

STRONG & COURAGEOUS
“TAKING OVER” Series –
Experiencing All That God Has For Us
Message #4 of 5

“CONFIDENCE”

***Experiencing all that God has for us requires admitting our sin,
accepting God’s solution, & adoring our God.***

Joshua 7:7-13 / August 25, 2019

1. DISCOURAGEMENT – *We can easily get discouraged ...*

“The hearts of the people melted and became like water.” - v.5b

“Why are you downcast, O my soul? Why so disturbed within me? Put your hope in God, for I will yet praise him, my Savior and my God.” - Psalm 42:5

2. DUST – *We can feel like dust, because we are dust, but God knows that ...*

“Joshua tore his clothes and fell facedown to the ground ... and sprinkled dust on (his) head.” - v.6

“As a father has compassion on his children, so the LORD has compassion on those who fear him; for he knows how we are formed, he remembers that we are dust.” - Psalm 103:13-14

3. DESTRUCTION – *We start to question God’s motive ...*

“Why did you ever bring this people across the Jordan to deliver us ... to destroy us?” - v.7

“O Lord, how many are my foes! How many rise up against me! Many are saying of me, ‘God will not deliver him.’” - Psalm 3:1-2

- I will never, ever, leave you or forsake you.

4. DESPERATION – *We can worry about our future ...*

“They will surround us and wipe out our name from the earth.” - 9b

“The righteous are remembered forever.” Psalm 112:6

5. DOUBT – *We question God’s ability ...*

“What then will you do for your own great name?” - v.9c

“Let us then approach the throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need.” - Hebrews 4:16

6. DELIVERANCE – *But in the end we discover that ...*

“Do not be afraid, do not be discouraged. Go up and attack. For I have delivered into your hands the king, his people, his city, and his land.” - 8:1

A. ADMITTING OUR SIN —

Joshua asks; *“Tell me what you have done, do not hide it from me.”* - 7:19

Achan replies; *“I have sinned against the Lord ... I coveted the devoted things, I took them, and I hid them.”* — 7:20-21

B. ACCEPTING GOD’S SOLUTION —

“Destroy whatever among you is devoted to destruction.” — 7:12

C. ADORING OUR SAVIOR —

“Give glory to the Lord and give him the praise.” — 7:19