

"Facing the Future"

Joshua 1:1-18



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Dear Lord,

*Help me to relax about insignificant details,
beginning tomorrow at 7:41:23 a.m. EST.*

*Help me to consider people's feelings, even
if most of them are hypersensitive.*

*Help me to take responsibility for the
consequences of my actions, even though
they're usually not my fault.*

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Dear Lord,

Help me to not try to run everything - but, if you need some help, please feel free to ask me.

Help me to be more laid back, and help me to do it exactly right.

Give me patience, and I mean right now!

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Dear Lord,

Help me not be a perfectionist. (Did I spell that correctly?)

Help me to finish everything I sta...

Help me to do only what I can, and trust you for the rest. And would you mind putting that in writing?

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Dear Lord,

Keep me open to others' ideas, misguided though they may be.

Help me follow established procedures.

Hey, wait ... this is wrong ...

*Help me slow down
and not rush through what I do. Amen*

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Listen to who is talking ...

- *GOD speaks to JOSHUA (vs. 1-9)*

3 Realities when God speaks:

Leadership is inspired

Devotion is encouraged

Strength & courage are offered

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Listen to who is talking ...

- *JOSHUA speaks to the PEOPLE (vs. 10-15)*

3 crucial mistakes to avoid:

Idolize the past

Compromise the present

Discount the future

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Listen to who is talking ...

- *The PEOPLE Speak to JOSHUA (vs. 16-18)*

3 responses of commitment:

Commands are followed

Action is taken

Strength & courage are claimed

