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A BIBLE READING PLAN FOR BUSY BELIEVERS

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## JOSHUA: INTO THE LAND

Joshua divides into four parts:

**CROSS** 

1-5

Preparation for Land

CONQUER

6-12

Conquest of Land

DIVIDE

13-21

Distribution of Land

**SERVE** 

22-24

Renewal of Covenant

#### SOME OBSERVATIONS

- 1. Conquest is only about 25% of Book
- 2. Largest section is distribution of the Land
- 3. Strong emphasis on mirroring mirroring the Exodus (Joshua as new Moses)
- 4. The conclusion of Joshua mirrors the beginning of Deuteronomy in recounting the story of Israel.

#### CROSS: PREPARATION

- 1. Moses to Joshua: "I will be with you."
- 2. Scouting out Jericho (2 Spies)
- 3. Crossing the Jordan
- 4. Memorial Stones
- 5. Passover
  Circumcision
  Cessation of Mana (food from the Land)

### CONQUER: PURSUIT

- Central Campaign: 5 Chapters
  - Jericho / Rahab
  - Ai / Achan
- Southern Campaign: Half Chapter
- Northern Campaign: Half Chapter
- Summary of Conquests

#### DIVIDE: PORTIONS

- Longest section of the Book
- · We skip over passages such as these (much like a geographical genealogy), but this represented the fulfillment of God's promises to the patriarchs, beginning with Abraham
- 12 Tribes functioning as 1 nation

#### SERVE: PROMISES

- Joshua's Farewell Address (23)
- Covenant Renewal (24)
  - Retelling of Israel's story
  - · Renewal of Israel's covenant
  - Rejection of Israel's idols

Joshua 2:8 Before the men fell asleep, she went up on the roof 9 and said to them, "I know that the Lord has given you this land and that the terror of you has fallen on us, and everyone who lives in the land is panicking because of you.'c 10 For we have heard how the Lord dried up the water of the Red Sea before you when you came out of Egypt, and what you did to Sihon and Og, the two Amorite kings you completely destroyed across the Jordan. 11 When we heard this, we lost heart, and everyone's courage failed because of you, for the Lord your God is God in heaven above and on earth below.

Joshua 24:14 "Therefore, fear the Lord and worship him in sincerity and truth. Get rid of the gods your fathers worshiped beyond the **Euphrates River and in Egypt, and worship** the Lord. 15 But if it doesn't please you to worship the Lord, choose for yourselves today: Which will you worship-the gods your fathers worshiped beyond the Euphrates River or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you are living? As for me and my family, we will worship the Lord."