

# LIFE GROUP

Notes

## Session 4



**READING: Joshua 1:10-11 and 3:1-5**

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### **IN** *Introduction*

This chapter in the book of Joshua, we pick up the story when Joshua tells the people that the time has come for them to enter into the Promised Land in 3 days time. They should gather their possessions and consecrate themselves in preparation.

QUESTION: Have you ever had to prepare for a big trip? How did you feel about it and what did you do in preparation?

QUESTION: Have you ever had to wait for an important piece of news? How did it make you feel and what did you do while waiting?

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### **UP** *Explore*

Joshua 1:10-11

- Reflect on how the people of God have got to this point - how might they be feeling now? How had God shown that He was with them up to this point?
- Imagine gathering up your family and all your possessions and preparing to enter a new land - what might you be thinking during these 3 days?

Joshua 3:1

- What challenges still lay ahead of them in getting to and securing the Promised Land?
- How easy was it to decide to take this next step? What encouraged them?

Joshua 3:2-5

- Why is the Ark of the Covenant going ahead of them so significant?
  - What does it mean to 'consecrate' ourselves before a move of God?
  - How could they best prepare themselves for the next day and what does it teach us?
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### **OUT** *Impact*

Next Sunday is Step Up Sunday when we will be asked to indicate how we want to be involved in the Trinity Centre and how we can offer our resources to this exciting new venture.

Let's ask God how He wants us to be involved and ask for His vision and provision so we may respond in generosity. Perhaps share your own experiences of being involved and ways in which you are excited for the new project. Ask God in prayer to guide us as to our response.