



So the LORD gave Israel all the land he had sworn to give their ancestors, and they took possession of it and settled there.

—Joshua 21:43 NIV

SUMMARY

The sixth book of the OT records the fulfillment of God’s promise to Israel to dwell in the land of Canaan. The main character, Joshua, leads the people of Israel to conquer and possess the land under the divine enablement of Yahweh.

“The Book of Joshua records the fulfillment of the patriarchal promise as Israel appropriated the land pledged to her by her faithful God centuries before.” —Donald K. Campbell

“The book of Joshua stands as a bridge, a link between the Pentateuch and the rest of Scripture. It is crucial for understanding the unity of the Pentateuch has with all that follows it.” —Francis A. Schaeffer

SETTING

After the Exodus, the forty years of wandering, and the death of Moses, Israel, while camped on the plains of Moab, was commanded by God to cross the Jordan and possess the land of Canaan under the leadership of their newly commissioned leader, Joshua.

DOCTRINAL THEMES

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- The Book of Joshua confirms that God is a covenant keeping God.
- The Book of Joshua illustrates the spiritual principle of faith-obedience-blessing.
- The Book of Joshua highlights many of the attributes of God (faithfulness, holiness, sovereignty, omnipotence)
- The Book of Joshua confirms that “human effort” must be coupled to “divine enablement.” Thus, God will give the land to the Israelites, yet they must conquer and possess it.



JOSHUA TEACHING SCHEDULE

Jan	23 & 24	Joshua 1	Intro/The Commission of Joshua
	30 & 31	Joshua 2	Rahab and the Spies
Feb	6 & 7	Joshua 3	Crossing Jordan
	13 & 14	Joshua 4-5	Memorial Stone/Consecration
	20 & 21	Joshua 6 (5:13-15)	Jericho
Mar	27 & 28	Joshua 7-8	Ai (Achan)
	6 & 7	Joshua 13-14	Partial Inhabitation
	13 & 14	Joshua 22	A Tragic Misunderstanding
	20 & 21	Joshua 23-24	Joshua's Farewell

KEY BACKGROUND TEXTS

Genesis 12:1-8: Abrahamic Covenant—God's promise of land, seed, blessing.

Genesis 26:2-5: God's promise of the land to Isaac.

Genesis 28:13-15: God's promise of the land to Jacob.

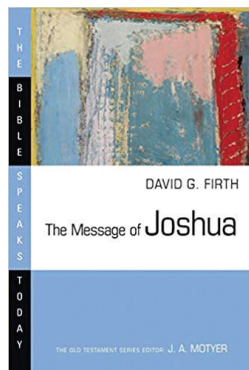
Exodus 3:15-17: God's promise to Moses to deliver them from slavery in Egypt to the land of Canaan.

Numbers 13-14: After a spy mission to Canaan, Joshua and Caleb are promised to enter the land, while the rest of the unbelieving generation will be shut out.

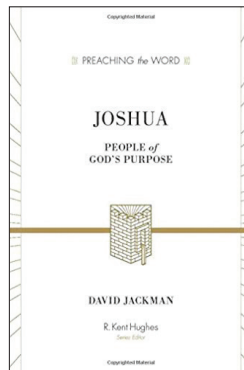
Numbers 27:15-23: Moses is told by the Lord to commission Joshua as his successor.

Deuteronomy 31:7-8: Moses sets up the Conquest of the land under Joshua's leadership.

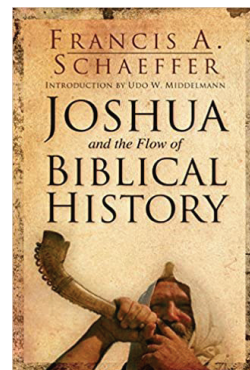
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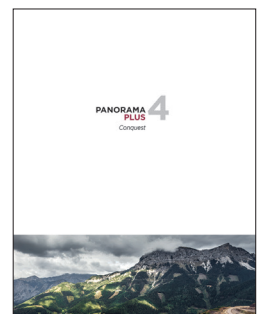
The Message of Joshua
(The Bible Speaks Today)
by David G. Firth



Joshua, People of God's Purpose
(Preaching the Word)
by David Jackman



Joshua and the Flow of Biblical History
by Francis A. Schaeffer



Panorama Plus 4—The Conquest
by Robert Cupp
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Reading plan for the book of Joshua during the study: January to March 2021

Week 1

1/25/2021 Joshua 1:1-1:18
1/26/2021 Joshua 2:1-14
1/27/2021 Joshua 2:15-24
1/28/2021 Joshua 3:1-17
1/29/2021 Joshua 4:1-24

Week 2

2/1/2021 Joshua 5:1-9
2/2/2021 Joshua 5:10-15
2/3/2021 Joshua 6:1-14
2/4/2021 Joshua 6:15-27
2/5/2021 Joshua 7:1-9

Week 3

2/8/2021 Joshua 7:10-29
2/9/2021 Joshua 8:1-23
2/10/2021 Joshua 8:24-35
2/11/2021 Joshua 9:1-15
2/12/2021 Joshua 9:16-27

Week 4

2/15/2021 Joshua 10:1-15
2/16/2021 Joshua 10:16-28
2/17/2021 Joshua 10:29-43
2/18/2021 Joshua 11:1-15
2/19/2021 Joshua 11:16-23

Week 5

2/22/2021 Joshua 12:1-24
2/23/2021 Joshua 13:1-7
2/24/2021 Joshua 13:8-32
2/25/2021 Joshua 14:1-5
2/26/2021 Joshua 14:6-15

Week 6

3/1/2021 Joshua 15:1-19
3/2/2021 Joshua 15:20-63
3/3/2021 Joshua 16:1-10
3/4/2021 Joshua 17:1-18
3/5/2021 Joshua 18:1-10

Week 7

3/8/2021 Joshua 18:11-28
3/9/2021 Joshua 19:1-16
3/10/2021 Joshua 19:17-39
3/11/2021 Joshua 19:40-51
3/12/2021 Joshua 20:1-9

Week 8

3/15/2021 Joshua 21:1-33
3/16/2021 Joshua 21:34-45
3/17/2021 Joshua 22:1-20
3/18/2021 Joshua 22:21-34
3/19/2021 Joshua 23:1-16

Week 9

3/22/2021 Joshua 24:1-13
3/23/2021 Joshua 24:14-28
3/24/2021 Joshua 24:29-33
3/25/2021 Hebrews 4:1-13
3/26/2021 Hebrews 11:29-31

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