

BE FAITHFUL, BE VICTORIOUS

LAST WEEK'S MESSAGE

Caleb is an example of faithfulness, and his life can teach us how to live victoriously. He is described as following God wholeheartedly, a quality also attributed to him by Moses and God Himself. Faithfulness means being steadfast, dedicated, dependable, and trustworthy towards others and towards God. It is a key element in living victoriously, and we can learn from Caleb's example in three ways.

LIVE TO PLEASE GOD (JOSHUA 14:6-9)

Joshua 14:6-9 tells the story of Caleb, who became part of the tribe of Judah by marriage to someone from the tribe. Regardless of his non-Hebrew background, Caleb became part of God's family once he put his faith in God. Caleb is known for following God wholeheartedly, as it is mentioned several times in the Bible. Even before entering the Promised Land, Caleb was sent out as one of the 12 spies alongside Joshua. Upon their return, most of the spies gave a negative report that discouraged the people, but Caleb stood his ground and reminded them of God's promise. Caleb's desire to please God and not people is evident in his actions. He did not go along with the majority who gave a bad report, and as a result, he was blessed by God.

LIVE LIFE TO THE MAX (JOSHUA 14:10-11)

Caleb acknowledged that his life was a gift from the Lord (v.10). As long as we are alive, God has a purpose for us. Our physical strength, energy, and health are also gifts from Him (v.11). It is not so much about the

length of life, but it is about what we do with it. We should strive to make the most of it, not for our own pleasure or glory, but to please God. Paul reminds us that we should be careful how we walk, or live, our everyday lives by making the most of our time and understanding the will of God (Ephesians 5:15-16). To live life to the fullest, we must walk in step with God, seek to understand His will for us, and use our time and strength to honor and serve Him.

LIVE BY GOD'S PROMISES (JOSHUA 14:12-15)

Waiting for God to answer our prayers or fulfill His promises can be incredibly challenging. Caleb had to wait for 45 years, but he remained confident in God's faithfulness (vv. 12-13). The phrase "perhaps the LORD will be with me" expresses his trust in God, not doubt. And indeed, Caleb eventually received the inheritance that God had promised him, defeating the leader of the Anakim and claiming Hebron as his own (vv. 14-15).

The story of Caleb's life is one of faithfulness and serves as an example to us all. We should maximize our lives to please God, believing that that He is not only a Promise-Giver but a FAITHFUL PROMISE-KEEPER who is worthy of all our glory, honor, and praise! By doing so, we can live a victorious life and ultimately receive our inheritance in heaven.

LAST WEEK'S MEMORY VERSE

Therefore, Hebron became the inheritance of Caleb the son of Jephunneh the Kenizzite until this day, because he followed the Lord God of Israel fully.

JOSHUA 14:14

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Is there anything in your life today that may not be pleasing to God? What can you do to ensure you always live to please Him?

How can you maximize your life — time, energy, opportunity — for the glory of God?

Which of God's promises do you need to cling to at this point in your life and why?

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1 God loves you.

He desires for you to have a meaningful life with Him in the present and gain eternal life with Him in the future.

*Know therefore that the Lord your God, He is God, the faithful God, who **keeps His covenant and His lovingkindness** to a thousandth generation with those who love Him and keep His commandments —Deuteronomy 7:9*

2 God is holy.

We are sinful, and our sin separates us from Him.

Everyone has sinned and is far away from God's saving presence. — Romans 3:23

3 God is merciful.

In His love, He made the only way for us to be reconciled to Him: through His son, Jesus Christ. Jesus had to die on the cross for our sins and be raised to life for eternity.

But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us. Much more then, having now been justified by His blood, we shall be saved from the wrath of God through Him. — Romans 5:8

I am the way, and the truth, and the life; no one comes to the Father but through Me. — John 14:6

4 God is gracious.

By placing our faith in Jesus Christ, we are forgiven of our sins and saved from eternal death.

For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish, but have eternal life. — John 3:16

For by grace you have been saved through faith; and that not of yourselves, it is the gift of God; not as a result of works, so that no one may boast. — Ephesians 2:8-9

5 God keeps His promises.

You can be sure that you have eternal life when you trust in Jesus.

And the testimony is this, that God has given us eternal life, and this life is in His Son. He who has the Son has the life; he who does not have the Son of God does not have the life. These things I have written to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, so that you may know that you have eternal life. 1 John 5:11-13



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