Keeping Our Commitments #12 in a Series on Victorious Living, Joshua 10:1-15 Pastor Chico Goff

When we make a commitment, God expects us to...

1. Recognize our responsibilities.

"Come up and help me attack Gibeon...because it has made peace with Joshua and the Israelites." (v. 4)

• Joshua made a peace treaty with the Gibeonites. (Josh. 9:15)

The God holds us <u>responsible</u> for the <u>commitments</u> we make.

Principle Num. 30:1-2; Eccl. 5:4-5; Mt. 5:37

2. Complete what we started.

"So <u>Joshua marched up from Gilgal</u> with his entire army, including all the best fighting men." (v. 7)

Notice...

a) The <u>expense</u> committed to keeping the commitment. "So Joshua marched up from Gilgal <u>with his entire army</u>, including all the best fighting men." (v. 7)

b) The <u>effort</u> committed to keeping the commitment. "After an <u>all-night march from Gilgal</u>, Joshua took them by surprise." (v. 9)

"Happy is the person who remains faithful under trials, because when he succeeds in passing such a test, he will receive as his reward the life which God has promised to those who love him."

James 1:12 (TEV)

3. Rely upon His resources.

"The LORD said to Joshua, 'Do not be afraid of them; I have given them into your hand." (v. 8)

God's resources available to us include...

- ... His <u>promises</u> to encourage us. (v. 8) (Josh. 1:5-6; Prov. 3:5-6; Phil. 1:6)
- ... His <u>power</u> to energize us. (v. 12)

Key: I can release God's <u>power</u> in my life through <u>prayer!</u>

Col. 1:11; Eph. 3:14-16; 6:18-20

... His provisions to equip us. (vv. 11-13)

What commitments do you need God to help you keep?