



Midweek Study Notes

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Giants of Faith - Joshua

This Sunday we focussed on Joshua, another giant of faith whose story is told in the Old Testament book of the same name. Joshua, son of Nun, was mentored by Moses for around 40 years, and Angela described him as *a man who listened to God, informed people, kept a promise, obeyed God, led people and administered justly and fairly.*



Angela took us through three powerful experiences in Joshua's journey, the first of which was **The Power of Warfare and Intercession**. We all face spiritual battles in our life, and intercessory prayer - standing in the gap for other people and situations - is a powerful weapon in our spiritual arsenal. *Who or what has God put on your heart to pray for recently? Remember that person or situation as you pray together today.*

The second powerful experience in Joshua's journey was **The Power of Worship**, and Angela shared that she used to struggle to pray out loud. *Do you feel confident praying out loud in front of others? If not, what is it that stops you? Can you identify with the fear Angela used to have of what other people think of you? Like Angela did, do you ever feel a nudge from God to step out in faith in this area?*

The third powerful experience in Joshua's journey was **The Power of Seeing with Faith-Eyes**, with Angela making the comparison between the fear-filled spies and faith-filled spies. *How is your faith when you approach a challenging situation? Do you tend to deal with difficulties in fear, faith, or a mixture of both?*

Angela also spoke about the importance of communing with God both individually and also with other believers. *Do you find it easy to do both, or are you more comfortable with one over the other? Why do you think this is?*

Bradley shared what communion has meant to him over the years. *Can you share something of what communion means to you? Does it help you to feel closer to God, or does it sometimes feel like you are just going through the motions?*