

# RESETTING OUR FAITH TO POSSESS GOD'S PROMISES

## *Memory verse*

***“Do not become sluggish, but imitate those who through faith and patience inherit the promises.” (Hebrews 6:12 NIV)***

Joshua 1:1-9

**I. Introduction:** We know that faith is the key to \_\_\_\_\_. Faith is how the promises of God become the \_\_\_\_\_ of God in our lives. **The problem is:**

A. We can start in faith but lose faith before we reach the \_\_\_\_\_. We can start off looking to God and then turn to looking to our problems or ourselves. Israel started off seizing God's promises but ended up settling for defeat, getting stuck in the wilderness. It's not enough to start in faith we must keep on restarting and resetting our faith.

B. When we settle with the problems instead of seizing the promises we begin to limit God.

- *“Yet again and again they tempted God and limited the Holy One of Israel.” (Psalms 78:41 NKJV)*
- *“He could do no mighty works there because of their unbelief.” (Matthew 13:58)*

If you are not asking from God and attempting for God the impossible you are limiting God.

Many people bring the promises and potential of God down to the level of their experience rather than lifting the level of their experience to the level of God's promise.

C. Joshua and the people of Israel came to a moment where it was time to \_\_\_\_\_ their faith. They had started in faith but now were stuck in the wilderness.

## **II. Ways God shows us how to reset our faith**

A. Remember and \_\_\_\_\_ on God's \_\_\_\_\_ along with dreams and goals He has called you to set. Faith is specific. Faith is letting the size of your God determine the size of your goals. Faith means we are setting out to ask, expect, and attempt things that are impossible to fulfill in our own power.

B. Remove the lids, labels, and limits in us that limit our capacity to see God move.

1. Those limits included fear, doubt, memories, comparison, logic, disobedience, and ignorance.

- *“You can’t claim the promises of God and be willfully violating the principles of God.”*
- *“Don’t put your life on hold so you can dwell on the unfairness of past hurts.” –Nick Vujicic*

2. We can remove lids as we understand that those responses are not conditions that define who we are, but choices to believe what we see and feel instead of choosing to believe who God says we are and what He says He can do in and through our lives.

C. \_\_\_\_\_ to act in faith where you have been acting in fear and doubt. Belief is important but actions of faith are what reset our faith. You can start to believe your way into acting but you’re more likely to act your way into believing.

Joshua was to act like He believed that God was with him the same way God had been with Moses.

**(Answers: I. victory, experience, promise, reset II. refocus, promises, rechoose)**

### **QUESTIONS FOR DISCUSSION**

- Does anyone have a testimony of how God did something through faith in your life that you couldn’t have done through trying? What is something you received or accomplished through God that you could have never accomplished by yourself?
- If you were to compare yourself to Joshua, what might be the “land” (dream, goal, victory) you know that God has called you to boldly possess?
- What is a lid that you can think of in your life that you would like to trust God to remove?
  - fear
  - doubt
  - hurt memory
  - comparison
  - low self esteem
  - disapproval from people
  - logic
  - disobedience
- Describe an area that God may be wanting you to reset your faith
  - Bring before him a dream that has died
  - Resetting goals you’ve given up on
  - Calling you to ask or attempt the impossible