

Victorious Christian Living

PART 12

Nuggets from Joshua 12-13

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I. Lessons on God's inheritance for His people.

- A. God gave the **Promised Land** as an inheritance to the Israelites.

What the **land** was to Israel, **Christ** is to us.

- B. In **Christ** we have an inheritance (Eph. 1:11).
- C. Through Christ, we will not be the recipients of God's righteous **wrath** (Titus 3:4-5a; II Thes. 1:8-9; Eph. 2:3; Rom. 5:9).
- D. Through Christ we have received an inheritance of **eternal life** in heaven (Jn. 3:16; Rom. 8:17; I Pet. 1:4; Eph. 1:14).
- E. Through the Bible when can discover God's "last **will** and New **Testament**" for us.

II. Lessons on finishing strong.

- A. God used Joshua **mightily** even into his old age. Yet at the end of his life, there was still **much** work remaining for him to finish (Josh. 13:1).
- B. Joshua was probably about **100** years old when 13:1 mentions him. He died at the age of **110** (24:29).
- C. Joshua had been **faithful** and done much **good**.
- D. But the Lord said to him, "there are still **large** areas of land to be conquered" (cf. I Cor. 3:13-15).

Great question to consider: Am I on track to one day finish the reason(s) for which God put me here on this earth? (cf. Acts 20: 22-24; Jn. 19:30).

III. Lessons on the blessings of repentance.

- A. Simeon and Levi's contrasting stories serve as a powerful reminder of how gracious God is to those who **repent** and trust Him to **redeem** their lives (cf. Josh. 13:33).
- B. God can redeem your situation and use you to be a **great blessing** to others (cf. Joel 2:25).



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