

### **CROSSING OVER – PART #3**

**We have been talking about Crossing Over into the good things God has for us! We looked the last two weeks at 8 Keys to Crossing Over:**

- 1. We Must Let Go of the past – Moses is dead**
- 2. We Must Set Ambitious Goals**
- 3. We Must Step Into the River**
- 4. We Must Put On Our Armor And Prepare For War**
- 5. We Must Swallow Our Fear**
- 6. We Must Expect New Provision**
- 7. We Must Consecrate Ourselves Afresh & Anew**
- 8. We Must Have A “Holy” Visitation**

**Well today we’re going to be looking at one more scripture from Joshua, and I believe this scripture has some spiritual principles that we must understand if we are to “cross over” and possess everything God has for us in life!**

**BGFA stands at a crossroads! We like our world are at a time of transition! We’ve been looking at this and feeling this for months. We know the world is in upheaval!**

**The Bible says in Romans 8:22 *“For we know that the whole creation groans and labors with birth pangs together until now.”***

This morning I want you to know that what I feel the Spirit is saying to the church is that this time of transition is not just a localized thing. This time of transition is worldwide! This time of upheaval, or shaking is my hand moving to set things in order for the return of my Son! I am doing a new thing! I am unleashing my Spirit in a final end time outpouring that will reap in one last harvest of souls before I rapture the church and unleash my wrath on my enemies! Jesus is coming again! And I am calling my bride to make herself ready! This is not a time to shrink back, this is not a time to rest, this is not a time to sleep! This is THE time that my church has been praying for! This is THE time that my people have been longing for since the dawn of creation! This is THE time that I am coming again to restore all things! To rebuild all things! To renew all things! To make all things NEW!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

**Prepare for War! Prepare for War!! Prepare for war!!!! That is the message I hear the Spirit saying to the church!!**

When the children of Israel crossed over into their promised land God told them that they must take the land! They had to prepare for war! Remember we looked at it last week:

**In Joshua 1:14 God told the men of the tribes of Gad, Manasseh and Reuben, "...you shall cross over before your brothers in battle array."**

**FULL BATTLE ARMOR!!** Let's put on our armor....say this with me:

***Put on the helmet of salvation...the breastplate of righteousness...the belt of truth...the shoes of the gospel...and take up the shield of faith....and the Sword of the Spirit***

I encourage you everyday to get up in the morning, and first thing you do....put on your armor and tell the devil that he's in for it today!!!

Now there's one last key that I want to bring out to you today!!

It's a principle that is repeated over and over through the Scriptures! It's a principle for battle, but it's not a military idea. In fact, it's not very warrior like on the surface at all!

The principle many times seems CRAZY! This principle many seems out of touch with reality!

Before I give you the KEY! I want to tell you that this key is rooted in the scripture, ***"That the battle is not ours, but the Lord's"***

***The principle is that we have got to learn to "SHOUT!!!" In the Hebrew "shout" is the term "Ruah!"***

***Ruah – shout, a war cry, shout of praise, alarm,***

***We need to get the "SHOUT OF THE WARRIOR!!!"***

***Now I want you to understand something:***

***"Spiritual Victory does not become a part of your life unless you accept the spiritual disciplines of the spiritual warrior!!!"***

***We must overcome personal obstacles to spiritual victory!***

***Two things must happen to have spiritual victory:***

1. **Realization – We must realize spiritual warfare is real**  
**2 Kings 13:14 – “Strike the arrows...”**

***There is a closer link between the physical and the spiritual than we really know!***

***Man’s self consciousness will thwart spiritual victory!!***

***Men, I’m talking to us today! We must stand and seek God as the priests of our home!***  
***\*\*\*Josiah getting baptized in the Holy Spirit...speaking in tongues.***

