

Sermon Discussion Guide
Joshua 22:10-24:33

Embracing the Gospel. We trust Christ as our Savior and Lord for eternity and for today. Daily, we learn how to walk in Him, rooted and built up in Him and established in the faith (Colossians 2:6-7). Take a moment and reflect on the time when you first Embraced the Gospel. What was that moment like? In what areas have you routinely had to embrace the gospel in your life this week?

1. Before studying the book of Joshua, what thoughts did you have about answering the call to leadership or following good leaders? Do you see any similarities between your leadership style and Joshua's leadership? If so, please share one with your group.
2. Brad mentions, "In Joshua chapter 23-24, *The Lord* is used 38 times, and at the end of Joshua's life, the focus of his life is not on Joshua. The focus of his life is on the Lord. He has come to understand that the most important thing in his life is the Lord. **It's the Lord who delivers. It's the Lord who fights our battles. It's the Lord who goes before us.** Joshua finishes his life by giving glory to the Lord." Read 23:14-16. What stood out to you from this passage?
3. Read Joshua 24:14-15. What idols have preoccupied your thinking and attention this week? In what ways have you been able to fight the idols? Are you willing to take the same stance as Joshua and lead your household well in the Lord? Take a moment to pray for the group asking the Lord to forgive our sins and help us be strong and courageous.

"My Grandfather walked 10 miles to work every day. My father walked 5 miles. I am driving a Cadillac. My son is in a Mercedes, and my grandson will be in a Ferrari. He said my great-grandson will be walking again!" So I asked him... why is that? He responded, "Tough times create strong men. Strong men create easy times. Easy times create weak men. Weak men create tough times." -Brad Bell.

4. Read Joshua 24:16-28. According to this passage, leaders are responsible for reminding those they serve of the Lord's love, grace, mercy, and righteousness. Why is it important for a leader to have integrity between their words and deeds?
5. Now that we have completed the book of Joshua, what were three takeaways that you would apply to your life, and how will you share that with your family, friends, and co-workers? Please share one with the group.

Closing Challenge

Joshua 24:15 (NASB95) - 15 "If it is disagreeable in your sight to serve the Lord, choose for yourselves today whom you will serve:...but as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord." How can you implement that and bring it back to the group next week?

"Helping people connect to God and to each other in every neighborhood."