

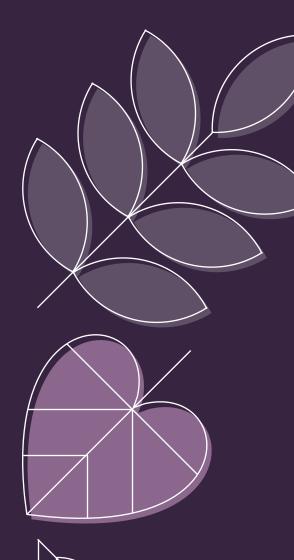
DECISIONS REFLECT OUR VALUES

JOSHUA 24 1-3, 13-14, 21-24 NEW LIVING TRANSLATION

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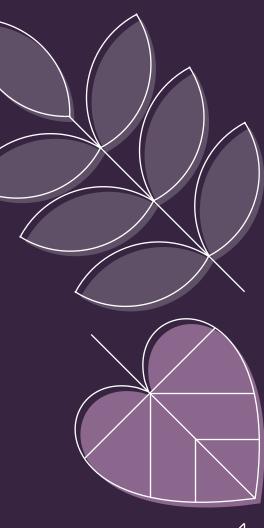






DECISIONS REFLECT OUR VALUES.

- Values express our character, beliefs, how we conduct ourselves.
- We are known for our values.
 Values direct our decisions.







JOSHUA WAS BORN IN SLAVERY.

- He had been Moses Assistant....
- When Moses died, Joshua was prepared to take over leadership.
- He emerged as the chief leader
- Joshua was a brilliant military leader and a strong spiritual influence.
- He was well prepared to lead the Israelites into the Promised land.

GOD MANDATED JOSHUA TO BE STRONG... BE BRAVE.

I will not leave you; I will be with you.

Everywhere you put your feet, you will be successful.

Keep the Book of the Law depart from your mouth.

Meditate on it night and day.

You will be successful. Don't be terrified....

Don't be scared.... You will be prosperous.



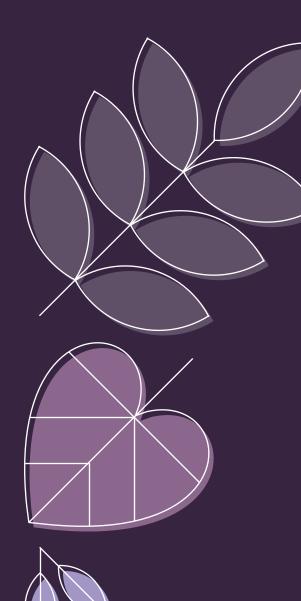
PROVERBS: 3:5-6 – TRUST IN THE LORD WITH ALL YOU HEART,

 Don't lean on your own understanding – In all your ways acknowledge Him, and he will make your paths straight.



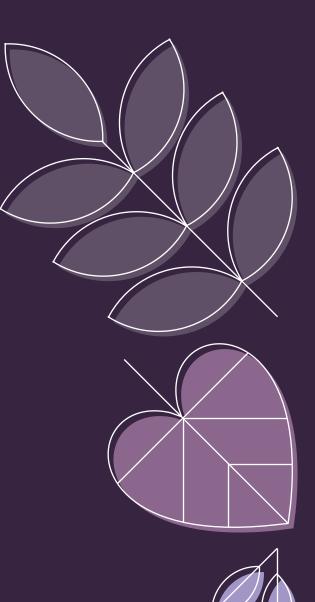
GO FORWARD – THEY WERE NOT GOING BACK –

When God gives you an assignment – don't go backwards Your assignment is a divine assignment that comes with inherent burdens, but also trust in God.



DO SOMETHING. MINISTRY INVOLVES FAITH & ACTION

- Don't fear be strong, courageous
- One word here is that God appoints leaders to take the lead.
- The Priest had to take the Ark of the Covenant and go ahead of the people.





TRUST GOD

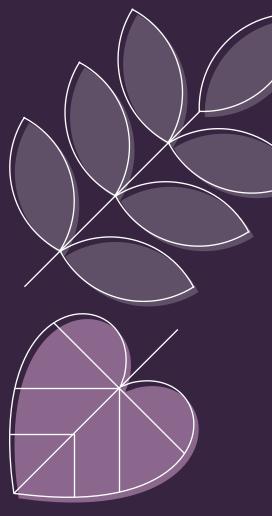
God has a purpose for your life.

Trust the assignment God is giving you.

