



A leader is...*anyone who has followers*

A leader's responsibility is to... *unify and mobilize*

How can we unify and mobilize?

Utilize the resources God has entrusted to us.

¹⁰So Joshua ordered the officers of the people: ¹¹“Go through the camp and tell the people, ‘Get your supplies ready. Three days from now you will cross the Jordan here to go in and take possession of the land the LORD your God is giving you for your own.’” **Joshua 1:10-11**

Key resources God uses in each of us

*T*ime

*T*alent

*T*reasure

*T*ouch

Never forget the promises **God gave to empower us.**

¹¹Three days from now you will cross the Jordan here to go in and take possession of the land the LORD your God is giving you for your own...¹³Remember the command that Moses the servant of the LORD gave you: ‘The LORD your God is giving you rest and has granted you this land.’ **Joshua 1:11, 13**

Remember the key to seeing God's promises is our submission to

God's Word & the God of the Word

I include everyone **in the plan.**

“But to the Reubenites, the Gadites and the half-tribe of Manasseh, Joshua said...” **Joshua 1:13**

What was everyone seeking?

(Psalm 62:1-2; 2 Peter 1:3; 1 Corinthians 12:25-27)

T otally Commit **ourselves to the vision.**

“They answered Joshua, ‘We will do whatever you command us, and we will go wherever you send us.’” **Joshua 1:16**

E nthusiastically **pursue the cause!**

“¹⁷ We will obey you just as we obeyed Moses. And may the LORD your God be with you as he was with Moses. ¹⁸ Anyone who rebels against your word and does not obey your every command will be put to death. So be strong and courageous!” **Joshua 1:17-18**

“The most important thing is that I complete my mission,
the work that the Lord Jesus gave me –
to tell people the Good News about God's grace.”
Acts. 20:24 (NCV)

Deck Discussion Questions

Coming Together: What is the best advice a leader has ever given you? What is the best advice you have ever given?

Growing in Our Understanding: Read Joshua 1:10-18. What were the key characteristics that united the people under Joshua's leadership and prepared them to conquer the land? How do the people respond to Joshua's challenge (see vv. 16-18)? If you have any questions about Joshua 1:1-18, write them down. Where can you discover the answers?

Unwrapping God's Principles: What was the Israelites responsibility in obtaining the land (1:2, 7-18)? How does this relate to our ability to experience God's promises in our day to day lives (see Hebrews 4:11, 6:9-12)? Read Joshua 1:13 and Psalm 95:7-11. What kept the wilderness generation from experience "rest in God"? How can we experience "rest in God" today? (Ps. 62:1-2)

Influencing Our World: What can we do in our day to day lives to prepare ourselves to experience the promises of God? How might Joshua 1:16-18 provide an example of how we should interact with our leaders?

Deepening Our Hearts for God: How well are you carrying out God's commands and acting on His promises? Which have been particularly difficult to follow this last week? How can someone help?

Looking Ahead: Read Joshua 2:1-24. Who are the people God uses to accomplish His purposes in this passage? What characteristics make them likely or unlikely instruments for God to use If you are reading through Joshua then read chapters 5-6 this week.