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Finishing With a Flurry Joshua 14

Ready to start making inheritance allotments, 1-5

All involved: Eleazer, Joshua, tribal leaders, lots (Num. 26:52ff., 33:54) Arithmetic: 9 1/2 tribes = next up / east tribes = done / Levites = none Authority: *As the Lord commanded* (2x) and expressed through lots.

Request by Caleb for a famously difficult inheritance, 6-12

ORequest begins with reminder that Caleb *followed the Lord fully* (8b,14b)—recall Num. 13:25ff. Note his age clarifies Joshua's age. God had earlier promised Caleb his own land one day (Dt. 1:34--36). ORecall 11:21,21, 12:10b had summarized this upcoming victory over the Anakim, while here we get more background. Later in 15:13-14 we get more specifics of Caleb's activity (even more in Jdgs. 1:9-15).

Request by Caleb granted with a blessing, 13-15

OWithout hesitation Joshua gives Caleb the land. Was Joshua shocked? OWhy is Caleb's attitude a crucial example for the Israelites? Cf. 17:16. Why is Caleb's attitude so important for us who are older? When is it time to slow down and relax as a believer? Phil. 3:14

