

Introduction to Joshua

Why is Joshua all about fighting a war over Canaanite land?




- ◆ Patriarchal promises: Gen. 12:2,7, 15:13ff., 28:13,14
- ◆ Possession is really God's to give: Lv. 25:23, Ps. 24:1
- ◆ Possession-change is deserved: Lv. 18:24,25, Dt. 9:4-6
- ◆ Prodding needed for war: Ex. 14:12, 16:3, Num. 13:31, 14:3,4

Why is Joshua all about the climax of the Pentateuch?

<i>GENESIS:</i>	Promise given to become a great nation
<i>EXODUS:</i>	People multiply and escape bondage
<i>LEVITICUS:</i>	Laws given by which the nation will live
<i>NUMBERS:</i>	Journey through the wilderness to the land
<i>DEUTERONOMY:</i>	Final preparations before entering the land
<i>JOSHUA:</i>	

Why Joshua is all about the climax of the Pentateuch:

- ◆ When was the conquest: 1406-1399 BC Ex. 12:41, I Kgs. 6:1
- ◆ Who wrote Joshua: 18:9, 24:26, but 24:29ff.
- ◆ When was Joshua written: 6:25, pre-David, 15:63
- ◆ Why was Joshua written: 11:23, 21:43-45
- ◆ Land not taken: 13:1-13, 17:12, Jdgs. 19-21-36, 2:21-3:7
- Land to be taken: Gen. 15:18, Num. 34:1-12, Dt. 1:7,8
- What should be expected: Gen. 17:8, Amos 9:11-14, II Sam. 7:16
- What should I then expect:

JOSHUA			
Conquest of the Land		Carving up the Land	Commitment to the Lord
<i>Preparing for invasion</i>	<i>Conquering Canaanites</i>	<i>Dividing tribal inheritances</i>	<i>Warning to obey</i>
Commission Spying Crossing Memorial Ceremonial 1-5	Victory Defeat Victory Alliance Victories 6-12	2 ½ Tribes Caleb 9 ½ tribes Cities of refuge Levi 13-21	2 ½ Return Near war Farewell Summary Covenant 22-24
			
BIG IDEA:			