

JOSHUA 23.9 to JUDGES 1.18

1. Joshua 23 is a speech/sermon Joshua gave to Israel at the end of his life. Notice the similarities between verses 3-8 and verses 9-13. In verse 3, he said God had fought for them. In verses 9-13, what does he say God had **done** for them?

In verse 5, he says God promised that they would possess the land. In verses 9-13, what **promise** did God keep?

In verse 6, he commanded them to be strong to keep the law of Moses. In verses 9-13, what **command** did he give them to obey?

In v. 8, he told them to **cling/hold fast** to God. In vv. 9-13, who were they *not* to cling to?

2. In verse 12, Joshua begins to **warn** Israel about the dangers of turning away from God. From verses 12-16, what are some of the different **consequences** they'd face if they did so?

3. In chapter 24, Joshua gathered Israel to what city? What important things had happened there in the past (see Gen. 12:6-7; Gen. 33:18-20)?

4. In verses 2-13, Joshua traces the history of Israel. It began with Abraham living beyond the _____. Then God led them through all the land of _____. Then they went down to _____. They came out and dwelt a long time in the _____. Then they came to the land of the _____. Finally, they crossed over the _____.

5. In verses 3-13, write down all the different **verbs** that are used to describe the things that God did for Israel. The first one is God 'took' (v. 3).

6. Beginning in verse 14, Joshua challenged the people to serve the Lord. Then he said the famous line: 'As for me and my house, we will serve the Lord' (v. 15b). What is at least one thing that impresses you about that statement that he made?

7. Joshua challenged the people to serve the Lord, and they told him that they would serve God. He responded by saying, "You're not able to." Why do you think he seemingly so harsh and negative in his response to their commitment?

8. In verse 22, who was a witness to the fact that the people had chosen to serve the Lord? Later in the chapter, what else was a **witness** to their commitment?

9. What three men were **buried** in their inheritance in Canaan at the end of the book of Joshua? Why do you think the book ends in this way?

10. The book of Joshua began after the **death** of who? Judges begins after the death of who?

11. In the first half of Judges 1, **Judah** gains many **victories** with the Lord's help. They defeated Adoni-Bezek. What is said about him to indicate how powerful and successful he had been?

What city did they take in verse 8?

What three men did they drive out of Hebron? Who were these three men (see Josh. 15:14)?

They defeated Kiriath-Sepher (or Debir). What individual captured that city?

What are some other cities that they defeated?