

“Baccalaureate Sunday”

“Be Strong and Courageous!”

Joshua 1:1-9

1. Choose to stay close to God. Ex. 33:11, Josh. 8:34-20, Num. 17:18-20
2. Choose a godly mentor. 1 Cor. 15:32-34, Num. 13:16, Joshua
3. Live dependent upon God. Joshua 5:13-6:6
4. Be strong and courageous. Joshua 1:1-9

Application

1. The solid fruit in conviction and trusting God came to Joshua by remaining close to God. What are some things you and I can do to insure we are staying close to God? What are your practices for staying close to God?
2. I believe it is impossible to become the man or woman God intends you to be...alone. You need a Godly mentor. You need a small group of others investing in your life. Whose your mentor?
3. Joshua came face to face with the Lord's army and at first did not recognize he was in the presence of God's influence and protection. What might keep us from recognizing that God is actively at work in our lives to guide and protect us? Joshua chose humility and obedience in his hour of need. What are ways we can humble ourselves? How do you recognize the voice of the Lord in your life?
4. This was a powerful moment when God called up Joshua into his service. God's presence and power was with him. How is God encouraging you? What is God calling you up to do for him in his service?