

# leadership

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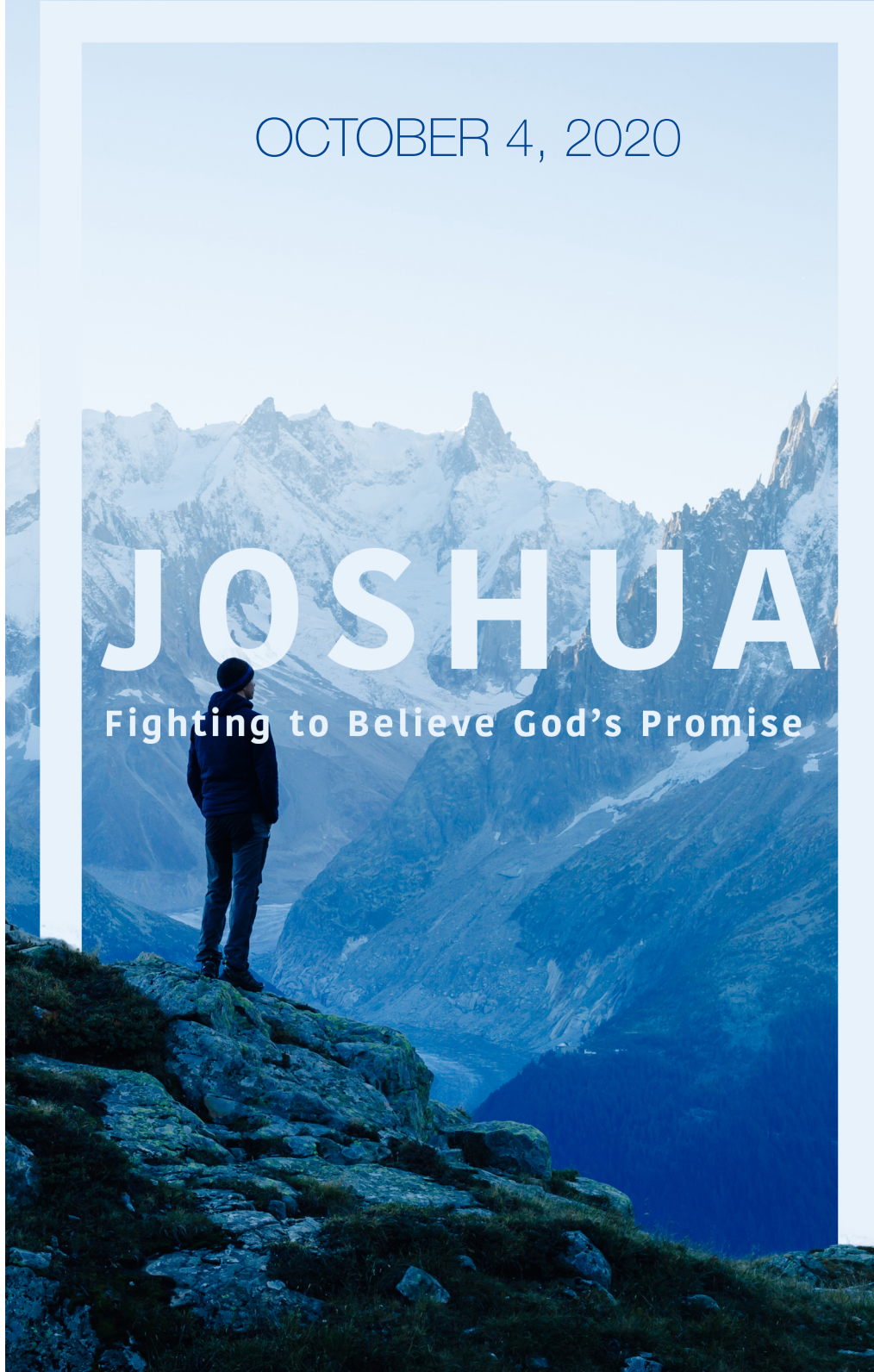
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OCTOBER 4, 2020

# JOSHUA

Fighting to Believe God's Promise



# welcome

## our purpose

We are delighted that you joined us today! Our purpose is to glorify God by making and maturing disciples of Jesus Christ. Our ministry vision is to love God with all that we are, and love others as much as we love ourselves.

As you worship with us today, you'll notice how often we reference the gospel of Jesus Christ.

We don't have it all figured out, but we know that God saves sinners through faith in the death and resurrection of Jesus. Please join us as we exalt God by singing about his greatness and as we seek to know more about him from the Bible.

