

Old Testament: 39 Books

New Testament: 27 Books

BOOK HIGHLIGHTS: Joshua records the completion of the redemption of Israel out of Egypt. Redemption has two parts: "out" and "into" (Deuteronomy 6:23)

KEY STORIES:

- Joshua and the troops surround Jericho, blew trumpets and shouted, which made the walls fall down (Joshua 6).
- Rahab the harlot protected the spies of Israel and she and her family were saved. She married Salmon (Matthew 1:5; was Boaz's father).
- The sun stood still for almost a day at the command of Joshua (Joshua 10:12-14)



This book of the law shall not depart out of thy mouth; but thou shalt meditate therein day and night, that thou mayest observe to do according to all that is written therein; for then thou shalt make thy way prosperous, and then those shalt have good success. **Joshua 1:8** 

## Important Points about the Book:

- In a spiritual sense, the book of Joshua is the "Ephesians of the Old Testament". The "heavenly" of Ephesians is to the Christian what Canaan was to the Israelites—a place of conflict but also a place of victory through divine power. (Joshua 21:43-45 & Ephesians 1:3)
- Many people believe, and songs have been written about it, that Canaan is a type or picture of heaven. This is not entirely so Canaan was a place of conflict. At the very least, it proves there are no perfect types.
- Joshua, like his predecessor Moses, gave a "farewell address". (Joshua 23-24)

## JOSHUA OF

After the death of Moses at the end of the book of Deuteronomy, Joshua becomes the new leader of the nation of Israel. Moses served as the leader of Israel and his role was a spiritual one (the giving of the Law, etc.). Joshua was just as much the leader of Israel as Moses was, but his role was more that of a military commander. The Promised Land victory started at the Jordan River and took seven years to complete. **Joshua 1:2** 



## BREAKDOWNS

Joshua 1	Joshua Becomes the Leader After the Death of Moses
Joshua 2	Rahab and the Spies in Jericho
Joshua 3-5	Miracle at the Crossing of the Jordan
Joshua 6	Joshua Invades Jericho In a Very Unconventional Way
Joshua 7	Achan and the "Accursed Thing" and Judgment
Joshua 8	The Attack on Ai
Joshua 9	Deception of the Gibeonites
Joshua 10	Miracle of the Sun Standing Still
Joshua 11-12	All the Kings Defeated in the Land
Joshua 13-22	Divisions of the Conquered Land
Joshua 23-24	Farewell Address and Death of Joshua

 SPIES ENTER JERICHO (Chapters 1-5)
DEFEATING JERICHO, BATTLES WITH AI, AND DEFEATING THE GIBEONITES (Chapters 6-9)
SUN STANDS STILL AND GREAT VICTORIES (Chapters 10-12)
DISTRIBUTION OF THE LAND (Chapters 13-21)
JOSHUA'S FINAL ORDERS AND DEATH (Chapters 22-24)

## INTERESTING FACTS ABOUT THE BOOK OF DEUTERONOMY:

- Chapters: 24
- Verses: 658
- Words: 18,854
- Joshua would have been born a slave in Egypt, but became the "Conqueror of Canaan"
- Joshua became Israel's leader at the age of 85 and led Israel for 25 years
- Joshua was one of 12 men Moses sent to spy out the land. He was 50 years old at the time.

- The entire book has to do with the entering, conquering and occupying of the land of Canaan. Joshua 23:14
- Israel had to engage more than 30 armies.

**GOD AFFIRMS JOSHUA'S LEADERSHIP IN TWO WAYS: (similar to Moses)** 

**1**Crossing over the Jordan on dry ground (3:17)

**2**Standing on Holy Ground (5:15)