THE BOOK OF JOSHUA: OBTAINING OUR INHERITANCE

TEXTBOOK READING SUMMARY

Instructions:

Answers to the Reading Summary Questions should each be one paragraph.

- 1. Explain in your own words how the major natural activities recorded in the Book of Joshua have a spiritual fulfillment for the New Testament Christian.
- 2. Explain the basic message of the four quarters of the book of Joshua.
- 3. In what ways do we need to become good soldiers for Christ?
- 4. Describe two modern day examples of how names can have spiritual significance.
- 5. How do the first five books of the Bible show the preparations for the Israelites to obtain their inheritance from God?
- 6. Describe how Rahab turned to God, and the results that this produced.
- 7. Explain the spiritual significance of crossing the Jordan.
- 8. What is the spiritual significance of the numbers 12 and 2000? How can we know this?
- 9. Describe the spiritual meaning of circumcision for the New Testament Christian.
- 10. Explain some of the differences of the two times that the Israelites passed through water (the Rea Sea and the Jordan River).
- 11. Explain from Ephesians 6:12 and the textbook what we need to fight against to conquer our own inheritances. Are you personally engaged in any spiritual warfare, or do you know someone who experiences these things?
- 12. What were the reasons why Israel experienced temporary failure at Ai.
- 13. Describe a wrong alliance, promise, or contract that you had made, that has spiritually hindered you in the past.

- 14. What is an example from your life or family of a spiritual inheritance which has needed to be reclaimed for good.
- 15. Why is it not enough to "conquer the land" and obtain your inheritance? Give an example from the book and from your own experience.
- 16. What do the tribes that wanted to live on the East side of the Jordan represent for us? What can we learn from them, and from Balaam?
- 17. What we see and experience as a young Christian is often what the Lord prepares us to enter into in a much greater way when we are ready for our inheritance. Explain how this worked in Caleb's life, and then offer some suggestions of how it may work in your life.
- 18. Why did the Israelites not completely rid the land of the Canaanites? How can this apply to your life?
- 19. What does the story of the daughters of Zelophehad (both in Numbers and Joshua) teach women about choosing a spouse?
- 20. How are the complaints of the tribe of Ephraim and the half tribe of Manasseh similar to some of the complaints we sometimes make to God?
- 21. It is a principle that we must honor our fathers and mothers in Christ if we want to abide in the spiritual inheritance they can impart to us. How is this shown in the life and descendents of Simeon?
- 22. What are the two reasons why the Levites were the only tribe that wasn't given a section or province in the Promised Land?
- 23. Describe some ways that we can build a "family altar" in our households.
- 24. What is the last godly testimony that a life lived for God can offer? How can you plan for this?