

The Book of Joshua

Bible Study – Good Shepherd Lutheran Church – Collinsville, Illinois

Introduction

1. Jesus affirmed the _____ of the Hebrew Scriptures (Old Testament).

Luke 24:25

Luke 24:44

2. There are _____ references to Joshua in the New Testament.

Acts 7:45

Heb. 4:8

Acts 13:19

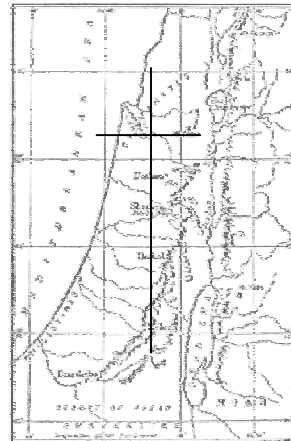
3. The Bible is divided into three sections: The Torah (Law) , The Prophets , and the Writings. Joshua, Judges, Samuel & Kings are known as the _____. They cover the time from the entry into the promised land until the Babylonian Captivity.

4. _____ teaches history from a firm Law (sin) and Gospel (salvation) perspective.

5. Ultimately the Law, the Prophets, and the Psalms (Luke 24.44) find their focus and fulfillment in _____.

6. Joshua is an important part of God's _____ for the sacrifice of Christ.

7. Although early Jewish and Christian traditions recognize Joshua as the author, _____. Neither the book of Joshua nor any other book of the Bible names the author of the sixth book of the Bible.



8. Assuming Israel's entrance into the promised land in 1406 B.C., we will assume that most of the book was written in the early part of the fourteenth century B.C.

9. Dating the Bible

Actual Dates	People/Places/Events	Rough Dates	Time Span
2166-1805 BC	Abraham/Isaac/Jacob	2100-1800 BC	300 years
1876-1446 BC	Egyptian Slaves	1800-1400 BC	400 years
1446-1406 BC	Wilderness		
1406-1050 BC	Conquest of Pr. L.	1400-1000 BC	400 years
1050-931 BC	Saul/David/Solomon	1000-500 BC	500 years
931-722 BC	Judah & Israel		
722-586 BC	Judah		
586-516 BC	Babylonian Capt.		
516-424 BC	2nd Temple – Neh.	500-Birth of Christ	500 years
424-4 BC	Intertestamental P.		

10. The man Joshua...

11. The main theme of Joshua

Joshua 21.43-45 Especially verse 45: *Not a word failed of any good thing which the LORD had spoken to the house of Israel. All came to pass.*

11. Important Subthemes

Importance of the Word of God – Joshua copies the Torah of Moses and urges Israel to obey it.

Covenants – The covenants to Noah, Abraham, and Moses all play a role in Joshua.

Leadership – Joshua is a courageous leader who follows God's word.

Disobedience brings disaster.

God judges human sin.

The incomplete rest of the Promised Land looks forward to the Promised Son and His complete rest.