Promises from God, does not mean we will not have to overcome some barriers.

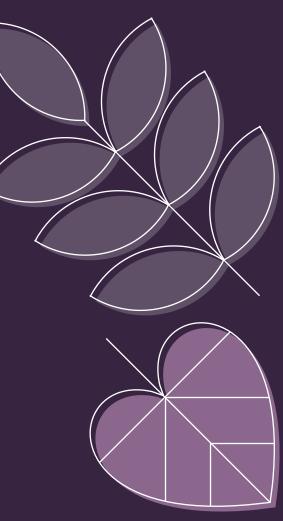
We all have experienced barriers.





THE LAND OF CAANAN BELONGED TO GOD.

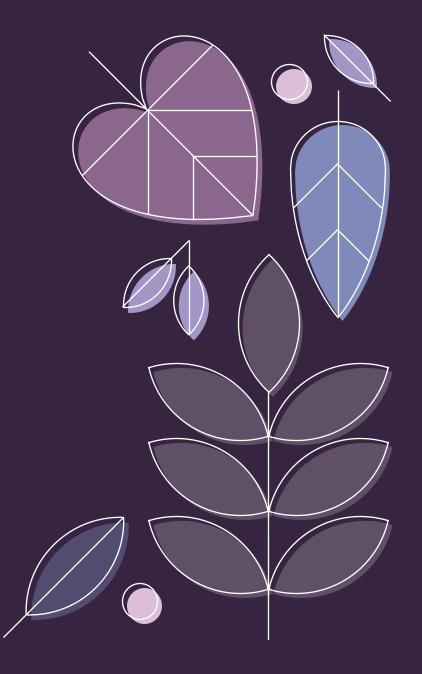
- When we fight, we win!!! But it is God who gets the victory.
- We give God the glory we don't glorify ourselves.

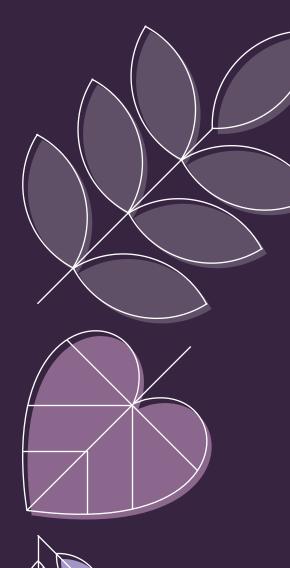


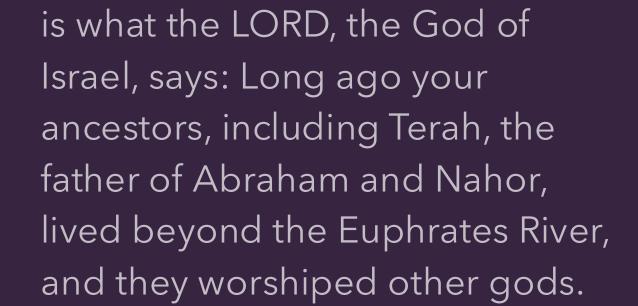




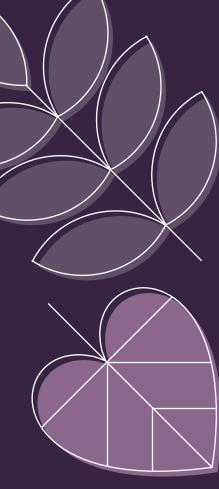
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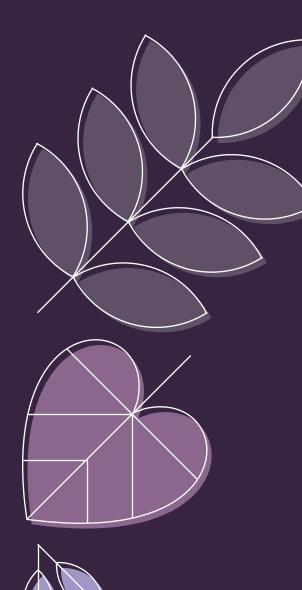




