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Rising Concerns | Joshua 22

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the service.*



Outline of Joshua

1-4

entering
the land



5-12

taking the
land



13-21

dividing
the land



22-24

keeping
the land





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Main P  nt

God wants His people to be
appropriately concerned about
remaining faithful to Him.



God's people must be concerned about...

- Ongoing Obedience (vv.1-9)



Points to Ponder

Excel still more.

4 Finally, then, brothers, we ask and urge you in the Lord Jesus, that as you received from us how you ought to walk and to please God, just as you are doing, **that you do so more and more.**

(1 Thessalonians 4:1)



God's people must be concerned about...

- Ongoing Obedience (vv.1-9)
- Emerging Idolatry (vv.10-20)



Points to Ponder

Guard yourselves from idols.

²¹ Little children, keep yourselves from idols.

(1 John 5:21)





¹² Take care, brothers, lest there be in any of you an evil, unbelieving heart, leading you to fall away from the living God. ¹³ But exhort one another every day, as long as it is called “today,” **that none of you may be hardened by the deceitfulness of sin.** ¹⁴ For we have come to share in Christ, if indeed we hold our original confidence firm to the end.



God's people must be concerned about...

- Ongoing Obedience (vv.1-9)
- Emerging Idolatry (vv.10-20)
- Preserving Unity (vv.21-29)



Points to Ponder

Be eager to maintain unity.

² with all humility and gentleness,
with patience, bearing with one another
in love, ³ **eager to maintain the unity
of the Spirit** in the bond of peace.

(Ephesians 4:2-3)



God's people must be concerned about...

- Ongoing Obedience (vv.1-9)
- Emerging Idolatry (vv.10-20)
- Preserving Unity (vv.21-29)
- Remembering Truth (vv.30-34)



Points to Ponder

Never **forget** God's benefits.

103 Bless the LORD, O my soul,
and all that is within me,
bless his holy name!

² Bless the LORD, O my soul,
and **forget not all his benefits**

(Psalm 103:1-2)





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Benediction

“Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be frightened, and do not be dismayed, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go.”

Joshua 1:9



“Rising Concerns”

Joshua 22 - *Pastor Scott Gnuse*

Main Point: God wants His people to be appropriately concerned about remaining faithful to Him.

If God's people are to remain faithful, then they must be concerned about...

- Ongoing obedience (1-9)

Point to Ponder: _____ still more (1 Thess. 4:1)

- Emerging idolatry (10-20)

Point to Ponder: _____ yourselves from idols (1 John 5:21)

- Preserving unity (21-29)

Point to Ponder: Be _____ to maintain unity (Eph. 4:1-6)

- Remembering truth (30-34)

Point to Ponder: Never _____ God's benefits (Ps. 103)

Reflection Questions:

1. What are you most concerned about (good or bad) at the start of each day? How did today's lesson help you think about setting godly priorities?
2. How is idolatry a threat to faithfulness? Can you identify any idols in your own life? What steps can you take this week to guard yourself from these idols?
3. What does Joshua 22 teach us about the intentional relationship God's people should have with one another? In what ways are you responsible for pursuing accountability and preserving unity among God's people?
4. Read John 13:34-35. How do God's people show they are united? Why do you think God cares so much about the unity of his followers?
5. What are some ways you can daily remember God's blessings in your own life?