (Numbers 13:16).

2. BE STRONG AND COURAGEOUS.

Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be terrified; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go. Joshua 1.9

Be careful to obey all the Law... do not turn from it to the right or the left that you may be successful wherever you go. Do not let this Book of the Law depart from your mouth; meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do everything written in it. Then you will be prosperous and successful. Joshua 1.7-8



Springcreek
CHURCH

2660 Belt Line Road
Garland, TX 75044
972.494.5683
www.springcreekchurch.org

You talk about it.

You think about it.

You live it.

The whole Bible was given to us by inspiration from God and is useful to teach us what is true and to make us realize what is wrong in our lives; it straightens us out and helps us do what is right. 2 Timothy 3.16 (Living Bible)

v.5 - "Just as I was with Moses, so I will be with you"

v.6 - "Be strong and courageous"

v.7 - "Only be strong and very courageous"

v.8 - "Be strong and courageous"

v.9 - "For the Lord is with you wherever you go"

Epizeuxis

Chiastic structure



Springcreek
C H U R C H

2660 Belt Line Road
Garland, TX 75044
972.494.5683
www.springcreekchurch.org

Had Joshua been without fear, this command would have been pointless.

"Most people are too strong for God's tasks. They're too full of their own schemes, their own plans, their own ways of doing things. God must humble us, bring us down, to realize the inadequacies in ourselves and the absolute necessity of dependence on Him."

- F. B. Meyer

The wicked flee when no one pursues, but the righteous are bold as a lion. Proverbs 28.1

3. STEP OUT IN FAITH.

Remember I have commanded you to be determined and confident! Don't be afraid or discouraged, for I, the Lord, am with you wherever you go. Joshua 1.9 (Good News)



Springcreek
CHURCH

2660 Belt Line Road
Garland, TX 75044
972.494.5683
www.springcreekchurch.org

"I am inwardly fashioned for faith, not for fear. Fear is not my native land; faith is. I am so made that worry and anxiety are sand in the machinery of life; faith is the oil. I live better by faith and confidence than by fear, doubt and anxiety. In anxiety and worry, my being is gasping for breath--these are not my native air. But in faith and confidence, I breathe freely--these are my native air."
- Dr. E. Stanley Jones

As soon as the priests stepped into the river, the water stopped flowing and piled up... Joshua 3.15 (Good News)

Then Joshua told the people, "Consecrate yourselves, for tomorrow God will do amazing things among you!" Joshua 3.5

Egypt - The Wilderness - The Jordan River - Canaan

