



## Lesson 50: Joshua's warning

### *Scriptural Basis:*



Joshua 23 and 24, Deuteronomy 6 and 31:14-32:47

### *Overview:*

Joshua is now old, and provides a recap of how the Israelites came to live in the land. That is, starting with an act of grace extended to Abraham – saving him from the worship of false gods – God faithfully fulfilled His promise to deliver Abraham's descendants to the Promised Land. He did all the 'heavy lifting' from the very beginning of the nation. The sum of God's provision is stated in verse 24:13, where God reminds the people that everything they have – the cities, the homes and gardens, food and livestock - was given to them; they did nothing to earn it. This reaches back to echo Moses' address to the people in Deuteronomy 6, and the stark warnings of the consequence of rebellion in Moses' song (written by the LORD) in Deuteronomy 32!

### *Things to consider:*

The journey of the Israelites is a microcosm of the journey of humanity – trapped in slavery, then, for those who put their faith in Jesus, delivered to a home (heaven) that we did not build.

### *Bible Study for Preparation:*



Read Joshua 24. Reflect on the many ways God put His glory on display as He provided for Israel, and consider how much more He has provided for those who put their faith in Jesus who graciously rescued us from our own rebellion.

## *Teaching the lesson:*

A: Review – Last week – The division of the land (yet it's not about the land).

B: Bible verse memory activity

C. Story

D. Additional activity