

Subject: "DON'T BE AFRAID - POSSESS THE LAND"

(JOSHUA 3)

The ten spies came back with a negative report. Joshua and Caleb believed in the "Power of God." When Joshua became successor of Moses his desire was to be mindful of, and trust in God, in order to possess this land.

I. "Go Over and Take The Land" (vs. 2 & 3).

a. God says, "I will give you this land."

b. When God makes a promise, it is as good as already done! (2 Peter 3:9).

II. "None Shall Be Able to Stand" (vs. 5).

a. "Giants and Walled Cities" meant nothing to God.

b. "If God is for us, who can be against us? (Romans 8: 31).

III. "I Will Not Fail You or Forsake You" (vs. 5)

a. What other promise did Israel need?

b. What other do we need? (Hebrews 13: 5; Matthew 28: 20).

IV. "Be Strong and Courageous" (vs. 6)

a. Remembering God's ability, they could do this!

b. We can too!! (Hebrews 13: 6; Ephesians 6: 10).

V. "Do Everything According to the Word" (vs. 7).

a. God promised to bless them if they stayed with His word.

b. "Meditate on it day and night" (vs. 8).

c. Be careful to "Do its Teachings" (vs. 8).

d. "Then you will prosper and have success"

e. We, too, must stay "Within His Teachings" (2 John 9-11).

VI. "Don't Be Afraid" (vs. 9)

- a. God will go before you.
- b. He used hornets, plagues, even people like - Rahab the Harlot.
- c. The only things that stopped them:
 1. "Sin in the Camp" (Achan)
 2. "When they sat down on the job."

Conclusion:

- A. If we will "Stay with God and His Word" we will also prosper, if not we will "FAIL".
- B. "I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me" (Phillipians 4: 13).