

RISK TAKERS

Deuteronomy 34:1 – 12 (NIV); Joshua 1:9 (NIV) November 26, 2023 Austin Gray, Youth Pastor

MESSAGE NOTES

Then Moses climbed Mount Nebo from the plains of Moab to the top of Pisgah, across from Jericho. There the Lord showed him the whole land—from Gilead to Dan, all of Naphtali, the territory of Ephraim and Manasseh, all the land of Judah as far as the Mediterranean Sea, the Negev and the whole region from the Valley of Jericho, the City of Palms, as far as Zoar. Then the Lord said to him, "This is the land I promised on oath to Abraham, Isaac and Jacob when I said, 'I will give it to your descendants.' I have let you see it with your eyes, but you will not cross over into it."

And Moses the servant of the Lord died there in Moab, as the Lord had said. He buried him in Moab, in the valley opposite Beth Peor, but to this day no one knows where his grave is. Moses was a hundred and twenty years old when he died, yet his eyes were not weak nor his strength gone. The Israelites grieved for Moses in the plains of Moab thirty days, until the time of weeping and mourning was over.

Now Joshua son of Nun was filled with the spirit of wisdom because Moses had laid his hands on him. So the Israelites listened to him and did what the Lord had commanded Moses.

Since then, no prophet has risen in Israel like Moses, whom the Lord knew face to face, who did all those signs and wonders the Lord sent him to do in Egypt—to Pharaoh and to all his officials and to his whole land. For no one has ever shown the mighty power or performed the awesome deeds that Moses did in the sight of all Israel. — Deuteronomy 34:1-12 (NIV)

"Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go." — Joshua 1:9 (NIV)

- 1. To RISK is to receive
- 2.To RISK means to remember
- 3.To RISK is to rest
- 4. RISK new relationships



DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- What risks did Moses take in leading the Israelites, and how did it impact their journey?
- Reflect on God's promises to Joshua as he took on the leadership role. How do these promises apply to our lives when we take risks for God?
- In Joshua 1:9, God encourages Joshua not to be afraid. How can we overcome fear when faced with uncertainty or risks in our lives?
- Joshua sought God's guidance before making decisions. How can we cultivate a habit of seeking God's guidance when taking risks or making important decisions?
- Discuss the relationship between faith and taking risks. How does faith in God empower us to step out of our comfort zones?
- Reflect on instances in the Bible where taking risks had positive outcomes and where it led to challenges. What can we learn from these examples?
- How can our faith community support and encourage each other when individuals are taking risks for God? Share examples of times when you felt supported during a challenging endeavor.
- Identify areas in your life where you feel God is calling you to take risks. How can you practically apply the principles discussed in the sermon to step out in faith?

