

Victory Is Not the End of Obedience or Faithfulness

Josh 15:1-19:51

The Eastern Land was apportioned
Caleb Has Received his Inheritance
Now we look at the Western Land and the rest of the Tribes
A Look at How the text works

- Our Text looks at how the individual tribes are given land by the Lot of the Lord
 - Boundary lists
 - City lists
 - Land That Remains
 - Notable Stories

Judah as a Blueprint (Josh 15:1-63)

- Boundaries of the Land (v.1-12,21)
- Cities of the Land (v. 21-62)
- Notable Stories (v. 13-19)
- Land that Remains (v.63, Judges 1:8;1:21)

Obedience and Faithfulness Never Ends

- Five daughters of Zelophehad (Josh 17:3-4, Num 27:1-11)
 - Mahlah, Noah and Hoglah and Milcah and Tirzah
 - The Daughters understood Obedience and Faithfulness
 - God confirmed their understanding as good and right
 - These daughters in their Obedience were used by God to establish His faithfulness for the Nation
- Standing Firm in Obedience (Josh 17:14-18)
 - Joseph sons, Manasseh and Ephraim are given their Inheritance
 - They feel they don't have enough in 1 lot
 - But it's because of the enemy that remains
 - Joshua basically says, have you learned nothing?
 - God's faithful Lot is enough, and His Faithfulness grants victory
- The Move to Shiloh (Josh 18:1;14:6)
 - The Previous meeting point was Gilgal
 - Here the move is to Shiloh and the tabernacle takes center stage
 - This is a delineation from the war footing to the worshipful dwelling in the land
 - This is where the Ark and the Tabernacle would rest through its capture by the Philistines (1 Sam 1-4)
 - This establishes God dwelling in the land with His people, as He was always with them
 - This signifies a monumental move to the dwelling portion of the Land and as we have seen, this is to be the bulk of life, where we find the majority of faithfulness and obedience lived out
- Joshua Motivates Obedience (Josh 18:2-10)
 - The people needed to get moving, they apparently were literally dragging their feet (v.3)

- Joshua, the wisdom of faithfulness coming out, commissions men to lay out the land in great detail and exploration
- They give him and the people more than enough to spur on the needed movement, and erase any hesitation in possessing the land
- They literally filled a book (v.9)
- Faithful Rest (Josh 19:49-51)
 - The section comes to an end as Joshua receives an inheritance
 - He takes a land, and builds a city
 - Joshua was not in the business of calling others to work that he himself was not doing
 - Joshua builds and settles, he dwells in the land

Respond

- God is always Faithful, and obedience is always the answer. Redemption and Victory is not the end of God's story. Dwelling in Obedience is the call. We fight in obedience when needed, yet dwelling is the overwhelming portion of our time, and it is truly where we will gain and lose the most ground in our hearts, homes, and communities.

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