



Outline of Joshua

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Joshua's Farewell

JOSHUA 23-24

Joshua 23:1-3 ESV

A long time afterward, when **the LORD had given rest to Israel** from all their surrounding enemies, and **Joshua was old and well advanced in years,** ² Joshua summoned all Israel, its elders and heads, its judges and officers, and said to them, “I am now old and well advanced in years. ³ And you have seen all that the LORD your God has done to all these nations for your sake, for it is the LORD your God who has fought for you.”



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Joshua 23:6-8 ESV

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Holiness

Exodus 19:6 ESV

“‘and you shall be to me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation.’ These are the words that you shall speak to the people of Israel.”

1 Peter 2:9 ESV

But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light.

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**Are you a tolerant or
intolerant person?**

- MICKEY RAPIER

*To Hunter House in front of 1,200 people on the Sunday he
just wanted to worship Jesus with his wife.*

Christians in 2021

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**Biblical Community
& A Healthy Church**

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God Has Been Faithful

Joshua 23:14 ESV

“And now I am about to go the way of all the earth, and you know in your hearts and souls, all of you, that **not one word has failed** of all the good things that the LORD your God promised concerning you. **All have come to pass** for you; not one of them has failed.”

It Was All God's Doing

Joshua 24:13 ESV

“**I gave you** a land on which you had not labored and cities that you had not built, and you dwell in them. You eat the fruit of vineyards and olive orchards that you did not plant.”



Serve the Lord

**Fear the Lord &
Throw Away False Gods**

Choose Whom You'll Serve &
Follow My Example

Joshua 24:14-15 ESV

“Now therefore fear the LORD and serve him in sincerity and in faithfulness. Put away the gods that your fathers served beyond the River and in Egypt, and serve the LORD. ¹⁵ And if it is evil in your eyes to serve the LORD, choose this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your fathers served in the region beyond the River, or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you dwell. But as for me and my house, we will serve the LORD.”



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To serve; to work

Mentioned 16 times in Joshua 24 alone

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Joshua 24:21-23 ESV

And the people said to Joshua, “No, but we will serve the LORD.” ²² Then Joshua said to the people, “You are witnesses against yourselves that you have chosen the LORD, to serve him.” And they said, “We are witnesses.” ²³ He said, **“Then put away the foreign gods that are among you, and incline your heart to the LORD, the God of Israel.”**

Joshua 24:29-31 ESV

After these things Joshua the son of Nun, the servant of the LORD, died, being 110 years old. ³⁰ And they buried him in his own inheritance at Timnath-serah, which is in the hill country of Ephraim, north of the mountain of Gaash. ³¹ **Israel served the LORD all the days of Joshua,** and all the days of the elders who outlived Joshua and had known all the work that the LORD did for Israel.

The Forgotten Faithfulness

Judges 2:8-10 ESV

And Joshua the son of Nun, the servant of the LORD, died at the age of 110 years. ⁹ And they buried him within the boundaries of his inheritance in Timnath-heres, in the hill country of Ephraim, north of the mountain of Gaash. ¹⁰ And all that generation also were gathered to their fathers. **And there arose another generation after them who did not know the LORD or the work that he had done for Israel.**

A wide-angle photograph of a desert landscape. The foreground shows the textured, undulating slopes of sand dunes in shades of tan and brown. In the middle ground, a narrow, light-colored road or path winds through the valley between the dunes. The background is filled with more distant, hazy dunes under a pale, overcast sky. The overall atmosphere is one of vastness and solitude.

God's faithfulness
doesn't end with us.

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If we don't invest in the future of the
church, our church has no future.

- JONATHAN POKLUDA

Welcoming the Future Church

What's next?

Where has compromise contaminated your character?

Where is your source of hope and direction each day?

How are you passing on stories of God's faithfulness?