

Forward Together #2: "Putting God First" November 1 & 2, 2025

Joshua 1:1-9

Opener:

Think of someone you knew who consistently put God first in their life. What did that look like practically? What impact did it have on you?

Go Deeper: (Exploring the Bible)

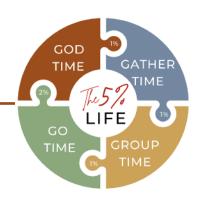
- 1. **Read Joshua 1:1-9.** Count the times God mentions His presence or makes a promise. Why do you think God repeats Himself, and what does this reveal about what we need to hear?
- 2. **Compare Joshua 1:5 with Hebrews 13:5-6.** How does the writer of Hebrews connect God's promise to Joshua with our lives today? What does this tell us about the continuity of God's faithfulness across generations?
- 3. **Read Hebrews 11:13-16 and 39-40.** What made these imperfect people "saints" in God's eyes? How does this challenge or comfort your understanding of what it means to be faithful?
- 4. **Look at Joshua 1:7-8 alongside Psalm 1:1-3.** What role does God's Word play in Joshua's success? How does meditating on Scripture "day and night" connect to putting God first?
- 5. **Read 2 Corinthians 5:14-15.** How does Paul describe the motivation for putting God first? How is this different from obligation or guilt-driven obedience?

Live It: (Applying to Daily Life)

- 1. God Time (1% of your day): What would need to change for you to give God the "first fruits" of your day this week?
- 2. Gather Time (1% of your week): What obstacles keep you from consistent gathering, and how might God be calling you to overcome them?
- 3. Group Time (1% of your month): Are you currently in a small group, Bible study, or ministry team? If not, what's holding you back? If so, how has it helped you?
- 4. Go Time (2% of your year): What step could you take this year—as a pray-er, sender, or goer—to share in God's mission?
- 5. Treasure: If someone looked at your bank statement and calendar, would they be able to tell that God is first in your life? What would it look like for you to take a courageous step of faith with your treasure this month?



GOD TIME:



Daily Bible Readings (November 2-8)

Sun: Joshua 1:1-9 Putting God First

Mon: Deuteronomy 31:1-8 God's Promise to Moses & Joshua

Tues: Hebrews 11:1-16 The Faith of the Saints

Wed: Hebrews 11:32-12:2 The Great Cloud of Witnesses

Thurs: Matthew 6:25-34 Seek First the Kingdom
Fri: Philippians 4:10-20 God Supplies Every Need

Sat: Psalm 23 The Lord is My Shepherd