

**GAINING GODLY CONFIDENCE**  
**How to be Used by God - Part 1**  
**Joshua 1:1-11**  
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*“For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand so that we would walk in them.” Ephesians 2:10 (NASB)*

*“Being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus” Philippians 1:6 (NIV)*

**HOW TO GAIN CONFIDENCE.**

*“Be determined and confident” (vs. 6,7,9,18 GNT)*

**1. REMOVE THE DOUBT.**

*“Be bold and strong! Banish fear and doubt! For remember, the Lord your God is with you wherever you go.” Joshua 1:9 (TLB)*

What causes us to doubt?

*“Anyone who doubts is like a wave in the sea, blown up and down by the wind.” James 1:6 (NCV)*

**2. RECEIVE A PROMISE FROM GOD.**

*“I promised Moses I would give you this land, so I will give you every place you go in the land.” Joshua 1:3 (NCV)*

*“Now I am about to go the way of all the earth. You know that...not one of all the good promises God gave us has failed. Every promise has been fulfilled; not one has failed.” Joshua 23:14 (NIV)*

3 things Promised to those who Serve God:

1. STRENGTH (vs. 5)
2. SUCCESS (vs. 7)
3. SUPPORT (vs. 9)

*"Do not let this Book of the Law depart from your mouth; meditate on it day and night, so you may be careful to do everything written in it. Then you will be prosperous and successful."*  
Joshua 1:8 (NIV)

### **3. RELY ON THE LORD.**

*"No one will be able to defeat you all your life. Just as I was with Moses, so I will be with you. I will not leave you or forget you."* Joshua 1:5 (NCV)

*"Trust in the Lord with all your heart, And do not lean on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge Him, and He will make your paths straight." Proverbs 3:5-6 (NASB)*

### **4. RIDE AND DIE IN FAITH. (Extreme, unwavering loyalty)**

*"Then Joshua issued instructions to the leaders of Israel to tell the people to get ready to cross the Jordan River." Joshua 1:10-11 (TLB)*

*"If you wait for perfect conditions, you'll never get anything done!" Ecclesiastes 11:4 (TLB)*