

# BIBLE STUDY

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## Joshua and the Promised Land

### Part Two

### Forward

Wonderful stories have been written about Joshua crossing the Jordan and his numerous triumphant battles settling the Promised Land. Inspiring songs have been written and are sung every week of how the "Walls came Tumbling Down." Yet, with all that is written, sung and studied, few Christians understand

that God has hidden deep within those scriptures the mysteries of the future coming of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. That is because most do not understand the duality of God's plan of salvation. This Bible Study Lesson will cover those accounts and unveil what has been hidden for centuries to most of professing Christianity. You will see from the pages of your own Bible, how the past gives us the insight into the time prophesied to take place just before our own "Promised Land," the millennial reign of Jesus Christ.

# The Walls Came Falling Down

This is the very first Audio Video Bible Study being published by the Church of God, Ministries International. We would appreciate your comments once you've completed this first lesson to help us with future studies and development.

## BEFORE YOU BEGIN

Before you begin, we recommend you first view the DVD in its entirety. These sermons / studies are terrific for sermon messages for Sabbath Services. They are also the perfect way to lead into a group Bible Study. If you prefer, you can view them privately or with your family for your own personal studies. Once you have viewed the DVD, test your knowledge by answering all the questions in the accompanying materials. Be sure to read all the scriptures quoted in the materials or on the DVD. This way you won't be taking our word for it, you will be proving God's Word for yourself. Finally, view the DVD again with the questions and answers in hand; pausing the DVD from time to time finding all the answers to complete your study.

Whether you use this study personally or with a group, God's Holy Spirit will lead you into truth and understanding that will open your mind to a greater and deeper understanding. Each study you complete will enrich your life as only God can do. May God bless you as you learn more of His Way and His Holy Word. Finally, as with all things, we recommend you begin your study with prayer, asking God to open your mind to understand His Way and guide your every step.

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Joshua and the Promised Land series will be delivered in three parts. First is "The Edge of Eternity." Part two is entitled "The Walls came Tumbling Down," and part three is entitled, "Conquest of the Promised Land."

This lesson covers the background of events that brought the Israelites to Egypt and captivity; and gives you the insight into God's plan to bring the children of Israel into the Promised Land. It will take you up to the time when God begins to move the children across the Jordan and what that means for us today.

### Events leading to the Promised Land

The children of Israel had spent forty years in the desert, waiting for the time to go into the Promised Land.

**1.** Was there any other significance for the children of Israel to go to the Promised Land other than finally getting out of the wilderness? Gen 12:1-3, Ex. 3:23-25

### Journeys of Abraham

This lesson covers the specific journeys of Abraham that led the children of Israel into Egypt and their rescue by God having Moses lead them out of bondage. If you would like to know more on the subject of Abraham and the Covenant Promises, please write for our *Free* Audio / Video Bible Study Lesson, "The Divine Destiny of America."

**Comment:** To get a better understanding of Abraham's journeys, take a moment to map out for yourself Abraham's route. You can go to the section of the DVD that shows the scriptures of his journey; pausing the DVD as you look up all the scriptures. Then you can map them out on the worksheet provided. This will provide you insight that reading the scriptures alone just won't do without a thorough study.

**1.** Where was Abraham located

## FINDING THE ANSWERS TO THE QUESTIONS

Each question is designed to let the Bible answer the question for you. Be sure to read each scripture and let the Bible give you the answers to interpret itself.

when God began to speak to him?  
Gen 12:1

**2.** How old was Abraham when God told him to get from his country and kindred? Gen. 12:4

**Notice:** In verse four Abraham departed from Haran. We find in Gen. 15:7 that God says He brought Abraham out of Ur of the Chaldeans. Gen 15:7 Then He said to him, "I am the Lord, who brought you out of Ur of the Chaldeans, to give you this land to inherit it."

**3.** Does the Bible contradict itself? Gen. 11:31

The Bible does not contradict itself, we simply must let it interpret itself. When you do that, everything fits perfectly. We see clearly that God began working with Abraham many years before He actually spoke to him to leave Haran. It was in Haran that Abraham acquired his wealth and increased goods. That alone was a test in itself. Imagine you have a successful thriving occupation, being told to give it all up and just go.

### Abraham's Journey into Egypt

**1.** What event drove Abraham into Egypt? Gen 12:10

**2.** Where did Abraham fail his first major test? Gen 12:10

**3.** What did he do there that might have ruined God's plan for all mankind, if God didn't intervene? Gen 12:11-20

Abraham was being molded and shaped for his ultimate test; that of being willing to offer his son Isaac

## Duality of Christ' Two Ministries

**Moses:** Now the man Moses was very meek, above all the men that were on the face of the earth. Num. 12:3  
Moses came to deliver the children from bondage, He had to overcome Pharaoh (Satan in Type)  
**Moses** means: drawn forth, or deliver

**Joshua** means: Jehovah is Salvation  
Joshua came as conqueror to overthrow the existing powers, to settle in the Promised Land, and to usher in the government of God; a type of millennial reign

**Matthew 11:29** "For I am meek and lowly in heart..."  
Jesus' first ministry was to overcome sin and the god of this world, and to redeem us from bondage as Moses did bringing Israel from Egypt (bondage). When Christ returns, He'll be coming in power, like Joshua to overcome this world.  
**Rev. 19:11-12** "And I saw heaven opened, and behold a white horse; and He that sat upon him was called Faithful and True, and in righteousness He doth judge and make war. His eyes were as a flame of fire, and on His head were many crowns; and He had a name written, that no man knew, but He Himself.

in obedience to God on the altar. If you would like to know more on this subject, please write for the Audio / Video Bible Study Sermon, "A Nation Born in a Day."

