

JOSHUA

WEEK 2

THE FIRST COMMAND...

Joshua 1:10-11 (NLT) Joshua then commanded the officers of Israel, 11 “Go through the camp and tell the people to get their provisions ready. In three days you will cross the Jordan River and take possession of the land the Lord your God is giving you.”

WHY DOES HE SPECIFY THE WHOLE CAMP?

WHAT IS THE CONTRAST TO THE EGYPT NARRATIVE?

WHAT IS SIMILAR?

THE FIRST RESPONSE...

Joshua 1:16-18 (NLT) They answered Joshua, “We will do whatever you command us, and we will go wherever you send us. 17 We will obey you just as we obeyed Moses. And may the Lord your God be with you as he was with Moses. 18 Anyone who rebels against your orders and does not obey your words and everything you command will be put to death. So be strong and courageous!”

WHY IS THE “DO” AND “GO” SO IMPORTANT?

DO YOU THINK THE OBEDIENCE STATEMENT WAS REASSURING?

THE PEOPLE PROPHESED TO JOSHUA IN WHAT CONTEXT?

SPIES PART 2...

Joshua 2:1-2 (NLT) Then Joshua secretly sent out two spies from the Israelite camp at Acacia Grove. He instructed them, “Scout out the land on the other side of the Jordan River, especially around Jericho.” So the two men set out and came to the house of a prostitute named Rahab and stayed there that night. 2 But someone told the king of Jericho, “Some Israelites have come here tonight to spy out the land.”

WHAT IS THE SIGNIFICANCE OF THE SPIES HERE?

WHAT DOES GOD USE IN THIS STORY?

HOW CAN GOD BE IN THE STORY WITH SUCH NEGATIVE OVERTONES?

THE DEAL...

Joshua 2:14-15 (NLT) “We offer our own lives as a guarantee for your safety,” the men agreed. “If you don’t betray us, we will keep our promise and be kind to you when the Lord gives us the land.” 15 Then, since Rahab’s house was built into the town wall, she let them down by a rope through the window.

WHAT IS AT THE HEART OF THIS DEAL?

WHY DOES IT COME DOWN TO INTEGRITY?

WHAT HAPPENS WHEN TRUST IS TWO SIDED?