

Confirmation and Covenant

TEXT: Joshua 24

INTRODUCTION:

- A. JOSHUA WAS UNIQUE AMONG GOD'S LEADERS.
- B. CLOSE OF HIS LIFE, CONFIRMATION AND COVENANT.
- C. CHALLENGING SPEECH. FOUR PARTS.

I. HISTORY LESSON(vs. 1-13).

- A. SEPARATION OF ABRAHAM FROM IDOLATRY(vs. 2-3).
- B. GOD RICHLY BLESSES ABRAHAM AND HIS SEED(vs. 3-4).
- C. DELIVERANCE FROM EGYPT(vs. 5-7).
- D. POSSESSION OF THE LAND(vs. 8-11).
- E. ISRAEL DIDN'T DO IT, GOD DID! (vs. 12-13).
- F. **Deut. 7:17-21; Deut. 6:10-15; 7:6-8; Psa. 44:3.**
- G. **Phil. 3:9; 1 John 4:9-10; Rom 5:8.**

II. "CHOOSE"(vs. 14-15).

- A. DO AWAY WITH IDOLATRY, DISTRACTIONS, ERROR(**2 Cor. 7:1; 2 Tim 2:4; Matt. 6:24**).
- B. CHOICE(**Rev. 22:17**).
- C. BASED ON CONSIDERATION OF THE FACTS (**1 Kings 18:21**).
- D. COMMITMENT OF JOSHUA - AGAINST ALL ODDS.
 - 1. Complete sacrifice(**Gal. 2:20; Phil. 3:7-9; Luke 14:26-28**).
 - 2. Preoccupation(**Col. 3:1-2**).
 - 3. God's promise(**2 Tim. 2:11-13**).
 - 4. But ...(**2 Tim. 1:12**).

III. FIRST RESPONSE - THE CHOICE IS MADE(vs. 16-18).

IV. WARNING AND SECOND RESPONSE(vs. 19-28).

- A. GOD DEMANDS HOLINESS(vs. 19-20).
- B. THE PEOPLE CONFIRM THEIR DECISION(vs. 21).
- C. THE CHOICE CONFIRMED IN A COVENANT(vs. 21-25).
- D. MEMORIALIZATION(vs. 25-28) **DO WE HAVE MEMORIALS?**
- E. FOLLOW UP(**Judges 2:1-4; 11-17; 17:6**). **HOW DO WE SCORE?**

CONCLUSION:

- A. JOSHUA'S DEATH AND BURIAL.
- B. DEATH OF ELEAZER AND BURIAL OF JOSEPH.
- C. JOSHUA'S EPITAPH(vs. 31).
- D. **WHAT IS TO BE SAID ABOUT US?**