

## A Time to Move

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AGAIN & AGAIN

### WARM UP

Share a highlight from Christmas and/or New Years.

### COMING UP

[GRACEPOLARIS.ORG/CALENDAR](http://GRACEPOLARIS.ORG/CALENDAR)

**Worship Center Work Day** Saturday, January 19, 9:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m., WC

**Women's Bible Study** Thursdays, January 31–April 11, 9:15 a.m. & 7:00 p.m., MC

**The Art of Parenting** Friday & Saturday, February 1 & 2, MC multipurpose room. Visit [GracePolaris.org/Parenting](http://GracePolaris.org/Parenting) to learn more and register.

### WITNESS

- On your white board, list the names of people in your sphere of influence you're praying will come to know Jesus.
- Share any progress/updates. Pray together for God to use you and your Grace Group to influence these people for Jesus.

### EXPLORE

- 1 Read Joshua 1:1–5. What stood out to you from this week's passage and sermon?
- 2 Share about a time you were called to attempt something monumental and seemingly beyond your capacity.
- 3 How do you think Joshua felt when he learned of Moses' death, his new responsibilities, and the call of God (1:2)? What would you have felt?
- 4 Entering a context of tension, conflict, or hostility can be very unnerving (1:2). What emotions do you imagine the Israelites experienced when God instructed them to enter the new land? Explain.
- 5 God's people were guaranteed victory in possessing the land, and they were told this before they began (1:5). How does knowing the outcome in advance affect how we live (work, fight, or pray) in the process? Consider Matthew 16:18 and Ephesians 3:20,21.
- 6 It's one thing to have a powerful person cheer you on with encouragement; it's another thing to have that person accompany you on the journey (1:5). What's the difference?
- 7 Promises are meant to promote action rather than passivity. Or, as Warren Wiersbe wrote, "God's promises are prods, not pillows." How does this apply to Joshua? How does this apply to you? How does this apply to our church?

### PRAY

Read Ephesians 1 as a reminder of what God has promised His people today — the Church. Ask God for courageous obedience. Thank God for His presence and power in our lives.