When you consider what God was doing, and His mercy, we can see that many times in our own lives, we don't understand why things happen to us as they do, but in looking back, we can see that they were for a purpose, a plan that God has for each one of us.

4. Where did Abraham settle after leaving Egypt? Gen 13:1-4, 18

5. What event took place following the separation of Abraham and Lot? Gen 13:14-17

6. What did God do at this time? Gen 13:5-13

### Covenant with Abraham

1. When did God establish His Covenant with Abraham? Gen 12:2-3

2. Did God reconfirm the covenant with Abraham after departing from Lot? Gen 13:14-16

3. What prophetic warning did God give to Abraham that would change the course of history? Gen 15:13-16

### Children of Israel in Captivity

1. What major catastrophe took place that would eventually bring the Israelites to Egypt? Gen. 37:20-36

2. How long did the children of Israel sojourn in Egypt? Ex. 12:40

3. How long were the Israelites in the wilderness? Num 14:33

4. Why did God require them to wander in the wilderness? Num 14:26-38

### Joshua, Entering the Promised Land

1. Did God tell Joshua and the Israelites what land would be theirs? Josh. 1:3-4

**Comment:** Before continuing, take a few moments to review the DVD and map out the territory that God promised would be theirs. Once you have done that, get a current Atlas of the world, and notice how much of that land is occupied by the Arab countries today. You will be able to see why there is so much conflict in that region.

### Moses Forbidden to Enter the Promised Land

1. Why didn't God allow Moses to enter the Promised Land? Deut 32:51, Num 20:7-13

2. Did Moses get to see the Promised Land? Deut 32:52

**Comment:** God was very merciful to allow Moses to see the Promised Land, even though he was not allowed to go in.

The importance of what God has left for us is understood in the duality of type and anti-type. We can see from the understanding of Moses, that if Christ sinned, or failed to give God the glory, He would not return to His Father, Satan would have had his victory.

3. Where did God bring Moses to see the Promised Land? Deut 32:49-50

4. What did God do with the body of Moses after he died in the mountain? Deut 34:5-6

5. What message was God conveying by Moses not entering the Promised Land? Matt 5:16, John 17:4

**Comment:** Today there is a shrine on top of Mt. Nebo where tens of thousands of visitors go every year. They built a shrine of the serpent described in Num. 32:9. It is important to note that God hid Moses' body so that the people would not have it to worship as people are doing with the shrine built of the serpent on Mt. Nebo.

### Duality of Leadership

Moses and Joshua were the types of the two fold purpose of Christ' ministry; specifically His first and second coming. Moses came as the type of Savior.





*The above picture shows the view Moses would have seen from the top of Mt. Nebo. The picture above is covered in greater detail in this sermon study of this lesson. Note the barren looking pole just left of center. Any ideas? You will find out what it is when you review the DVD.*

# 1. What was Joshua's original name? Num 13:16

The name Oshea means; salvation or deliverer;  
The name Joshua means; Jehovah is salvation.

## God Transfers Leadership

### 1. Why did Joshua and Caleb get to go into the Promised Land? Num 14:22, Num 32:11-13

### 2. Does that have any significance for God's people today? Rev. 20:4

### 3. Did God warn Joshua that it would not be easy? Deut 31:6, 7, 27; Josh 1: 6, 7, 9, 18

We can see in these two chapters that God gave Joshua "seven admonitions" to be strong and of good courage.

### 4. Does this sound like any admonitions in the New Testament? Rev. 2 & 3

When you study the letters to the seven churches, God admonishes each one of them by stating that "to him that overcomes" would be granted to be with Him in the Kingdom. That is what God was telling Joshua. If he was to overcome, he would have to be strong and of good courage.

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### 5. Does the Bible show us that the criteria was met for Joshua? Deut 31:7-8, Josh 3:7

### 6. What warning does God give to those who try to take

upon themselves authority not approved by God? John 10:1

### 7. What is God looking for in us to be able to enter His Kingdom? Num 14:22-24

### 8. What does God promise to those who overcome? Rev. 20:4

## Covenant Established with the Second Generation

### 1. What was the covenant God made with the children of Israel before entering the Promised Land? Josh 16-17

### 2. What about today? Does God still make covenants with those He is calling? Acts 2:37-40

Take a few moments to read the entire second chapter of Acts to get the full picture.

## Crossing the Jordan

### 1. What were the Israelites required to do to go across the Jordan? Josh 3:1-3

### 2. Why were they instructed to follow the ark? Josh 3:4

### 3. What else were they instructed to do? Josh 3: 5

### 4. What significance does that have on us? Ex. 19:10, John 17:7

Today God's people are called, and set apart for a holy purpose

### 5. What happened when the priest put their feet in the water? Josh 3:13-17

### 6. When did they cross the Jordan? Josh 4:18-19

