



Be Brave! God Goes With You

Joshua Learns to Lead with Courage | Joshua 1:1-11 (KJV)

REMEMBER

"Be strong and of a good courage; be not afraid, neither be thou dismayed:" Joshua 1:9 (KJV, excerpt)

Have you ever faced something new and wondered, Can I do this? Joshua had a very big new job. Moses had died, and God chose Joshua to lead His people across the Jordan River. Joshua would need to listen, prepare, and trust God. God promised that Joshua would not be alone.

1. God gave Joshua a new responsibility

Joshua 1:1-4

God told Joshua to lead the people across the Jordan into the land He was giving them. Joshua had to take the next step and help others move forward.

Try this: When you have a new responsibility, listen carefully and ask a trusted adult to help you understand what to do.

2. God promised to be with him

Joshua 1:5-6, 9

Joshua did not have to do the work alone. God promised to be with him and told him to be strong and courageous.

Try this: Being brave does not mean you never feel nervous. You can pray, ask for help, and do what is right even when a task feels new.



Listen, Prepare, and Help

3. Joshua needed to remember God's Word

Joshua 1:7-8

God told Joshua to think about His instruction day and night and to do what it said. Hearing the words was the beginning; living them mattered too.

Try this: Read a Bible verse with your family. Talk about what it means, then choose one way to practice it, such as telling the truth or showing kindness.

4. Joshua helped the people prepare together

Joshua 1:10-11

Joshua gave instructions to the officers. They were to tell the people to prepare supplies for crossing the Jordan within three days. Everyone had a part to play.

Try this: A good leader listens and helps others understand the plan. At home or in a group, do your part, explain kindly, and encourage someone else.

What Can We Learn?

- God is with us when we face something new.
- We can learn God's Word and put it into practice.
- Bravery includes asking for help when we need it.
- Good leaders listen, prepare, and help people work together.

Weekly Challenge

- Read Joshua 1:9 with a parent, caregiver, or teacher.
- Choose one helpful task and follow through on it this week.
- Encourage someone who is learning something new.
- Tell your family how God helped you take a brave step.



My Four Steps of Courage

Draw four footprints on a sheet of paper. Label them Listen, Remember, Prepare, and Take a Step. Under each footprint, write or draw one thing you can do this week. For example: listen to instructions, remember Joshua 1:9, gather what you need, and help with a family task. Share your plan with a trusted adult.

Listen

Remember

Prepare

Take a Step

Prayer

Dear God, thank You for being with me. Help me listen to Your Word, make good choices, and take the next right step. Give me courage when I feel nervous. Help me work with others and encourage them with kindness. In Jesus' name, Amen.

What I Learned

What brave and helpful step will you take this week? Write what you learned from Joshua.



Youth Sunday School Questions

Name: _____ Date: _____

Choose one answer for each question. Use the website to submit your answers and reflection privately to the church.

1. Who did God choose to lead the people after Moses died?

- A. David
- B. Joshua
- C. Jonah
- D. Noah

2. Which river were the people preparing to cross?

- A. The Nile River
- B. The Tigris River
- C. The Jordan River
- D. The Euphrates River

3. Why could Joshua be strong and courageous?

- A. God promised to be with him
- B. He never had to listen to anyone
- C. He already knew everything
- D. He could ignore every instruction

4. What did God tell Joshua to do with His instruction?

- A. Forget it after hearing it once
- B. Use it only when leading a meeting
- C. Keep it away from the people
- D. Think about it and do what it says

5. Which choice shows what we learned from Joshua?

- A. Refuse to help because a task is new
- B. Listen, prepare, and do your part with courage
- C. Tell everyone they must do all your work
- D. Give up before asking for help

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