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# Discussion Log

<u>Directions</u>: Read your group's question prompt and make a prediction about the answer. Write your response in the space provided.

### Breakout Group #1

Moshe is called "Hashem's servant." But isn't that an insult to Moshe? Moshe was a great man! How could this actually be a compliment?

## Breakout Group #2

Hashem tells Yehoshua to "be strong and courageous" three different times in this chapter. These refer to three different situations. What are these three situations, and why does each one require us to "be strong and courageous"?

## Breakout Group #3

Yehoshua is chosen as the next leader of the Jewish people. Why? There's a clue. We are told that "Yehoshua never left Moshe's tent" – not literally, of course. But there's a message here. What kind of person never "leaves" – and what does that tell you about the kind of a person Yehoshua was?

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<u>Directions</u>: Read your group's question prompt and make a prediction about the answer. Write your response in the space provided.

# Breakout Group #1 Do you think Yehoshua's approach to sending the spies worked better than Moshe's? Why or why not? Breakout Group #2 Breakout Group #3 If you were in Rachav's place, would you have followed her example and helped the spies? From the spies worked better than Moshe's? Why or why not? Breakout Group #3 Rachav asked the spies to save her family in exchange for the kindness she performed. Does that take away from her act of kindness?

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<u>Directions</u>: Read your group's question prompt and make a prediction about the answer. Write your response in the space provided.

# Reakout Group #1 Yehoshua wakes up early to prepare the nation to cross the Yarden. Think of a time that preparing for a big moment helped you. Breakout Group #2 Why did Yehoshua want the people to set up a monument to remember the crossing of the Yarden? Can you think of a famous historical monument? What does it remind you of? Breakout Group #3 When the nation crossed the Yarden, the people holding the Torah went first. Why?

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<u>Directions</u>: Read your group's question prompt and make a prediction about the answer. Write your response in the space provided.

# Breakout Group #1 Why did Yehoshua want each of the 12 tribes to participate in building the monument by the Yarden? Breakout Group #2 If you were in charge of designing the monument, what would it look like? Would it have a particular design? Explain why you'd build it that way. Breakout Group #3 The Jews were eventually going to settle far away from the Yarden. They wouldn't be able to see the monument from their new homes. So what's the point of building a monument that people aren't going to see?

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Directions: Read your group's question prompt and make a prediction about the answer. Write your response in the space provided.

# ## Breakout Group #1 What was the point of making sure every male in the nation had a brit milah before entering the Land of Israel? The איז (manna) officially came to an end. From now on, the Jews would have to grow and survive on their own food. Why didn't Hashem continue to provide it for them after they entered the land? ### Breakout Group #3 The Navi tells us that other nations were afraid of the Jews even before they attacked — their "hearts on their own food. Why didn't Hashem continue to provide it for them after they entered the land? ### Breakout Group #3 The Navi tells us that other nations were afraid of the Jews even before they attacked — their "hearts on their own food. Why didn't Hashem continue to provide it for them after they entered the land? ### Breakout Group #3 The Navi tells us that other nations were afraid of the Jews even before they attacked — their "hearts on their own food. Why didn't Hashem continue to provide it for them after they entered the land? ### Breakout Group #3 The Navi tells us that other nations were afraid of the Jews even before they attacked — their "hearts on their own food. Why didn't Hashem continue to provide it for them after they entered the land? ### Breakout Group #3 The Navi tells us that other nations were afraid of the Jews even before they attacked — their "hearts on their own food. Why didn't Hashem continue to provide it for them after they entered the land?

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Directions: Read your group's question prompt and make a prediction about the answer. Write your response in the space provided.

# Breakout Group #1 Why weren't the Jews allowed to take the spoils from Yericho? If they won the battle, didn't they earn that right? Breakout Group #2 Why did the Jews need a miracle to conquer Yericho? Couldn't they just rely on their own military strength? Why were the Jews allowed to fight a war and blow the shofar on Shabbat? What was unique about the battle with Yericho?

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Breakout Group #1	Breakout Group #2	<u>Breakout Group #3</u>
What can we learn from the episode of Achan?	Why was the entire nation punished just because one person (Achan) made a mistake?	Yehoshua "fell on his face" out of sadness and frustration. This is an expression to show how disappointed he was in the Jewish people. Think about a time when you experienced some bad news. How did you handle it? How might you have handled it differently?

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# Breakout Group #1 What can we learn about the importance of keeping our promises from the way Yehoshua treated the Givonim? Breakout Group #2 Breakout Group #3 In your opinion, should Yehoshua have consulted the urim v'tumim before making a decision about the Givonim? Why do you think Yehoshua gave the Givonim service jobs like carrying water and chopping wood? Why do you think Yehoshua gave the Givonim service jobs like carrying water and chopping wood?

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### Breakout Group #1

Yehoshua didn't want the Jews to fight on Shabbat against the five kings who attacked the Givonim. But weren't the Jews allowed to fight against Yericho on Shabbat? Why is this situation different?

## Breakout Group #2

Yehoshua made the sun and moon "stand still" but didn't ask Hashem to perform that miracle – he did it on his own. Are you surprised he did this without asking Hashem for permission?

## Breakout Group #3

The Givonim played a trick on the Jews and acted dishonestly. Still, Yehoshua came to their aid – even putting Jewish lives in danger to fight a war to save the Givonim. Do you think he did the right thing? Why or why not?

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### Breakout Group #1

Yehoshua is praised for doing what Hashem commanded him to do. But why? Shouldn't we expect him to do that? Why do you think he received praise?

## Breakout Group #2

Why does the talk about the battles with Sichon and Og that Moshe waged in the past – they don't seem to relate at all to anything that's happening now in Yehoshua's time...or do they?

## Breakout Group #3

The Navi tells us that Hashem will "harden the hearts" of the Jews before they fight the nations living in the northern region of Israel. What do you think this phrase means? How would it help the Jews in battle?

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# Breakout Group #1 Breakout Group #2 Breakout Group #3 Yehoshua is told to divide the land even before the Some of the tribes had already received their Why did the nation rely on a "miraculous" system Jews have finished conquering all of it. How could portion of land in Israel but stayed with the rest of to divide the land (the lottery and urim v'tumim)? he give away land that hadn't yet been Couldn't Yehoshua just naturally assign each tribe the nation as they finished their conquest of the conquered?! land. What lessons can we learn from their to different areas? actions?

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### Breakout Group #1

Do you find anything wrong about the way the tribe of Menashe asked for more land? Come up with an another way they might have made their request.

## Breakout Group #2

Why did the Jews keep some of the "old" features of the Mishkan when they moved it to Shiloh? Why didn't they design something completely new?

## Breakout Group #3

Pretend you're Yehoshua. Is it fair for you ask the tribes of Reuven, Gad and (½) of Menashe to stick around with the nation until after the land is conquered? Or should you just let them move to their new location on the eastern side of the Yarden, as they agreed?

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Why do you think we require someone who kills accidentally to leave home and head towards a city of refuge?	By law, someone in a city of refuge must stay there until the Kohen Gadol dies. Why it that?	The levi'im were given land across many cities in Israel. But why scatter them around – why not just settle them all together in one place?