***I want every spiritual gift that Jesus died to give me!***

***Jentezen Franklin – story when he was 6 years old in the bathtub!***

2. **Resources –**

- a. **The name of Jesus – FORTRESS “The name of the Lord is a strong tower, the righteous run to it and are safe.”**
- b. **The Word Of God – FORCE “It is written” Matthew 4**
- c. **The Blood Of Jesus – FOUNTAIN**
  - **Cleanses us from sin**
  - **Agent of terror in the invisible realm**
  - **Life flows through the blood**
  - **Healing, deliverance**
- d. **The Holy Spirit - FLOW**

***We must be alive in the Spirit to confront the enemy!***

***Revival is not an event, but a commitment to live daily in the Spirit!***

***God is calling his church to wake up! To arise from her sleep! To live again! We must be able to SHOUT for the victory, but what God is saying to us is that the “spiritually dead” can’t shout!!***

***I don’t mean “spiritually dead” in the sense that you are not saved.***

***Now, you may not be saved. And if you aren't you need to get saved. You need to ask Jesus Christ into your heart, by repenting of your sins! When you do that He will come into your life, and forgive you and make you a new person!***

***But, you might also be saved, but you are not "Living in the Spirit." You are what the Bible calls a carnal Christian. You are more concerned with physical things than spiritual things.***

***God is calling his church to wake up, and begin to press forward into spiritual things!***

### ***Turn to Ezekiel 37***

The hand of the LORD came upon me and brought me out in the Spirit of the LORD, and set me down in the midst of the valley; and it *was* full of bones. <sup>2</sup> Then He caused me to pass by them all around, and behold, *there were* very many in the open valley; and indeed *they were* very dry.

<sup>3</sup> And He said to me, "Son of man, can these bones live?"

So I answered, "O Lord GOD, You know."

<sup>4</sup> Again He said to me, "Prophesy to these bones, and say to them, 'O dry bones, hear the word of the LORD! <sup>5</sup> Thus says the Lord GOD to these bones: "Surely I will cause breath to enter into you, and you shall live. <sup>6</sup> I will put sinews on you and bring flesh upon you, cover you with skin and put breath in you; and you shall live. Then you shall know that I *am* the LORD.'""

<sup>7</sup> So I prophesied as I was commanded; and as I prophesied, there was a noise, and suddenly a rattling; and the bones came together, bone to bone. <sup>8</sup> Indeed, as I looked, the sinews and the flesh came upon them, and the skin covered them over; but *there was* no breath in them.

<sup>9</sup> Also He said to me, "Prophesy to the breath, prophesy, son of man, and say to the breath, 'Thus says the Lord GOD: "Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe on these slain, that they may live.'"" <sup>10</sup> So I prophesied as He commanded me, and breath came into them, and they lived, and stood upon their feet, an exceedingly great army.

Prophesy – Speak forth **2 Cor. 4:13** <sup>13</sup>***It is written: "I believed; therefore I have spoken."*** <sup>[a]</sup>***With that same spirit of faith we also believe and therefore speak***

We must speak forth life into those things that are dead! It's our duty! God is calling us to speak LIFE! To things in our church that are dead, things in our life that are dead, things like our marriage, children, finances, dreams, visions, LIFE>>>LIFE>>>LIFE!!!!

We prophesy LIVE AGAIN!!! Notice they weren't alive until the breath of God moved on them. The bones were rattling, the flesh was coming on them, but they weren't alive until GOD'S SPIRIT – RUACH on them!!!! God breathed!!

SHOFAR – Rotten stinking corpse....but when the breath begins to blow!! It makes a sound! It's lifts up it's voice! It cries aloud! It begins to shout!

We need the breath of God to blow into us...into our rotten corpses....so WE CAN SHOUT!!

TIEING IT ALL TOGETHER!! Ruach – breath of God! Ruah – breath of shouting!

When God's Spirit begins to blow over us we will lift up a SHOUT that produces spiritual breakthroughs in our lives, in our churches lives, in the lives of our families, finances whatever.....

The walls of our Jericho's will fall down flat!! We will go in and possess the gates of our enemies! We will have victory!!!!