

Title: No Shades Of Grey - Joshua:1 10-18

Read:

¹⁰⁻¹¹ Then Joshua gave orders to the people's leaders: "Go through the camp and give this order to the people: 'Pack your bags. In three days you will cross this Jordan River to enter and take the land God, your God, is giving you to possess.'" ¹²⁻¹⁵ Then Joshua addressed the Reubenites, the Gadites, and the half-tribe of Manasseh. He said, "Remember what Moses the servant of God commanded you: God, your God, gives you rest and he gives you this land. Your wives, your children, and your livestock can stay here east of the Jordan, the country Moses gave you; but you, tough soldiers all, must cross the River in battle formation, leading your brothers, helping them until God, your God, gives your brothers a place of rest just as he has done for you. They also will take possession of the land that God, your God, is giving them. Then you will be free to return to your possession, given to you by Moses the servant of God, across the Jordan to the east." ¹⁶⁻¹⁸ They answered Joshua: "Everything you commanded us, we'll do. Wherever you send us, we'll go. We obeyed Moses to the letter; we'll also obey you—we just pray that God, your God, will be with you as he was with Moses. Anyone who questions what you say and refuses to obey whatever you command him will be put to death. Strength! Courage!"

Think:

If you watch a football player on the pitch who is indecisive you will soon see them lose the ball. If they are stood there wondering whether to go left or right, it will be a matter of seconds before the opposing player has taken the ball away from them and moved on. The same happens when it comes to dancers on the stage if someone leaps into the air ready to be caught, you don't want an indecisive catcher or they will soon end up on the deck. Well it's no different when it comes to following Gods plans for our lives. If God has told you to set up a Christian group at school, don't muck around get on with it. If you get on with it people will come. If you dilly dally and seem wimpy about it, people won't catch your vision. If God has told you to put on a debate at college, do it the very best you can. May it big, make it exciting, because our God is big, our god is exciting. Joshua had listened to God, Joshua had spent time looking in his Bible. But once he knew what God wanted there was no messing around, he got on with it. And the peoples reaction? Well as soon as they realised that they had a leader who followed God, they were with him, they were ready to die for him. So whatever God has given you to do, do it to the very best of your ability and do it with the enthusiasm that our massive God deserves.

Pray:

God you're our massively exciting God. Please give me the ability to convey that excitement to others around me as I seek to do what I believe you want me to do. Amen.

Action:

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