

Joshua
CPBC
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Introduction:

- Joshua in the OT is like Ephesians in the NT – victory over sin in the Lord Jesus
- How?
 - Be filled with the Holy Spirit –Eph 5:18
 - All the people passed over the Jordan (Joshua 3:17)
 - Symbol of God’s children living abundantly and victoriously in the Promised Land
 - There will be spiritual warfare, but obedience brings God’s victory
- Exodus shows a picture of being saved from the penalty of sin, when the Israelites came out of Egypt
- God’s plan was to take them across the Jordan into the Promised Land – land of victory
- Unbelief kept them out for 40 years
- Now going into Promised Land (victory) to live

Author:

- Joshua – except for the ending
- Maybe written by Phinehas a priest

Purpose:

- Give history of Israel’s conquest of the Promised Land

Key Verse:

- ...cross over this Jordan, to go in to possess the land which the Lord your God is giving you to possess (1:11)

Outline:

- I. Crossing the River (1-5)**
- II. Conquering the Enemy (6-12)**
- III. Claiming the Inheritance (13-24)**

I. Crossing the River (1-5)

- God speaks to Joshua (1:1-9)
- Joshua speaks to the people (1:10-15)
- People speak to Joshua (1:16-18)
- Covenant with Rahab (2)
- Crossing of Jordan (3-5)

II. Conquering the Enemy (6-12)

- Conquering Jericho, Ai, Gibeon
 - Trusting God for the impossible – Jericho (6)
 - Defeat at Ai – sin of Achan –(7)
 - Victory at Ai (8)
 - Deception of the Gibeonites (9)

III. Claiming the Inheritance (13-24)

- Caleb the overcomer (14-15)
 - Sufferer
 - Defender
 - Wanderer
 - Conqueror
- Joshua's final counsel (23-24)
 - Address to the leaders (23)
 - Appeal to the people (24:1-28)
 - Achievement for the Lord (24:29-33)