

Preparing For Your Future Part 1

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POSSESSING MY DESTINY

What the Bible teaches about my destiny?

• God's destiny for my life is _____

Jer. 29:11 (NIV) "For I know the plans I have for you, declares the LORD, <u>plans to prosper you</u> and <u>not to harm you</u>, plans to give you hope and a future."

• I get to _____

_my destiny.

Deut. 30:15-19 (NLT) "Now listen! Today I am giving you a choice between life and death, between prosperity and disaster. For I command you this day to love the Lord your God and to keep his commands, decrees, and regulations by walking in his ways. If you do this, you will live and multiply, and the Lord your God will bless you and the land you are about to enter and occupy. **But** if your heart turns away and you refuse to listen, and if you are drawn away to serve and worship other gods, then I warn you now that you will certainly be destroyed. You will not live a long, good life in the land you are crossing the Jordan to occupy. Today I have given you the **choice** between life and death, between blessings and curses. Now I call on heaven and earth to witness the choice you make. Oh, that you would <u>choose life</u>, so that you and your descendants might live!"

HOW TO POSSESS YOUR DESTINY Joshua 1:1-11

1. PREPARE A

Josh. 1.1-4 (GN/NCV) "After the death of the LORD'S servant Moses, the LORD spoke to Moses' helper, Joshua son of Nun. He said, 'My servant Moses is dead. Get ready now, you and all the people of Israel, and cross the Jordan River into the land that I am giving them. As I told Moses, I have given you and all my people the entire land ... Wherever you set foot, you will be on land I have given you—from the Negev wilderness in the south to the Lebanon mountains in the north, from the Euphrates River in the east to the Mediterranean Sea in the west."

Josh. 1:10-11 (NIV) "So Joshua ordered the officers of the people: Go through the camp and tell the people, 'Get your provisions ready. Three days from now you will cross the Jordan here to go in and take possession of the land the LORD your God is giving you for your own."

Pr. 20.18b (GN) "Don't go charging into battle without a plan."

Pr. 16:3 (NLT) "Commit your actions to the Lord, and your plans will succeed."

2. BUILD YOUR LIFE _____ ON _____. Josh. 1:7-8 (NLT) "Be strong and very courageous. <u>Be careful to obey</u> all the instructions Moses gave you. Do not deviate from them, turning either to the right or to the left. Then you will be successful in everything you do. Study this Book of Instruction continually. Meditate on it day and night so you will be sure to obey everything written in it. Only then will you prosper and succeed in all you do."

Psalms 34:10b (NIV) "Those who seek the LORD lack no good thing."

3. COURAGEOUSLY ______ Josh. 1.6,7,9 (NIV) 3 times! "Be strong and courageous!"

Three reasons why I need to be bold

• God is ______. Josh. 1:5 (NCV) "*No one* will be able to defeat you <u>all your life</u>. Just as I was with Moses, so I will be with you. I will not leave you or forget you."

• God keeps _____ Josh. 1.6 (NCV) "Joshua, be strong and brave! You must lead these people so they can take the land that I promised their fathers I would give them."

• God has told ______. Josh. 1:9 (NIV) "<u>Have I not commanded you</u>? Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the LORD your God will be with you wherever you go."

Bible Version Keys: (NIV) New International Version; (NLT) New Living Translation; (GN) Good News; (NCV) New Century Version.