

**“Historical Books Of The Bible”**  
**Joshua 15-19**  
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The following chapters, Joshua 15-19, have detailed lists of boundaries and cities. It is basically a Real Estate Deed.

The word “Inheritance” is found over 50X in these next 9 chapters.

“Land” – The word is used 87X in Joshua.

“Inheritance” – “Canaan rest” is a picture of the rest that Christian believer’s experience when they yield their all to Jesus and claim their inheritance by faith.

**2 Tim. 3:16**

We will look at “10 Lessons From Israel’s Inheritance”

**Joshua 15:1-12 and Joshua 15:21-63** Is the rest of the tribe of Judah’s inheritance. There are a total of 36 cities that are named.

**Genesis 49:8-12, there, 3 things stood out:**

1. Gen. 49:8-9 – Judah would be surrounded by enemies
2. Gen. 49:10 – The Messiah would come – Shiloh.
3. Gen. 49:11-12 – Land suited for planting and vineyards

**Joshua 15:13**

**Lesson Number #1 – “Caleb Teaches Us That We Are Never Too Old For New Conquests”**

Joshua 15:14-15

Kiriath-sepher – “city of the book”; It was the home of an ancient library. It was changed to Debir – “oracle or word”; It speaks of the “Word by which God speaks to His people.”

Joshua 15:16

**Lesson Number #2 – “The Value And Influence Of A Godly Life”**

Joshua 15:17 – “And Othniel” – “lion of God”

Joshua 15:18-19

Caleb Example Affected The Next Generation.

Joshua 15:21-63 – Is the rest of the tribe of Judah's inheritance.

Jebusites – descendants of the 3rd son of Canaan who lived in or around the site of Jebus, the early name for Jerusalem.

Judges 1:8

Jud 1:21

### **Lesson Number #3 – “There Is A High Cost To Compromise”**

Num. 32:23

Only later David captured it permanently and made it the capital (2 Samuel 5:6-10)

Joshua 16-17 – Inheritance of Joseph (Ephraim And Manasseh)

Joshua 16:1-4 – Is the general boundaries for both sons.

Joshua 16:5-10 – Is the tribe of Ephraim.

Joshua 16:10

Gezer – “portion”

### **Lesson Number #4 – “The Christian Walk Is A Faith Walk”**

We all will have our own battles. For Judah, it was Jerusalem, with Ephraim it was Gezer.

Joshua 17:1-13 – We have the inheritance of Manasseh.

Joshua 17:3-6

Numbers 27:1-11

## **Lesson Number #5 – “God Wants To Give Us An Inheritance”**

Joshua 17:12-13

## **Lesson Number #6 – “Character Is More Important Than Comfort”**

Joshua 17:14-18 – Problems With The Children Of Joseph.  
2 Co 7:1

## **Lesson Number #7 – “Believing Not Boasting Brings New Territory”**

Joshua 17:15-17

Joshua gives a beautiful message to them that we can apply to our situations:

1. You Are Blessed In Numbers – “You are a numerous people”
2. God Has Empowered You – “and have great power; you shall not have one lot [only,]”

Joshua 17:18

3. You Need To Go To Work – “you shall clear it, and to its farthest borders it shall be yours;”
4. God Will Give You The Victory – “for you shall drive out the Canaanites, even though they have chariots of iron [and] though they are strong.”

James 3:16

Joshua 18:1-10 – Survey Of Remaining Land.

Joshua 18:1

## **Lesson Number #8 – “The Key To Inheritance Is Keeping God In The Center Of Life”**

“Wherever I Have A House, There God Shall Have An Alter.”

Shiloh – means “rest”; There in the center of Canaan.

Joshua 18:2-3

## **Lesson Number #9 – “The Diligent Through Faith Receive”**

Proverbs 12:27

Joshua 18:4-10

Joshua 18:11-28 – The Inheritance Of Benjamin.

## **Lesson Number #10 – “The Land And The People Go Together”**

Joshua 19:1-9 – Inheritance Of Simeon.

Joshua 19:10-16 – Inheritance Of Zebulun.

Joshua 19:17-23 – Inheritance Of Issachar.

Joshua 19:24-31 – Inheritance Of Asher.

Joshua 19:32-39 – Inheritance Of Naphtali. Center of Christ's ministry.

Matthew 4:15-16

Joshua 19:40-48 – Inheritance Of Dan.

Joshua 19:49-51 – Summary

### **Application:**

1. “The Great Value And Influence Of A Godly Life” (Caleb at 85)
2. “There Is A High Cost To Compromise” (Co-existing with the enemy)
3. “Character Is More Important Than Comfort” (Never stop growing)
4. “The Key To Inheritance Is Keeping God In The Center Of Life”