Joshua: Prophet of Conquest

Introduction

"By faith the walls of Jericho fell down, after they were compassed about seven days." (Hebrews 11:30, KJV). In today's lesson, a new generation of Israelites remind us that there is no substitute for true faith in God. And God is always faithful. Always trust God, and then "work your faith"!

Today's Lesson Objectives

- Explain how Joshua acted obediently to the vision from God
- Reflect on our inefficiencies when challenges overwhelm
- Commit to obeying God especially in challenging times

Scripture

Joshua 5:13-6:5, 6:15-16, 20 (KJV)

Devotional Reading Hebrews 11:23-31 (KJV)

"God's Work Done God's Way **Brings Success**"

About Today's Lesson...

As the book of Joshua opens, a new generation of Israelites find themselves camped along the east bank of the Jordan River at the very edge of Canaan - the Promised Land. Moses had recently died and the people had a new leader - Joshua the son of Nun. The time had finally come for God's chosen people to enter the Promised land. Their moment of conquest had arrived. But would God's chosen people once again fail to obey His commands and laws? Would this new generation of Israelites faithfully follow the instructions of God's newly appointed leader, Joshua?

Forging ahead with new leadership at the helm can be a daunting task. But Joshua was no ordinary leader. He was a prophet chosen by God to lead the people to their new home. So when the time came to subdue their first enemy, Jericho, the people had no problem following Joshua's orders - marching and shouting their way to victory.

Even when facing difficult situations, Joshua made it a habit of doing exactly as God commanded. He knew that God's work done God's way would bring success. We too should commit to obeying God and trusting Him.

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