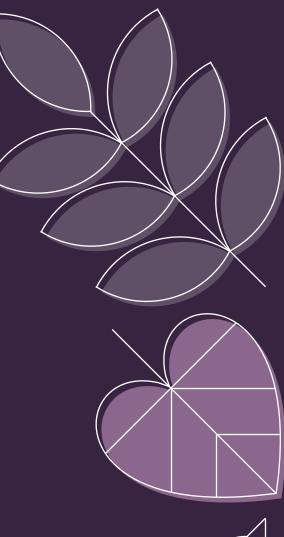
2 Joshua said to the people, "This



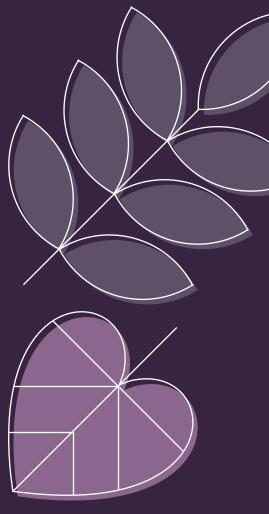




• 3 But I took your ancestor Abraham from the land beyond the Euphrates and led him into the land of Canaan. I gave him many descendants through his son Isaac

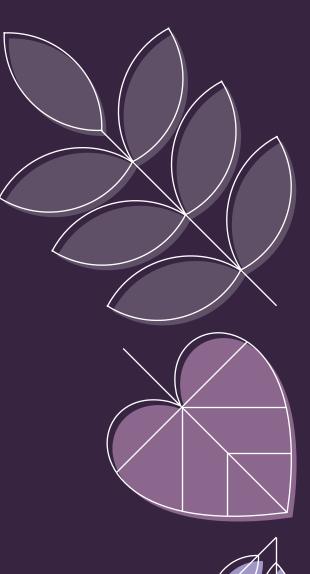


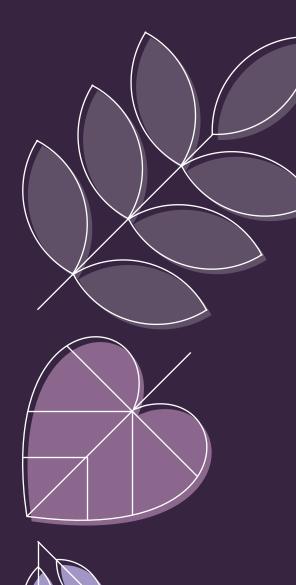




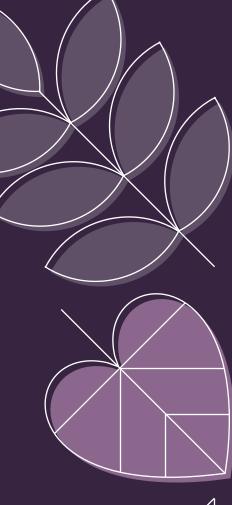


 13 I gave you land you had not worked on, and I gave you towns you did not build—the towns where you are now living. I gave you vineyards and olive groves for food, though you did not plant them.





14 So fear the LORD and serve him wholeheartedly. Put away forever the idols your ancestors worshiped when they lived beyond the Euphrates River and in Egypt. Serve the LORD alone.

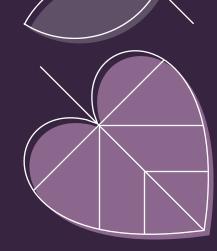






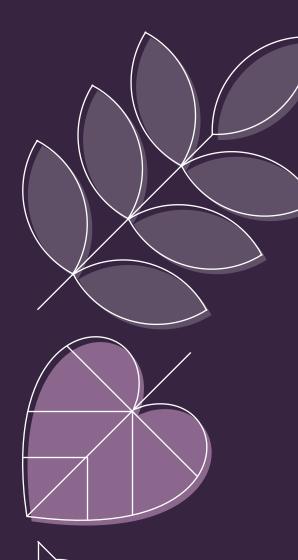


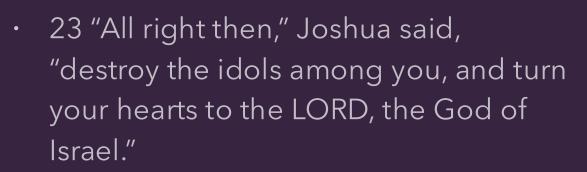
- 15 But if you refuse to serve the LORD, then choose today whom you will serve. Would you prefer the gods your ancestors served beyond the Euphrates? Or will it be the gods of the Amorites in whose land you now live?
- But as for me and my family, we will serve the LORD.





- 21 But the people answered Joshua, "No, we will serve the LORD!"
- 22 "You are a witness to your own decision," Joshua said. "You have chosen to serve the LORD." "Yes," they replied, "we are witnesses to what we have said."





 24 The people said to Joshua, "We will serve the LORD our God. We will obey him alone."

