Waiting Patiently For the Lord July 14, 2024

Joshua 1:6-9, "Be strong and courageous, for you shall give this people possession of the land which I swore to their fathers to give them.⁷ Only be strong and very courageous; be careful to do according to all the law which Moses My servant commanded you; do not turn from it to the right or to the left, so that you may have success wherever you go.⁸ This book of the law shall not depart from your mouth, but you shall meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do according to all that is written in it; for then you will make your way prosperous, and then you will have success.⁹ Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous! Do not tremble or be dismayed, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go."

1. Be Strong and Courageous

Joshua 24:15, "Choose for yourselves today who you will serve: the gods of your fathers, or the gods of the Amorites; but as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord."

1 Peter 4:11, *"Whoever serves is to do so as one who is serving by the strength which God supplies."*

2. Be Careful to Practice God's Word

Luke 11:28, "Blessed are those who hear the word of God and observe it."

3. Why? So That We Will Be Successful

4. Speak of God's Word

Deuteronomy 6:6-7, "These words, which I am commanding you today, shall be on your heart. ⁷ You shall teach them diligently to your sons and shall talk of them when you sit in your house and when you walk by the way and when you lie down and when you rise up."

5. So What's the Outcome? The Lord Your God IS With You

Psalm 40:1-2, "*I* waited patiently for the Lord to help me, and he turned to me and heard my cry. ² *He lifted me out of the pit of despair, out of the mud and the mire.*"

2 Peter 3:8, "Do not let this one fact escape your notice, beloved, that with the Lord one day is like a thousand years, and a thousand years like one day."

John 11:3-4, 6, "Mary and Martha sent word to Jesus that Lazarus was sick. 4 Jesus said, "This sickness is not to end in death, but for the glory of God." 6 Jesus stayed two days longer in the place where He was."

2 Corinthians 12:9, "My grace is sufficient for you, for My strength is made perfect in weakness."