## the gospel

You will hear us talk about the gospel a lot. Actually it is the center of everything we do here at Highlands.

1. **God** - the only all-knowing, all-powerful King and Creator of all things. He created us to enjoy and glorify him forever. [Psalm 19:1-2; Romans 1:18-32]
2. **Sin** - Yet, we rejected God, and established ourselves as gods of our lives, separating ourselves from Him, and becoming objects of His wrath. In so doing we also unleashed sin, sickness, death and evil. [Ephesians 2:1-3; Romans 5:12-14]
3. **Christ** - In God's unparalleled mercy and grace, He already had a plan to reconcile us to Himself. The entire Old Testament points to the coming of the Messiah - revealed in the New Testament as Jesus Christ. [John 1; Ephesians 2:4-7; Romans 3:21-26]
4. **Response** - None of this is effective for us unless we respond in two ways: repent/turn from our self control and sin [Mark 1:15], and believe in the gospel [John 3:16-18]. We are then given new life in Christ, forgiven, justified, adopted into God's family, and we persevere in the faith. [1 John 1:9; 2 Corinthians 5:17; Matthew 24:13; Ephesians 4:1]

## calendar

- See the Events Page on our website or app for more info!
- Monday Night Care Group - every Monday 7pm at church
- Men's Bible Study - 7am Wednesdays - Zoom
- MidWeek Study - 6:30pm - Wednesdays - Bible Overview - at HBC
- Ladies Bible Study - Tuesdays and Thursdays, see Mel or Doreen
- **Member Meeting - TONIGHT, 6pm**
- Next Steps New Members Class - Sunday, October 11th, 6pm

## finances

General Offering - Aug '20	\$25,186.65
Designated Gifts - Aug '20	\$568.25
YTD General Offering thru Aug '20	\$174,234.90
2020 Budget	\$322,562.00

*Thank you so much for your generous gifts to the ministry of the church at Highlands. During this unprecedented time you can still continue to give online at [www.HighlandsBibleChurch.org/Resources/Give](http://www.HighlandsBibleChurch.org/Resources/Give)*

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# worship guide

October 4, 2020

Our sermon passage today is from Joshua 18. As you prepare your heart for worship in song, in His Word, in the Lord's Table, and in the fellowship of the saints, please consider:

## COMPLEMENTARY SCRIPTURE

"Therefore, my beloved, as you have always obeyed, so now, not only as in my presence but much more in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling, for it is God who works in you, both to will and to work for his good pleasure."

(Philippians 2:12-13 ESV)

## CONSIDER - DISCUSS - PRAY

- Consider the presence of God - how do you cultivate that in daily life? How is that ultimately possible?
- Think about Israel and the seven tribes procrastination in taking their possession - think of a time when you procrastinated obeying God, or maybe a way you are right now? Why?
- What are some ways that only God can work? What work are we responsible for? What way has God worked that makes our work possible?
- Read the passage above from Philippians - who is writing? What does he mean by "work out your own salvation with fear and trembling?"
- Meditate on the goodness of God the Father, for giving us Jesus God the Son, and God the Spirit to continue to work in us!
- NEXT WEEK'S PASSAGE: Joshua 19

## SING

Behold Our God | All Creatures of Our God and King | How Firm a Foundation | Jesus, Thank You | Christ is Mine Forevermore

# sermon notes

October 4, 2020

## JOSHUA 18

*Inheritance and Obedience, Part 3*

1. Shiloh. [18:1; Genesis 49:10; John 1:14, 14:26]

**God's presence is with God's people for God's work.**

2. Slacking Off. [18:2-10; Deuteronomy 6:10-12]

**Big Idea: Our work always follows God's work.**

3. Little Brother Syndrome. [18:11-28]

**Verse 1**

**Who has held the oceans in His hands?  
Who has numbered every grain of sand?  
Kings and nations tremble at His voice  
All creation rises to rejoice.**

**Chorus 1**

**Behold our God seated on His throne, Come let us adore Him.  
Behold our King, nothing can compare, Come let us adore Him.**

**Verse 2**

**Who has given counsel to the Lord?  
Who can question any of His words?  
Who can teach the One  
Who knows all things?  
Who can fathom  
All His wondrous deeds?**

**Chorus 1**

**Verse 3**

**Who has felt the nails upon His hand,  
Bearing all the guilt of sinful man?  
God eternal humbled to the grave  
Jesus Savior risen now to reign!**

**Chorus 1**

**Bridge**

**[Men] You will reign forever. [Ladies] Let Your glory fill the earth**

**Chorus 1**

*Words and music by Jonathan Baird; Meghan Baird; Ryan Baird; Stephen Altrogge. 2011  
Sovereign Grace Praise (Admin. by Capitol CMG Publishing (IMI)); Sovereign Grace Worship  
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**VERSE 1**

