

Sermon Series: Joshua: Power of God

Sermon Title: When Everything Looks Hopeless

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I. TAKING GOD AT HIS WORD (11:1-5)

- A. God is with you wherever you go.
- B. God's promises, not Israel's abilities.
- C. God is at work in all times.

II. TRUSTING GOD'S PROMISES (11:6-15)

- A. God told Joshua to not be <u>afraid</u>. (verse 6)
- B. God had Joshua look to the <u>past</u>, to rest in his present.
- C. God gave Joshua the <u>battle plan</u>. (verses 7-15)

III. RELYING ON GOD'S PRESENCE (11:16-23)

- A. God's presence in unknown <u>circumstances</u>. (verses 16-18)
- B. God's presence in many <u>battles</u>. (verses 19-20)
- C. God's presence with giants. (verses 21-23)

Thoughts for Further Study:

- 1. Deuteronomy 20:1 takes the Israelites back to their escape from Egypt. Why is that important for them and for us today?
- 2. What was the importance of the statement, given in the message, that Israel had no chariots or horses?
- 3. Why does God keep telling Israel (Joshua) to not be afraid?
- 4. The most important lesson in this passage, I dare say this book, is that Israel needed to look to the past to face today. Why is this so important?
- 5. How long are God's promises good for?
- 6. What is the importance that the 'sons of Anak' were pushed out of the land? Is it significant that they were pushed into Gath?