

God Gives Victory!
Text: Joshua 6:1-21
June 5, 2024

Big Idea:

Context is key!

Question #1 (Context)

Ask Yourself: What is going on in the text?

- a) What is the setting and what is happening?
- b) Who are the main characters?
- c) Are there any words/phrases that are repeated?

Question #2 (Context)

Ask Yourself: What does the text say about God and about me?

- a) Is God saying or showing something about Himself? If so, what?
- b) Do the words in the text predict, prophesy or picture something about Jesus? If so, what?
- c) Is God saying or showing something about us? If so, what?
- d) How does the text point to my need for Jesus? How?

Question #3 (Context)

Ask Yourself: What are the principles, commands or promises given?

- a) What is the overall theme of the text?
- b) Does the passage include any promise from God? If so, what?

Question #4

- a) What does this world say true victory is?
- b) What does God say true victory is?
- c) Which of these are you pursuing? What will the result be if you keep pursuing that?

To follow God's plan and see His victory, we must...

Point 1: _____ His _____ (vv. 1-7)

Question: God has revealed everything we need to follow His plans. Do you desire to know His Word?
Sermon Notes...

Question #5

- a) **Rd vv. 1-7:** Why was it essential that Joshua & all Israel desired to follow God's Word?
- b) What would have happened to them if they didn't?
- c) **Rd. Philippians 3:8:** What does it mean to 'know' Jesus?
- d) What has replaced knowing Jesus as your greatest desire?
- e) What tools has God given to us to help us grow in our love & desire for Him above all?

Point 2: _____ by His _____ (vv. 8-21)

Question: Through God's Word, we have everything we need to live according to His plan. What is driving your life?

Sermon Notes...

To live by God's Word, means we respond to it with...

a) _____ (vv. 8-11)

b) _____ (vv. 12-15)

c) _____ (vv. 16-21)

Question #6

- a) What would have happened if Israel had just heard God's Word, but not lived by it?
- b) What is the difference between being a hearer of God's Word and a doer of God's Word?
- c) Which of the above three responses to you find the most difficult to live out? Why?
- d) How has Jesus fulfilled these responses perfectly?
- e) How can you increasingly live them out through Him?
- f) Spend time in prayer for one another in these areas.

Prayer Application

Spend time as a group/in accountability in prayer...

- a) REVERENCE before God: God, You are the God of victory who is _____ .
- b) HUMILITY before God: Lord, I repent of... i) My lack of desire to know you through your Word ii) My disobedience in not living out your word with _____ (*Pick one or more of the 3 responses above-action, consistency or humility*)
- c) THANKSGIVING: Lord, I thank You for Your Word because _____ .
- d) SUPPLICATION to God: Lord, I ask for: i) A deepening desire for you above all else. ii) A greater obedience to you when _____ .

Memory Verse:

"But be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves."-James 1:22

