

Rise Up: Bringing Leaders To Life

WEEK 1: Sunday, March 12 - Joshua

The Committed Leader

Joshua 1:1-2 - 1 After the death of Moses the Lord's servant, the Lord spoke to Joshua son of Nun, Moses' assistant. He said, 2 "Moses my servant is dead. Therefore, the time has come for you to lead these people, the Israelites, across the Jordan River into the land I am giving them."

God is telling Joshua "This is YOUR MOMENT to RISE UP"

Joshua 1:6-9 - 6 "Be strong and courageous, for you are the one who will lead these people to possess all the land I swore to their ancestors I would give them. 7 Be strong and very courageous. Be careful to obey 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. 8 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. 9 This is my command—be strong and courageous! Do not be afraid or discouraged. For the Lord your God is with you wherever you go."

Joshua is telling the people "This is YOUR MOMENT to RISE UP"

Joshua 24:14-15 - 14 "So fear the Lord and serve him wholeheartedly."

1. RISING UP Requires Unwavering Love

"This is who I am, this is who I will be, no matter what"

Joshua 24:14-15 - "Put away forever the idols your ancestors worshiped when they lived beyond the Euphrates River and in Egypt. Serve the Lord alone. 15 But if you refuse to serve the Lord, then choose today whom you will serve. Would you prefer the gods your ancestors served beyond the Euphrates? Or will it be the gods of the Amorites in whose land you now live?"

2. RISING UP Requires Undivided Loyalty

"Taking a stand for what is right, turning away from what is wrong, no matter what"

Joshua 24:14-15 - "But as for me and my family, we will serve the Lord."

3. RISING UP Requires Uncompromising Leadership

"Complete devotion to God, complete devotion to my family, no matter what"

This is YOUR MOMENT! Will you RISE UP?

Family Covenant:

"Today, I make the commitment to love God with all of my heart, with all of my soul, and with all of my strength. This is who I will be. I will lead by standing for what is right, and by turning away from what is wrong. As for me and my family, we will serve the Lord."