# **Divine Formula for Success**

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# AGAIN & AGAIN

### **WARM UP**

What are your most enjoyable snow day activities?

### **COMING UP**

GRACEPOLARIS.ORG/CALENDAR

**Women's Bible Study** Thursdays, January 31–April 11, 9:15 a.m. & 7:00 p.m. Learn more and register at GracePolaris.org/Women.

**The Art of Parenting** February 1 & 2, Ministry Center. Learn more and register by January 28 at GracePolaris.org/Parenting.

**Wednesday Evening Bible Study** Wednesdays, February 6–April 17, 7:00 p.m., MC4. Dive into the Gospel of Mark with Pastor Zac Hess.

#### 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 1:5–9. What powerful or protective person has been the biggest source of security and inspiration in your life? What difference does their presence with you make?
- 2 Define courage. What reasons did Joshua have to show courage? What other individuals in the Bible showed admirable courage?
- 3 "Repetition is the mother of learning." God exhorts Joshua to strength and courage four times in these verses. Why is repetition so important in life and maturity?
- 4 Joshua was commanded to obey the Law in its entirety (1:7,8). What is "the Law" for us? Are there commands for us that correspond to what Joshua was to obey?
- 5 What's the difference between an emphasis on obedience and legalism?
- 6 Are you ever tempted to treat God's commands as mere suggestions or recommendations? If so, why is this shortsighted?
- 7 The key to prosperity and success is obedience. They key to obedience is the presence of God in our lives (1:8). Why?

#### PRAY

Ask God for the ability to understand His Word and for the courage to obey Him. Repent of your disobedience. Humbly surrender those areas of your life to Him.

