

Central Growth Groups #2: "New Territory"

Sunday Evening: 04/10/2022

Joshua 1:1-9

After the death of Moses the servant of the Lord, the Lord said to Joshua the son of Nun, Moses' assistant, 2 "Moses my servant is dead. Now therefore arise, go over this Jordan, you and all this people, into the land that I am giving to them, to the people of Israel. 3 Every place that the sole of your foot will tread upon I have given to you, just as I promised to Moses. 4 From the wilderness and this Lebanon as far as the great river, the river Euphrates, all the land of the Hittites to the Great Sea toward the going down of the sun shall be your territory. 5 No man shall be able to stand before you all the days of your life. Just as I was with Moses, so I will be with you. I will not leave you or forsake you. 6 Be strong and courageous, for you shall cause this people to inherit the land that I swore to their fathers to give them. 7 Only be strong and very courageous, being careful to do according to all the law that Moses my servant commanded you. Do not turn from it to the right hand or to the left, that you may have good success[a] wherever you go. 8 This Book of the Law shall not depart from your mouth, but you shall meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do according to all that is written in it. For then you will make your way prosperous, and then you will have good success. 9 Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be frightened, and do not be dismayed, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go."

Bottom Line – WHEN YOU ENTER NEW TERRITORY, SET YOUR MIND TO STAY ON COURSE.

1. Think back to before cell phones. How did you get to where you were going when it was some place you'd never driven to? Did you use a map? If so, what kind?

2. Do you ever have a fear of getting lost when you go somewhere new? Are you the type of person who asks for directions? _____

3. Describe a situation in your life where you felt lost. What were the circumstances? _____

4. Have you ever felt lost spiritually? If so, what did that look like for you? _____

5. What does it mean to you to know that God always sees you, knows where you are, and cares about the details of your life? _____

6. What does it look like to renew your mind? What are some areas that are specific to you where you feel the most tension to consistently renew your mind? _____

7. This week, think about how you can allow seasons of transition to renew and build your faith. Journal or jot down some notes on how you hope to see God strengthen your faith in times of change.

