JUNE SCRIPTURE & SPOTLIGHT COURAGE / RESPONSIBILITY

Joshua 1:5-9 MSG

⁵ "It's all yours. All your life, no one will be able to hold out against you. In the same way I was with Moses, I'll be with you. I won't give up on you; I won't leave you.

⁶ Strength! Courage!... Give it everything you have, heart and soul. ⁷ Don't get off track. Keep God's Word in your heart, think about it day and night, and practice what it says.⁸ Then you'll get where you're going; then you'll succeed.

⁹ Haven't I commanded you? Strength! Courage! Don't be timid; don't get discouraged. God, your God, is with you every step you take."

AFFIRMATION:

Today's a new day! I leave yesterday in the past. I am ready for challenges and victories even after making mistakes. Together, we are better. Our teamwork makes the dream work. We collaborate. We communicate. We build each other up. We celebrate. We cooperate. We learn from our mistakes. We are growing with grit and grace. We're ready to take on today!

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LET'S TALK ABOUT IT!

In this passage, God speaks to Joshua after Moses died, telling him to be the new leader of all the people. That was a big, important and maybe scary job! God reminds Joshua to have courage and take responsibility for what he must do.

Have you ever been asked to do something important or responsible that felt scary or new? How did you feel? What did you do to be brave and responsible?

What does it mean to be responsible? Being responsible means taking care of what you are supposed to do and doing your best to make good choices. It means people can count on you to finish your work, follow rules and help others.

Can you think of a time when you had to be responsible for yourself, your schoolwork or your friends?

How do you think having courage helps you be responsible?

What does it mean to be courageous? Being courageous means being brave even when you feel scared or unsure. It means trying your best and not giving up, even when something is hard.

Can you share a time when you showed courage? How does knowing you are not alone help you do the hard or responsible things you're asked to do? How do you think God's promise to Joshua helps him have courage and be responsible?

Why do you think God gave Joshua instructions to follow? Why is it important to listen and follow instructions when we have responsibility? Why might it sometimes be hard to follow those instructions?

God says "Strength! Courage!" many times. Why do you think He keeps reminding Joshua to be brave? How do you remind yourself to be brave and keep going when something is hard or scary? Practicing what we learn helps us succeed. What are some ways you practice being responsible and courageous at school or at home? How do you think practicing helps you feel braver and ready for challenges?

Sometimes when we have a big responsibility, it's easy to get distracted or discouraged. What are some things that distract you or make you want to give up? How do you think remembering God's words or promises can help you keep going?

As the school year ends, what responsibilities do you have right now? How can you use courage to finish the year strong? What will you remember to help you be responsible next year?