<u>Series</u>: THRIVE2025! <u>Title</u>: Give Me that Mountain <u>Text</u>: Joshua 14:6-12

Introduction: (1 Cor 10:11)

Joshua is an illustration of the victorious Christian life. Canaan represents the land of victory & rest for the Christian.

- A. The Promised Land Meant Release
- **B.** The Promised Land Meant Rest
- C. The Promised Land Meant Refreshment
- **D. The Promised Land Meant Reality** Joshua, who led them, is an illustration/type of Jesus. Caleb is an illustration/type of the NT Christian
- I. Caleb's Character: (Faithfulness)
 - A. Caleb the Sufferer: (Josh 14:7) 40 yrs Old
 - 1. Born in Egypt: (Ex 1-2) Name means Dog
 - 2. Born a Slave of Mixed heritage: (Josh 14:13-14)
 - a. Father a Kenezite: Mixed Multitude
 - b. Mother of Judah: (Josh 15:13)
 - c. (1 Chron 2:5, 18)(Matt 1:3) Ancestor of Jesus
 - 3. But Died a Hero!

B. Caleb the Defender: (Josh 14:6-8)

- 1. 12 Spies sent Out: (Num 14:6-9)
- 2. 12 Spies agreed it was a Good land. (Num 14:36-38)
- 3. 10 Spies Compared themselves to the Obstacles. (Rom 8:6) *"For to be carnally minded is death"*
- 4. 2 Spies(Josh/Caleb)compare obstacles to size of God

C. Caleb the Wanderer: (Josh 14:9-11)

- 1. His body had been 45 yrs in the wilderness. (Vs 10)
- 2. His heart was in Canaan: (Josh 14:11)

- 3. His Mind was stayed on God: (Josh 14:9)
 - (Rom 8:6) "to be spiritually minded is life & peace"
- 4. His attitude was an example to us: (Col 3:1-4)

D. Caleb the Conqueror: (Joshua 14:14)

- 1. Joshua is diving out the Promised Land. (Vs1-5)
- 2. Caleb reminds Joshua of God's Promise: (Vs 6-9) All of Our Promisees are based on God's Word.
- 3. Caleb's Testimony of God's Grace to him: (vs 10-11)

II. <u>Caleb's Confidence</u>: (Faith)

A. Caleb's Character led to his Confidence (Faith).

- 1. 45 yrs later, God's promises are still true: (2 Cor 1:20)
- 2. Caleb Claims God's promise! (Josh 14:12)
- 3. Like Abraham (Rom 4:20-21)

III. Caleb's Courage: (Acting on Faith)

- A. Caleb's Confidence led to his Courage: (Josh 14:12)
- B. Unbelief sees size of the Giants, Faith Looks at the size of our God.
- C. Unbelief depends on Man's common Sense; Faith rests wholly on the Word of God.

IV. <u>Caleb's Conquest</u>: (Receiving the Reward of Faith)

A. Caleb's Courage led to his Conquest. (Josh 14:13-15)

(Josh 15:13-14)

- 1. The same Giants the spies feared: (Num 13:28, 33)
- B. Caleb Inspires His Children's Faith: (Josh 15:16-20)
 - 1. Othniel, Caleb's nephew was inspired (Vs 16-17)
 - 2. Achsah, Caleb's daughter was inspired (Vs 18-20)
 - 3. Othniel became the first Judge of Israel. (Judge 3:9)
- 4. Carried the Family into tribal leadership.

- 5. The Lord planned for us, to be conquerors: (Rom. 8:37)
- 6. We conquer with spiritual weapons (2 Cor. 10:3-5)
- 7. We claim our spiritual inheritance in Christ (Eph. 1:3).
- 8. We overcomer through faith in Christ: (1 Jn 5:4)
 - a. We are to overcome the world: (1 Jn 5:5)
 - b. We overcome false doctrine: (1 Jn 4:1-4)
 - c. We overcome the wicked one: (1 Jn 2:13-14)
- 9. Christ has already overcome Satan (Lk 11:21-22)
- 10. Christ has already overcome the world (Jn 16:33)

We overcome the enemy & claim our inheritance:

- (1) We must be wholly yielded to the Lord;
- (2) We must know His promises and believe them;
- (3) We must keep heart and mind fixed on the inheritance;
- (4) We must depend on God to give the victory. (1 Cor. 15:57)

Conclusion

Have you committed yourself to God like Caleb?

With all my heart. With all I am. With all I have left. I am going all in for God, b/c God went all in for me.

Are you conquering a Fruitful land for yourself & kids?

You may ask... *"What is my land of fruitfulness?"* (Gal 5:22-26)

Are Crucifying the Flesh? (Gal 5:24) Are We Living in the Spirit? Filled / Walking: (Ga. 5:25) Are we Seeking His Glory or our Own? (Gal 5:26) What are you living in now? What are you leaving for your kids? (2 Corinthians 2:14) "Now thanks be unto God, which always causeth us to triumph in Christ, and maketh manifest the savour of his knowledge by us in every place."