

## Don't Forget... a study of Joshua

Be Strong and Courageous – Joshua 1

### PREPARE

#### Read Psalm 25:1-7

<sup>1</sup> To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul;

<sup>2</sup> in you I trust, O my God.

Do not let me be put to shame,  
nor let my enemies triumph over me.

<sup>3</sup> No one whose hope is in you  
will ever be put to shame,  
but they will be put to shame  
who are treacherous without excuse.

<sup>4</sup> Show me your ways, O Lord,  
teach me your paths;

<sup>5</sup> guide me in your truth and teach me,  
for you are God my Savior,  
and my hope is in you all day long.

<sup>6</sup> Remember, O Lord, your great mercy and love,  
for they are from of old.

<sup>7</sup> Remember not the sins of my youth  
and my rebellious ways;  
according to your love remember me,  
for you are good, O Lord.

- **How does this Psalm strengthen your courage to face your struggles and obstacles?**

### REFLECT

In your core group, briefly discuss one of these three questions. Break into triads if necessary.

1. How have you experienced the blessing of God in these past few weeks?
2. What burdens, worries, or anxieties have you been carrying and would appreciate prayer for?
3. What's a next step looking forward that you are excited about, fearful about, or uncertain about and want to step out in faith and need prayer support for?

### STUDY

#### Read Joshua 1

*God has prepared Joshua to take over the leadership of God's people from Moses*

- What feelings do you imagine Joshua might have had as he takes over for Moses?

Read the following passages which talk about Joshua's preparation to be a leader:

- Exodus 17:8-15
  - Exodus 33:7-11
  - Numbers 14:1-9
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- In Joshua 1, what does God tell Joshua about being a leader?
  - How does this connect with your life? Where are you a “leader” at home/school/work/relationally?

Read and react to the following New Testament verses about courage:

- Romans 8:15-17
- 1 Corinthians 16:13-14
- 2 Corinthians 4:7-11
- Ephesians 6:10-18
- 2 Timothy 1:7
- Hebrews 13:5-6

## **RESPONSE**

- In what situations of your life is God calling you to be “strong and courageous”?
- What spiritual habits do you need to practice in order to grow in your trust of Jesus?
- Take a few minutes to be quiet and still, allow these words of God to envelop your heart: “As I was with Moses, so I will be with you; I will never leave you nor forsake you.”

Close in Prayer: List prayer requests here.