

grow: INTO OUR
DESTINY IN **CHRIST**

A study of Joshua



Fulfilling Our Destiny Together

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Raphael's Vatican Loggia Fresco : Joshua Talking to the People of Israel



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Implications

Are we clear about our mission?

How do we accomplish our mission?

Disciples in a disciple-making community

Established – Equipped – Evangelise

Congregation – CGs – Core tm – personal

Leaders – followers?

Uncertainty?



**Land to
conquer?**

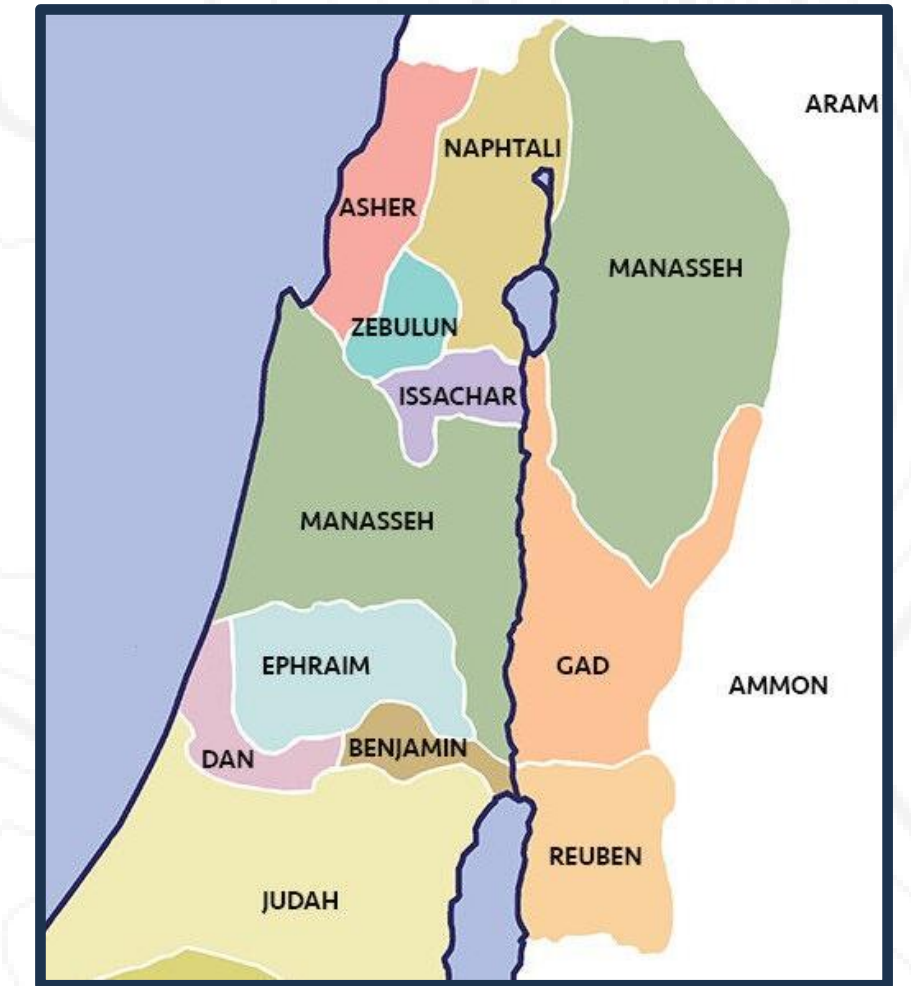


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Numbers 21.21-35; Numbers 32

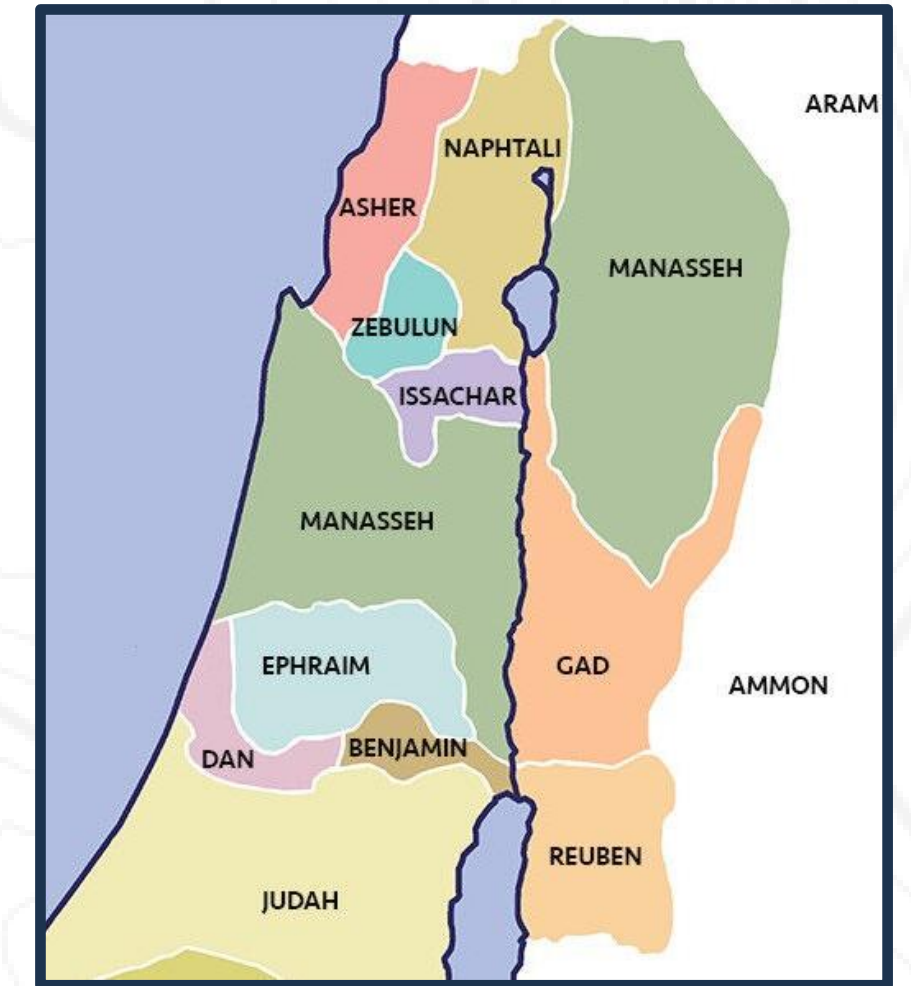


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Joshua 22.3 For a long time now—to this very day—you have not deserted your fellow Israelites but have carried out the mission the LORD your God gave you.

Solidarity comes with a huge price tag!



Implications

Do we stand in solidarity with others?

Phil 2.3-4: "Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit. Rather, in humility value others above yourselves, ⁴ not looking to your own interests but each of you to the interests of the others."

- Serving own interests or serving others?
- Deepening relationships in DG / CG?
- Starting new DGs / CGs?

Are we willing to pay the price?



3. Priority of God's Presence (1.16-18)

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Implications

Do we seek the presence of God with us?

On what basis do we lead?

On what basis do we follow?

**Ability?
Credentials?
Experience?**



Our Response

Fulfilling our destiny God's way:

1. Rely on God's Promises (1.1-5)
2. Remember God's Commands (1.6-9)

Fulfilling our destiny together:

- 1. Clarity** of God's mission (1.10-11)
- 2. Solidarity** of God's people (1.12-15)
- 3. Priority** of God's presence (1.16-18)

