

Chapter Nine Leader Guide

Be strong and courageous, because you will lead these people to inherit the land I swore to their ancestors to give them. Be strong and very courageous. Be careful to obey all the law my servant Moses gave you; do not turn from it to the right or to the left, that you may be successful wherever you go. Keep this Book of the Law always on your lips; meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do everything written in it. Then you will be prosperous and successful. JOSHUA 1:6-8 NIV

REMINDER:

 Continue to talk about the Freedom Conference Nov 14-15th, encouraging everyone to attend. Please use the QR Code for your members to register for the Freedom Conference.



OVERVIEW:

The same power that is in Jesus is in the Word. We must receive that truth for the Word to work in our lives. If at some point we feel the Word has lost its power, it's not because the Word has changed, it's because we've stopped mixing the Word with faith. If you want to fall in love with Jesus, find Him in the Word, and make the Word a priority in your life. If you want more power, consume more of His Word.

We need the Spirit of God for the Word to come alive, and when it does, it will genuinely change our lives. "Rhema" is the Greek word for "word," and it means "revealed word." When the Word becomes revealed to you, no word God speaks will be void of the power for its fulfillment.

Activate the Word of God in your life by making God's Word a priority, believing what you read, and meditating on Scripture. One of the great ways to meditate on the Word of God is to speak God's Word out loud. Find declarations in Scripture that you can speak out loud to strengthen your spirit. Another way to meditate on the Word is to think about it day and night. Choose a verse and study it throughout the day. The promises of God are fulfilled when we walk in obedience to His Word. Meditation will turn into revelation, revelation will activate your faith, and when your faith is activated, things change!

DISCUSSION GUIDE:

- Application from chapter 8: Last week we looked for an encouraging Scripture verse
 to replace the negative words that may have been spoken over us. Take a few
 minutes to share those verses with the group.
- Are you regularly consuming the Word of God and letting its truth replace your old way of thinking? If not, what do you think is standing in the way of you reading the Word?
- What are you learning about God and yourself as you read the Word?
- What are some practical ways you can get more of the Word in your life?

APPLICATION:

- Asking good questions is a key to understanding what you read. When reading God's Word this week, try thinking about these questions to help you gain understanding:
 - O What does God want me to learn about Him?
 - O What does God want me to learn about people?
 - What does God want me to learn about relating to Him?
 - What does God want me to learn about relating to others?

PRAYER FOCUS:

- Ask the Lord to create a hunger in each heart for God's Word
- Pray that God's Word would bring revelation to each participant.