



QUOTE OF THE WEEK

**COURAGE IS DOING WHAT YOU MUST DO
IN LIGHT OF CIRCUMSTANCES AND DESPITE THE CONSEQUENCES.
WHEREAS, GOD HAS NOT GIVEN US THE SPIRIT OF FEAR,
THEREFORE, THERE CAN BE NO COURAGE WHERE THERE IS NO FAITH!**

Sermon Series: Possessing the Promises of God!
(A Study through the Book of Joshua)

“Preparing for Transition!”

Sermon Text: Joshua 23 [NLT](#)
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INTRODUCTION

The thrust of the book is summed up in Joshua 21:43-45 [NLT](#).

Joshua is meeting the Leadership to inform them that his time of leading was coming to an end. There was no clear selection for someone to take his place. But Joshua was preparing the nation for **transition**. Not necessarily to a new leader, but to **lead themselves** according to God’s Word.

Life is always changing!
Unless we are aware of this, we will often find ourselves caught off guard and unprepared.

Someone once said, *“Your life is a story of transition. You are always leaving one chapter behind while moving on to the next.”*

This message is to help us with the transitions we face in our

- Culture
- Communities
- and even our Conscience

as implied in the events that Israel faced as they possessed the promises that God had given them.

FOUR PRINCIPLES TO REMEMBER AND APPLY WHEN LIFE BRINGS TRANSITIONS YOUR WAY...

1) _____ GOD'S PROMISES - Joshua 23:1-5 [NLT](#)

God's Promises are for:

- a) **Our Posterity** – For your lifetime! - Joshua 23:3a [NLT](#)
 - b) **Our Protection** - Joshua 23:3b [NLT](#)
 - c) **Our Possession** - Joshua 23:5 [NLT](#)
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2) _____ TO OBEY GOD'S WORD - Joshua 23:6-8 [NLT](#)

Obedience requires:

- a) **Attention to Andragogy** - Joshua 23:6 [NLT](#)

Andragogy refers the method and practice of teaching adult learners.

From the *Greek* **ἀνδρ-** (**andr-**), meaning "adult male"

and **ἀγωγός** (**agogos**), meaning "leader (learner) of"

Therefore, **andragogy** literally means "leading(learning) men (adult males)"

whereas "**pedagogy**" literally means "leading (learning) children"

- b) **Assessing Your Associates** - Joshua 23:7 [NLT](#); 1 Corinthians 15:33 [NLT](#)
 - c) **Attachment to Adonai** - Joshua 23:8 [NLT](#)
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3) _____ WHAT GOD HAS DONE - Joshua 23:9-11 [NLT](#)

- a) In Your **Past** - Joshua 23:9 [NLT](#)
 - b) In Your **Present** - Joshua 23:10 [NLT](#)
 - c) For Your **Passion** - Joshua 23:11 [NLT](#)
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4) _____ THE CONSEQUENCES OF COMPROMISE - Joshua 23:12-16 [NLT](#)

Realize:

- a) Compromise is not **Negotiable!** - Joshua 23:12, 16 [NLT](#)
 - b) Consequences are **Inevitable!** - Joshua 23:13, 15 [NLT](#)
 - c) Confidence **Enables!** - Joshua 23:14 [NLT](#)
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