



WAY TO VICTORY

A STUDY OF JOSHUA

#14: AVOIDING THE DANGERS OF PEACE

JOSHUA 19 THROUGH 22

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“But that is the time to be careful! Beware that in your plenty you do not forget the LORD your God and disobey his commands, regulations, and decrees that I am giving you today. For when you have become full and prosperous and have built fine homes to live in, and when your flocks and herds have become very large and your silver and gold have multiplied along with everything else, be careful! Do not become proud at that time and forget the LORD your God...

Deuteronomy 8:11-14a (NLT)

For every one hundred men who can stand adversity there is only one who can withstand prosperity.

Thomas Carlyle

I. WAYS TO OVERCOME PROCRASTINATION

1. Recognize the precious value of time

Some of you say, “Today or tomorrow we will go to some city. We will stay there a year, do business, and make money.” But you do not know what will happen tomorrow! Your life is like a mist. You can see it for a short time, but then it goes away. So you should say, “If the Lord wants, we will live and do this or that.”

James 4:13-14 (NCV)

2. Clarify God’s purpose for me

It’s in Christ that we find out who we are and what we are living for. Long before we first heard of Christ and got our hopes up, he had his eye on us, had designs on us for glorious living

Ephesians 1:11 (MSG)

3. Establish long term goals

The naive believes everything, But the sensible man considers his steps.
Proverbs 14:15 (NASB)

4. Make a short term “to do” list

Teach us to number our days and recognize how few they are; help us to spend them as we should.

Psalm 90:12 (TLB)

5. Prioritize my list.

Be sure you know how your flocks are doing. Pay careful attention to your herds. Riches don't last forever...

Proverbs 27:23-24a (NIRV)

6. Plan my time and my projects

Good planning and hard work lead to prosperity, but hasty shortcuts lead to poverty.
Proverbs 21:5 (NLT)

7. Break down tasks into smaller components.

If you are too lazy to plow, don't expect a harvest.
Proverbs 20:4 (CEV)

8. Enlist help with decisions and accountability

Without advice plans go wrong, but with many advisers they succeed.
Proverbs 15:22 (GWT)

9. Stop exaggerating the difficulty of tasks

The lazy person claims, "There's a lion out there! If I go outside, I might be killed!"
Proverbs 22:13 (NLT)

for I can do everything God asks me to with the help of Christ who gives me the strength and power.
Philippians 4:13 (TLB)

10. Remember that "finished" feels better than "perfect".

For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this not from yourselves, it is the gift of God— not by works, so that no one can boast.
Ephesians 2:8-9 (NIV)

II. DANGERS TO AVOID DURING TIMES OF PEACE—JOSHUA 19 - 22

1. Refusing to show mercy (20:1-14)

2. Forgetting that God keeps His Promises (21:41-45)

3. Jumping to conclusions before knowing the facts (22:10-34)

Any story sounds true until someone tells the other side and sets the record straight.
Proverbs 18:17 (TLB)

THE TRIBAL ALLOTMENTS OF ISRAEL

JOSH. 13:8-19:49

- City
- City (uncertain location)
- ▲ Mountain peak



Map 39; The Tribal Allotments of Israel, Land of (Holman Bible Atlas Maps; OneTouch, BibleSoft)