



# **COURAGE TO ADVANCE**

**A STUDY OF THE  
ISREALITES' JOURNEY  
TO THE PROMISE LAND**



An aerial photograph of a winding river, likely the Nile, flowing through a vast, arid, brown landscape. The river is dark and meanders from the top left towards the bottom right. A series of white dotted lines forms a path that follows the general direction of the river, starting from the left edge and curving towards the bottom. The background has a mottled, textured appearance, resembling old parchment or a satellite map.

# **COURAGE TO START**

**DEUTERONOMY 1  
DR. FAVOUR IBOM**



# INTRODUCTION

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# OUR VISION:

To raise up anointed disciple-makers who are empowered to change their world for Christ.





# 2021 IS OUR YEAR OF KINGDOM ADVANCEMENT



# Luke 12:32 (NIV)

<sup>32</sup>“Do not be afraid, little flock, for your Father has been pleased to give you the kingdom.



# Deuteronomy 1:7 (NIV)

7 Break camp and advance into the hill country of the Amorites; go to all the neighboring peoples in the Arabah, in the mountains, in the western foothills, in the Negev and along the coast, to the land of the Canaanites and to Lebanon, as far as the great river, the Euphrates.





**YOUR PRAYERFUL**

**INITIATIVE WILL GIVE YOU THE  
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# Quote

God cannot do for you what He has already empowered you to do.  
Your initiative will open the right doors.

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# Deuteronomy 1:8 (NIV)

8 See, I have given you this land. Go in and take possession of the land the Lord swore he would give to your fathers—to Abraham, Isaac and Jacob—and to their descendants after them.”



An aerial photograph of a river winding through a dry, brown landscape. A dotted line path is drawn across the landscape, starting from the left and ending near the bottom right. The path is composed of small, light-colored squares.

# Quote

Do not allow things to happen to you. Take initiative and happen to things.

**Darlington Brown**



# Joshua 18:3 (NIV)

3 So Joshua said to the Israelites: “How long will you wait before you begin to take possession of the land that the Lord, the God of your ancestors, has given you?”



An aerial photograph of a desert landscape with a winding river. A dashed line path is drawn across the terrain, starting from the left and curving towards the bottom right. The text 'Quote' is overlaid in the top left corner.

# Quote

If opportunity doesn't knock, build a door.

**Milton Berle**





**YOUR CLEAR**  
**VISION WILL GIVE YOU THE**  
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An aerial photograph of a river winding through a dry, brownish landscape. A dashed line, composed of small squares, traces a path that starts on the left, follows the river's course, and then branches off into a series of loops and curves across the terrain.

# Quote

You cannot obtain what you cannot envision. If you can see it, then you can have it.

**Favour Ibom**



# Deuteronomy 1:8 (NIV)

8 See, I have given you this land. Go in and take possession of the land the Lord swore he would give to your fathers—to Abraham, Isaac and Jacob—and to their descendants after them.”



# Deuteronomy 1:21 (NIV)

21 See, the Lord your God has given you the land. Go up and take possession of it as the Lord, the God of your ancestors, told you. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged.”



# Jeremiah 1:11–12 (ESV)

11 And the word of the Lord came to me, saying, “Jeremiah, what do you see?” And I said, “I see an almond branch.” 12 Then the Lord said to me, “You have seen well, for I am watching over my word to perform it.”



An aerial photograph of a river winding through a dry, brown landscape. A dashed line, composed of small squares, follows a path that branches off from the river and meanders across the land, suggesting a hidden or invisible route. The text 'Quote' is overlaid in the top left corner.

# Quote

Vision is the art of seeing what is invisible to others.

**Jonathan Swift**



# Jeremiah 1:11–12 (KJV 1900)

11 Moreover the word of the Lord came unto me, saying, Jeremiah, what seest thou? And I said, I see a rod of an almond tree. 12 Then said the Lord unto me, **Thou hast well seen: for I will hasten my word to perform it.**



# Quote

Vision without action is merely a dream. Action without vision just passes the time. Vision with action can change the world.

**Joel A. Barker**





# YOUR UNDERSTANDING

**OF GOD'S GOODNESS  
WILL GIVE YOU THE  
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# Deuteronomy 1:25 (NIV)

25 Taking with them some of the fruit of the land, they brought it down to us and reported, “It is a good land that the Lord our God is giving us.”



# Deuteronomy 1:27 (NIV)

27 You grumbled in your tents and said, “The Lord hates us; so he brought us out of Egypt to deliver us into the hands of the Amorites to destroy us



# Psalm 34:8 (ESV)

8 Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good! Blessed is the man who takes refuge in him!



# Psalm 23:6 (ESV)

6 Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,  
and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord forever.





# YOUR REMEMBRANCE

OF PREVIOUS VICTORIES  
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# Deuteronomy 1:30 (NIV)

30 The Lord your God, who is going before you, will fight for you, as he did for you in Egypt, before your very eyes,



# Deuteronomy 1:31 (NIV)

31 and in the wilderness. There you saw how the Lord your God carried you, as a father carries his son, all the way you went until you reached this place.”



# Song Refrain:

Count your blessings, name them one by one,  
Count your blessings, see what God hath done!  
Count your blessings, name them one by one,  
And it will surprise you what the Lord hath done



# CONCLUSION

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# Quote

When everything seems to be going against you, remember that the airplane takes off against the wind, not with it.

**Henry Ford**



# Deuteronomy 1:6-7 (NIV)

6 The Lord our God said to us at Horeb, “**You have stayed long enough at this mountain. 7 Break camp and advance into the hill country of the Amorites;** go to all the neighboring peoples in the Arabah, in the mountains, in the western foothills, in the Negev and along the coast, to the land of the Canaanites and to Lebanon, as far as the great river, the Euphrates.



An aerial photograph of a winding river, likely the Nile, flowing through a vast, arid, brownish-gold landscape. The river is dark and meanders from the top left towards the bottom right. A dotted white line, resembling a path or a boundary, starts from the left edge and follows a similar but more erratic course than the river. The background has a textured, marbled appearance.

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