

Sequim Community Church
GOD'S STRATEGY FOR SUCCESS
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JOSHUA 1:1-11 ~ June 29, 2008

INTRODUCTION:

- A. "We all want to be successful....the key is getting from where you are to where you ought to be." Author and Pastor John Maxwell
- B. "***Now that my servant Moses is dead, you must lead my people across the Jordon River into the land I am giving them. I promise you what I promised Moses: 'Everywhere you go, you will be on land I have given you...No one will be able to stand their ground against you as long as you live.'***"
Joshua 1:1-5
- C.

I. BE CLEAR IN YOUR GOAL.

- A. "***...from the Negev Desert in the south to the Lebanon mountains in the north, from the Euphrates River on the east to the Mediterranean Sea on the west, including all the land of the Hittites.***" Joshua 1:4
- B. How to clarify your goal:
- * Seek God's Will
 - >The Bible
 - > Prayer
 - > Council of other Christians
 - * Evaluate your strengths and weaknesses
 - * Know your passion
- C. **God** wants you to know where you're headed.

II. BE CONFIDENT IN YOUR DECISION.

- A. Don't second guess yourself.
"***A double-minded person is unstable in all that they do.***" James 1:8
- B. We need to remain **confident**.
- * Joshua felt very inadequate
 - > "**God says to Joshua, 'Be strong and courageous.'**"
Joshua 1:6, 7, 9 & 18

C. **Fear** keeps us out in the wilderness away from the promised land.
"Do not be afraid or discouraged. For the Lord your God is with you wherever you go." Joshua 1:9

D. We need to be **committed**.

E. There will always be obstacles:

- * Problems
- * Pressures
- * People

"Then Joshua told the people, 'Purify yourselves, for tomorrow the Lord will do great wonders among you.'" Joshua 3:5

III. **BE CONSCIOUS OF GOD'S PROMISES.**

A. God says over and over again that we can depend on Him.

B. God promises He will **empower** us.
"No one will be able to stand their ground against you as long as you live." Joshua 1:5

C. God promises His **protection**.
"For I will be with you as I was with Moses. I will not fail you or abandon you." Joshua 1:5

"For the Lord your God is with you wherever you go." Joshua 1:9

D. God promises us **success**.
"Study this Book of the Law continually. Meditate on it day and night so you may be sure to obey all that is written in it. Only then will you succeed." Joshua 1:8

CONCLUSION: