Joshua 14-15:19 • Caleb the Overcomer

***Stage One: Caleb the Sufferer***

* Caleb was redeemed by the **blood** of the Passover Lamb (a shadow of the **cross**), delivered from **Egypt** (a picture of the old **life**), and given an inheritance in the **Promised Land** (representing the **promise** to every believer).

***Stage Two: Caleb the Defender***

* Caleb had to make a stand of **faith** against the majority within God’s **people**—those claiming to **believe** in Him,

***Stage Three: Caleb the Wanderer***

* Although his **body** was in the wilderness, Caleb’s **heart**, **mind** and **soul** were in the Promised Land.

***The Source of Caleb’s Faith:***

* Regardless of the circumstances, Caleb did not have to fear **death**.
* Caleb’s attention was forward-focused on the promised **inheritance** to come.
* Caleb trusted that God would not **fail** him.

***Stage Four: Caleb the Conqueror***

* It is only on the basis of **God’s Word** that we can claim our blessings.
* The person of true “strength” is actually the person with biblical **faith**.
* Unbelief looks at the **giants**; faith looks to **God**.

***Overall***

* We are to overcome the **world**. (1 Jn. 5:5)
* We are to overcome **false doctrines**. (1 Jn. 4:1-4)
* We are to overcome the **wicked one**. (1 Jn. 2:13-14)
* Christ has already overcome **Satan** (Lk. 11:21-22) and the **world**. (Jn. 16:33)
* The final message of the NT is to be an **overcomer**. (Rev. 21:7)