

# CHARACTER STUDY – JOSHUA

The Forming Of A Visionary

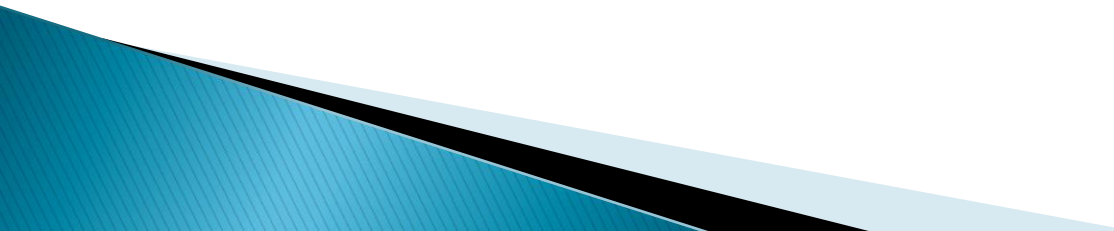


# INTRODUCTION

- ▶ *Leaders need to be optimists. Their vision is beyond the present.*

Rudi Giuliani

Joshua 1:1-11



# VISIONARIES HAVE ...

## 1 – A HUNGER FOR GOD'S PRESENCE

**Exod 33:11**

*The LORD would speak to Moses face to face, as a man speaks with his friend. Then Moses would return to the camp, but his young aide Joshua son of Nun did not leave the tent.*



# VISIONARIES HAVE ...

**2** – A DESIRE TO BE WITH OTHERS WHO HEAR GOD

**Exod 24:13**

*Then Moses set out with Joshua his aide, and  
Moses went up on the mountain of God.*

# VISIONARIES HAVE ...

## 3 – A WILLINGNESS TO TAKE THE LEAD

Josh1:1-2

- 1 After the death of Moses the servant of the LORD, the LORD said to Joshua son of Nun, Moses' aide:*
- 2 "Moses my servant is dead. Now then, you and all these people, get ready to cross the Jordan River into the land I am about to give to them-- to the Israelites.*

# VISIONARIES HAVE ...

## 4 – GOD'S FAVOUR

**Josh1:3**

*I will give you every place where you set your foot,  
as I promised Moses.*

# VISIONARIES HAVE ...

## 5 – HEALTHY BOUNDARIES

Josh1:4

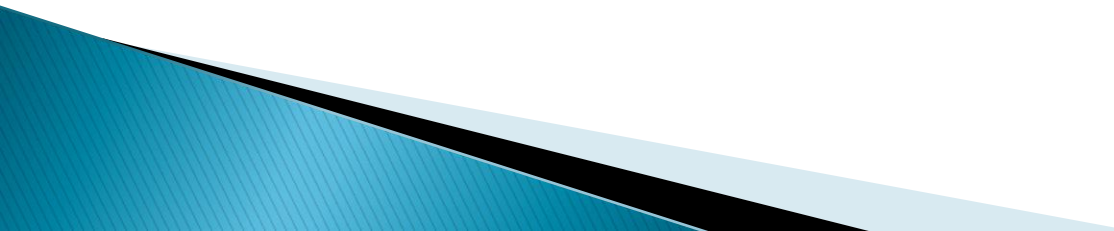
*Your territory will extend from the desert to Lebanon, and from the great river, the Euphrates-- all the Hittite country-- to the Great Sea on the west.*

# VISIONARIES HAVE ...

## 6 – COURAGE

Josh1:6

*"Be strong and courageous, because you will lead these people to inherit the land I swore to their forefathers to give them.*



# VISIONARIES PRACTICE ...

## 7 – PRAYER & BIBLE STUDY

Josh1:8

- ▶ *Do not let this Book of the Law depart from your mouth; meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do everything written in it. Then you will be prosperous and successful.*

# VISIONARIES HAVE ...

## 8 – LEADERSHIP

Josh1:10–11

- ▶ <sup>10</sup> *So Joshua ordered the officers of the people:*
- ▶ <sup>11</sup> *"Go through the camp and tell the people, 'Get your supplies ready. Three days from now you will cross the Jordan here to go in and take possession of the land the LORD your God is giving you for your own.'"*