



## Let's Get Going! (Part 2)

Joshua 1:10-18

Series: *The Venture And Victory Of Faith* on Joshua (#2)

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Theme: **Accomplishing God's work requires leading and following.**

### Leading.

1. Take the initiative.

(10; see also 1:12-15; 2:1; 3:1-6; Acts 20:28, 31; Titus 1:5)

2. Lead according to God's word.

(10-13; see also 3:7-17; 4:1-7, 15-18; 5:2-3, 15; 6:1-20; 7:13-16; 8:1-8, 30-35; 23:6-8; Acts 20:25-32; Colossians 1:28; 2 Timothy 2:14-15; 4:1-5; Titus 1:5; Hebrews 3:13)

3. Delegate leadership.

(10-11; see also 2:1; 3:2; 18:3-6; Acts 6:1-7; Titus 1:5)

### Following.

1. Be committed to God's purposes for the whole group.

(12-15; see also Numbers 32:1-42; Deuteronomy 3:12-22; Acts 6:1-7; Romans 12:10; 14:13-21; 1 Corinthians 8:1-13; Philippians 2:1-4; Colossians 1:28; 2 Timothy 3:17)

2. Be committed to obey those leading.

(16; see also 4:8; 1 Corinthians 16:15-16; 1 Thessalonians 5:12-13; 1 Timothy 5:17; Hebrews 13:7, 17)

3. Be committed to bless those leading.

(17; see also Ephesians 6:19; 1 Thessalonians 5:12-13, 25; 2 Thessalonians 3:1; 1 Timothy 5:17; Hebrews 13:17-19)

4. Be committed to accountability and discipline.

(18; see also 7:1-26; 22:10-34; Matthew 18:15-18; Acts 5:1-11; 1 Corinthians 5:12-13; 2 Corinthians 2:5-11; Galatians 6:1; Ephesians 5:21; 2 Thessalonians 3:6-15; 1 Timothy 5:19-20; Titus 3:10-11; James 5:16; 1 Peter 5:5)

## In My Life This Week

As you use this daily guide, write out your observations and responses on a separate piece of paper and save them with this sheet for reference.

**Monday.** Read Joshua 1:1-18. It was God's time for Israel to get going, to move into, to take possession of the land He was giving them. God would continue to go ahead of them and fight for them, but they needed to be strong and courageous, face the conflict and move forward in faith. Transfer these principles to your walk with God, and keep them front and center throughout this week.

**Tuesday.** Accomplishing God's work requires leading and following. All of us lead and follow in different roles and relationships. Review the three qualities of leading we noted on Sunday, and some of the Bible references in the outline about them. Do you struggle with any (or all) of them? Where have you and will you be leading others this week? Ask God to help you lead with these qualities today, and deeply ingrain them into your way of leading.

**Wednesday.** Sometimes it can be more difficult to follow than to lead. Why do you think that is so? One principle for following well is to be committed to God's purposes for the whole group (check the outline). Why is this sometimes difficult? A second principle for following well is to obey those leading. Why do you think we tend to downplay this and/or soften the edges of obedience?

**Thursday.** Have you followed others well so far this week? In addition to the principles we reviewed yesterday, following well involves blessing those who are leading. Check the Bible references on this. Another principle or quality is to be committed to accountability and discipline? Why do you think the people made the strong commitment in verse 18? What lessons can you take from that and the other Scripture references?

**Friday–Saturday.** On Sunday we will continue in Joshua with 2:1-24. Read through these verses as part of your preparation for our time of worship together.