**All creatures of our God and King  
Lift up your voice and with us sing,  
O praise Him! Alleluia!**

**Thou burning sun with golden beam  
Thou silver moon with softer gleam!  
O praise Him! O praise Him!  
Alleluia Alleluia Alleluia**

**Verse 2**

**Thou rushing wind that art so strong  
Ye clouds that sail in heaven along  
O praise Him, Alleluia**

**Thou rising moon in praise rejoice  
Ye lights of evening find a voice  
O praise Him O praise Him  
Alleluia Alleluia alleluia**

**VERSE 3**

**Let all things their Creator bless,  
And worship Him in humbleness,  
O praise Him! Alleluia!**

**Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son,  
And praise the Spirit, Three in One!  
O praise Him, O praise Him  
Alleluia alleluia alleluia**

*Words and music by St. Francis of Assisi*

**How Firm a Foundation**

**Verse 1**

**How firm a foundation  
Ye saints of the Lord  
Is laid for your faith  
In His excellent word  
What more can He say  
Than to you He hath said  
To you who for refuge  
To Jesus have fled**

**Verse 2**

**Fear not I am with thee  
O be not dismayed  
For I am thy God  
I will still give thee aid  
I'll strengthen thee help thee  
And cause thee to stand  
Upheld by My righteous  
Omnipotent hand**

**Verse 3**

**When through fiery trials  
Thy pathway shall lie  
My grace all-sufficient  
Shall be thy supply  
The flames shall not hurt  
Thee I only design  
Thy dross to consume  
And thy gold to refine**

**Verse 4**

**The soul that on Jesus  
Hath leaned for repose  
I will not I will not  
Desert to its foes  
That soul though all hell  
Should endeavor to shake  
I'll never no never  
No never forsake**

**Jesus Thank You**

**Verse 1**

**The myst'ry of the cross  
I cannot comprehend  
The agonies of Calvary**

**You the perfect Holy One  
Crushed Your Son  
Who drank the bitter cup  
Reserved for me**

**Chorus 1**

**Your blood has  
Washed away my sin  
Jesus thank You**

**The Father's wrath  
Completely satisfied  
Jesus thank You**

**Once Your enemy  
Now seated at Your table  
Jesus thank You**

**Verse 2**

**By Your perfect sacrifice  
I've been brought near  
Your enemy You've  
Made Your friend**

**Pouring out the riches  
Of Your glorious grace  
Your mercy and  
Your kindness know no end**

**Chorus 1**

**Your blood has  
Washed away my sin  
Jesus thank You**

**The Father's wrath  
Completely satisfied  
Jesus thank You**

**Once Your enemy  
Now seated at Your table  
Jesus thank You**

**Bridge  
Lover of my soul  
I want to live for You**

**Chorus 1  
Your blood has  
Washed away my sin  
Jesus thank You**

**The Father's wrath  
Completely satisfied  
Jesus thank You**

**Once Your enemy  
Now seated at Your table  
Jesus thank You**

**Your blood has  
Washed away my sin  
Jesus thank You**

**The Father's wrath  
Completely satisfied  
Jesus thank You**

**Yet Not I But Christ Thru Me**

**Once Your enemy  
Now seated at Your table  
Jesus thank You**

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**Verse 1**

**Mine are days that God has numbered  
I was made to walk with Him  
Yet I look for worldly treasure  
And forsake the King of kings**

**Chorus 1**

**But mine is hope in my Redeemer  
Though I fall His love is sure  
For Christ has paid for every failing  
I am His forevermore**

**Verse 2**

**Mine are tears in times of sorrow  
Darkness not yet understood  
Through the valley I must travel  
Where I see no earthly good**

**Chorus 2**

**But mine is peace that flows from heaven  
And the strength in times of need  
I know my pain will not be wasted  
Christ completes His work in me**

**Verse 3**

**Mine are days here as a stranger  
Pilgrim on a narrow way  
One with Christ I will encounter  
Harm and hatred for His name**

**Chorus 3**

**But mine is armour for this battle  
Strong enough to last the war  
And He has said He will deliver  
Safely to the golden shore**

**Chorus 4**

**And mine are keys to Zion city  
Where beside the King I walk  
For there my heart has found its treasure  
Christ is mine forevermore**

**Bridge**

**Come rejoice now O my soul  
For His love is my reward  
Fear is gone and hope is sure  
Christ is mine forevermore**

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