

Joshua 13-19 - Daily Study Questions (cont)

4. Using Joshua 15 outline Judah's border (v1-12) and cities (v20-63). Where did Judah fail (v63)?

5. What did Caleb do (15:13-15) and what did he promise (v16)? Why was this wise as a father? What were the results (v17, 18-19) and what principles does this passage reveal?

6. Based on 16:1-10 whose border was depicted (v1) and what was it (v1-3, 4-9)? What did they not do and what was the result (v10)? Do you think this was good or bad?

7. From 17:1-18 what three issues faced Manasseh (v1-6, 7-12, 14) and how did Joshua resolve the first (v4) and last (v15-18)? What occurred with the 2nd issue (v13)?

8. In 18:1-10 who gathered and where (v1)? and what did they do there (v1)? What was Joshua's advice and why (v2-3), and what was the solution (v4-7)? What did they do (v8-10)?

9. Scan 18:11-19:48. Outline the allotment of each of the 7 tribes (18:11-28; 19:1-9, 10-16, 17-23, 24-31, 32-39, 40-48)? What stands out about Simeon (19:9) and Dan (19:47)?

10. Using 19:49-51 who received the last inheritance (v49) and why (v50)? What can we learn from the fact that he was last? What is significant about 19:51?

11 Looking back over Josh 13-19 what did Caleb do (14-15) that Israel failed to do (13:13, 15:63, 16:10, 17:12)? What can we learn from this about the difference between conquering the territory and possessing the land? How can you apply this to your life?

Scripture to Remember

“Surely the land on which your foot has trodden will be an inheritance to you and to your children forever, because you have followed the Lord my God fully.”

Joshua 14:9 (NASV)

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Life Group Questions—*You've Lost That Lovin' Feeling (Revelation 2:1-7)*
(Using questions from Sunday's message, Life Groups meet in homes to build supportive relationships with others at Celebration Fellowship that enable us to grow in Christ.)

1. Share with your group how you acted when you first fell in love. Why do we ever quit acting that way?
2. Read Ephesians 2:1-7. Who is speaking and where is He? What does this reveal about His relationship with us? Is His perfect knowledge comforting to you or not?
3. Discuss what Jesus knew about the Ephesian church that was good (v2, 3, 6). Why do you think He acknowledged that? What do you think He would say good about us?
4. Why is it sometimes dangerous to dwell on what we are doing right, individually or collectively?
5. What was the sin of the Ephesians and what do you think this means? Do you agree that it is easy to simply “drift” from our first love? Give examples.
6. Talk about what Jesus told them to do—remembering, repenting and returning. How do we remember practically?
7. Where does repentance start for us, and what does it look like? Be specific. Discuss what it really means to return—how to recapture that “first love” for Jesus.



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When we walk in obedience to God we will take possession of the life He wants for us.

The 5 Purposes of the Purpose Driven Life

- **Worship**—You were planned for God’s pleasure
- **Fellowship**—You were formed for God’s family
- **Discipleship**—You were created to become like Christ
- **Ministry**—You were shaped for serving God
- **Evangelism**—You were made for a mission

The saying, “Possession is nine-tenths of the law” posits that our “official” claim to something is different from our actual possession of it. In this week’s study Israel faced this. They had conquered Canaan, but huge areas had not been possessed. In general the back of the enemy had been broken, but now they had to get into the details of subduing each locale and people. This parallels our Christian lives; Jesus has defeated the enemy, but with this confidence we must subdue him in each area of our lives. God first told Joshua to forge ahead with dividing the land among the tribes. The two and a half tribes east of the Jordan had received their land, but the rest had to possess theirs to the west. After outlining the eastern tribes’ inheritance Judah’s allotment

was addressed. Within their borders, notably, was Caleb’s portion. As one of the two faithful spies forty-five years before, he had been promised Hebron by Moses. He now asked for it although the giants of Anak were there. He went in and took it by faith, then promised his daughter’s hand in marriage to anyone who would attack Debir. He thus secured a son-in-law who was a man of faith, Othniel (later a judge in Israel). His daughter then asked for additional inheritance with the boldness of her dad. The contrast to this faith was that of the other tribes who failed to truly face the issues of taking possession. Four times it is recorded that one of the tribes failed to drive out the inhabitants of Canaan, although they became forced labor. Other issues were no inheri-

tance for one of the families of Manasseh since there were no males—but the daughters received one anyway. Also, Manasseh had too little land, but Joshua just told them to fight for some of the land they had. Finally, Joshua commanded the remaining seven tribes to finish the task of dividing and possessing their land. They mapped it out and began to do just that. The Levites, however, did not get land because the Lord was their inheritance. In conclusion it is said that the tribes distributed the land by lot before the Lord. It would be theirs because possession was nine-tenths of the law.

Study Questions for Joshua 13-19

(For answers go to http://www.celebrationnet.com/abf/html/study_questions)

<p>1. Read Joshua 13:1-7. What did God tell Joshua (v1)? How much land remained to be possessed (v2-6) and how were they do it (v6)? Who was it for and what was the first step (v7)?</p>	
<p>2. In 13:8-14:5 what land did the 2 1/2 tribes receive (v8-12, 15-23, 24-28, 29-32), but how did they fail (v13)? Who didn’t get an inheritance and why (v14, 33)? How did the 9 1/2 tribes get theirs (14:1-5)?</p>	
<p>3. From 14:6-15 who made a request from the tribe of Judah and why (v6-8, 9)? How would you describe him (v8, 10-11, 12)? What was his request (v12) and the result (v13-15)? Apply.</p>	

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