

5. What will Joshua teach US NOW? and HOW?

Immanuel Sunday School

7th September 2025

= the Lord... "Joshua" ... the people... the land

Things to think about:

- what has / hasn't changed with the coming of Christ?
- "typology"

Consider:

The Lord

Joshua = Jesus

The people

The land

See Hebrews 4:8-16

Introducing the book of Joshua

While waiting to begin

1. Share briefly anything you know about the book of Joshua: favourite events... or characters.... or verses.
2. Look at Joshua 24:31. Does this feel to you like a *positive* or a *negative* statement? Why?

1. Where does Joshua come in the Bible?

What's happened before Joshua?

What happens after Joshua?

2. What is Joshua about?

See 1:1-3

= the Lord... Joshua... the people... the LAND (x87)

3. What happens in the book of Joshua?

= enter... conquer... inherit... obey

= the 4 sections of the book

see outline →

Part 1 ENTER: entering the land – chapters 1:1 - 5:12

1:1-18	Yahweh still faithful
2:1-24	The spies report: “Canaan defeated”
3:1-4:24	Crossing the Jordan
5:1-12	Ritual preparations

Part 2 CONQUER: taking the land – chapters 5:13 – 12:24

5:13-6:27	Battle of Jericho
7:1-8:29	Achan’s sin and the Battle of Ai
8:30-35	Covenant renewed at Mount Ebal
9:1-27	Treaty with Gibeon
10:1-43	Conquest of the south
11:1-15	Conquest of the north
11:16-23	The conquest summarised
12:1-24	List of defeated kings

Part 3 INHERIT: allotting the land – chapters 13:1 – 21:45

13:1-7	Land still to be taken
13:8-33	Distribution of land east of the Jordan
14:1-19:51	Distribution of land west of the Jordan
20:1-9	Cities of refuge
21:1-42	Levitical towns
21:43-45	*Summary of God’s amazing faithfulness

Part 4 OBEY: keeping the land – chapters 22:1-24:33

22:1-34	The eastern tribes’ altar of witness
23:1-16	Joshua’s farewell address
24:1-28	Covenant farewell at Shechem
24:29-33	Three funerals... but buried in the land

4. Getting a flavour of Joshua: let’s read...

ENTER

1:1-3

3:11-13

CONQUER

5:13-15

7:1

8:34-35

12:7

INHERIT / ALLOT

13:8

21:43-45

OBEY / KEEP THE LAND

23:14-16

24:14-28