



STRONG AND COURAGEOUS The Book of Joshua

Devotion Week 1

KYCK21 is almost here! In 2021 we're journeying through the book of Joshua. In preparation, we're going to have a brief look at the history of God's people and God's promises, that brought His people to the edge of the promised land.



THINK

Is there a difference between saying you'll do something and making a promise?
What's the difference?



READ

Genesis 12:1-3 (Note: Abram was an earlier name for Abraham)

The LORD had said to Abram, "Go from your country, your people and your father's household to the land I will show you.

"I will make you into a great nation, and I will bless you; I will make your name great, and you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and whoever curses you I will curse; and all peoples on earth will be blessed through you."

Galatians 3:7-9

Understand, then, that those who have faith are children of Abraham. Scripture foresaw that God would justify the Gentiles by faith, and announced the gospel in advance to Abraham: "All nations will be blessed through you." So those who rely on faith are blessed along with Abraham, the man of faith.



REFLECT

What does God promise Abram in Genesis 12:1-3?

Do you know anything about Abram's life after this promise? How did God fulfil His promise over the centuries to come?

What does Galatians 3:7-9 add to our view of God's promise to Abram/Abraham?

Why is it encouraging that followers of Jesus are included in this promise to Abram?



PRAY

Give thanks that God keeps his promises, and the followers of Jesus are included in the fulfilment of the promises of the Old Testament, whatever their background. Pray that we will trust God's promises all the time, even when things get tough.