## **GRACE CHURCH LANCASTER SERMON NOTES**

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Joshua: What Voice Are You Listening To?

### **JOSHUA 1:7-18**

God's voice spoke to JOSHUA.

Strong and Courageous - vs. 6, 7, 9 & 18

The Opposite Is...

AFRAID and DISMAYED - vs. 9

Joshua can be strong and COURAGEOUS

Because of God's PRESENCE

## Why would he need to be strong and courageous?

- 1. Troublesome ENEMIES
  - GIANTS!
  - WALLS!
- 2. Tough EXPERIENCES
  - Crossing a river with hundreds of thousands of people, while at flood stage!
- 3. Temptations EVERYWHERE
  - IDOLATRY
  - INTERMARRYING
  - Settling for LESS

# How would he hear God's voice through all of this?

Observe or PAY ATTENTION - vs. 7

- 1. KNOW the Scriptures
- 2. OBEY the Scriptures
  - Don't get OFF TRACK.
  - Keep your eyes set on the RIGHT THING.
    - Philippians 4:8
- 3. MEDIDTATE on the Scriptures vs. 8

WHY? - vs. 8

Do you want spiritual success and spiritual wealth? Read, study and meditate on the BIBLE.

We do this in order to ACT on it. "observe and do"

When God said it, Joshua OBEYED it! - Vs. 10-11

#### What about us?

- 1. What VOICE are you listening to?
- 2. Are you getting off TRACK?
- 3. Know the Scripture in order to know the One who BREATHED the Words. 2 Timothy 3:16-17
- 4. Know Scripture in order to DO what it says.

Have you strayed far from the Master's voice?

## **OTHER NOTES:**