

INVITATION & RESPONSE Deuteronomy 34:9, Joshua 1:1 – 9 (NIV) June 16, 2024 Danny Bowers, Executive Pastor

MESSAGE NOTES

Then Moses set out with Joshua his aide, and Moses went up on the mountain of God... – Exodus 24:13 (NIV)

Joshua son of Nun, who had been Moses' aide since youth, spoke up ... – Numbers 11:28 (NIV)

Joshua son of Nun and Caleb son of Jephunneh, who were among those who had explored the land, tore their clothes and said to the entire Israelite assembly, "The land we passed through and explored is exceedingly good. If the Lord is pleased with us, He will lead us into that land, a land flowing with milk and honey, and will give it to us. Only do not rebel against the Lord. And do not be afraid of the people of the land, because we will devour them. Their protection is gone, but the Lord is with us. Do not be afraid of them." But the whole assembly talked about stoning them. Then the glory of the Lord appeared at the tent of meeting to all the Israelites. – Numbers 14:6 - 10 (NIV)

Now Joshua's 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. – Deuteronomy 34:9 (NIV)

1. Mentoring & Discipling is empowering to all involved

After the death of Moses, the servant of the Lord, the Lord said to Joshua son of Nun, Moses' aide: "Moses My servant is dead. Now then, you and all these people, get ready to cross the Jordan River into the land I am about to give to them—to the Israelites. I will give you every place where you set your foot, as I promised Moses. Your territory will extend from the desert to Lebanon, and from the great river, the Euphrates—all the Hittite country—to the Mediterranean Sea in the west. No one will be able to stand against you all the days of your life. As I was with Moses, so I will be with you; I will never leave you nor forsake you. Be strong and courageous, because you will lead these people to inherit the land, I swore to their ancestors to give them. "Be strong and very courageous. Be careful to obey all the law My servant Moses gave you; do not turn from it to the right or to the left, that you may be successful wherever you go. Keep this Book of the Law always on your lips; meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do everything written in it. Then you will be prosperous and successful. 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 1:1 — 9 (NIV)



DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- Discussion Starter: Who in your life has significantly impacted you with their time? What growth impact did they give you that you still carry with you today?
- In this order, read Exodus 24:13, Numbers 11:28, Numbers 14:6–10, and Deuteronomy 34:9. What visual images do these texts create for you?
- Moses gave Joshua a blessing as a passing on of leadership. Has that ever been modeled to you in your life? How was that experience for you?
- Joshua was with Moses at very crucial and significant times. What question would you love to ask Joshua if he were here today? What question would you love to ask Moses about mentoring Joshua if he were here today?
- *"Busyness is one key aspect that will destroy any healthy relationship."* Would you describe your schedule as busy? If so, what is one slight change you can make to increase the time you have to give to others?
- Who in your life right now can you gift time to with an intentional mentoring relationship?

