

# THE WAVES OF REVIVAL SERIES

## THE JOSHUA WAVE OF WARRIORS

### The Life of a Servant

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*Joshua 1: 1,2 After the death of Moses the servant of the Lord, it came to pass that the Lord spoke to Joshua the son of Nun, Moses' assistant, saying, "Moses, my servant is dead. Now therefore, arise, go over this Jordan, you and all this people, to the land which I am giving to them, the children of Israel.*

It is noted here in verse 1 that Joshua is called Moses' assistant. One of the first characteristics of those called into the Joshua wave is that it is a group of people who have been called out into a ministry of a servant. It is a servanthood ministry.

It is unlike the Moses wave that is a pioneer in many areas. The Joshua wave inherits a lot of things from the Moses wave and builds it up into a new work. They also go through a period of preparation. A period where they ar

e moulded where all there rough edges in their life are cut away, most of the time through learning to live as a servant.

That is why the generation of ministers God is raising today is different from the previous generation. The ministers from the previous generation (though not all of them - many of them lead humble Christ-like lives) but many of them tend to be like Hollywood stars. Wherever they go they would have bodyguards and during a

public meeting it is very hard to approach them to get through to them. They come in through the door when it is time to minister only to perform their ministry and do not stay back to fellowship with the congregation or to worship with them when it is finished. They leave immediately after ministering. That kind of behaviour belongs to the Moses wave.

The Joshua wave of ministers God is raising up are those who want to mix with the people, be among them and to worship with them. They don't come to the meetings just for their ministry and leave after the meeting ends although there are some of the Joshua wave ministers who behave like that and copy the kind of lifestyle adopted by the Moses wave. These lifestyles have got nothing to do with the Word. It is only a lifestyle. Sadly these lifestyles can prevent them from moving into the peak of the Joshua wave God is bringing forth.

God is doing something new in the hearts of the generation of the five-fold ministers whom He is raising. He is putting them into a service-oriented ministry even before they are launched forth. Joshua learned to serve Moses for many years. He is called Moses' assistant. The Hebrew word for *assistant* here means *servant*.

Jesus said that he who desires to be greatest among you must be a servant of all. Certainly the last generation of ministers that will see the return of Jesus Christ and bring forth the last wave of revival in the last days and see the greatness of God will be among those with the most servant-like of ministers than compared to the previous generation. Joshua served Moses during the latter's entire life.

Look at Exodus 24: 1,2,9-13. We see here in verse 13, Joshua going above Moses' other assistants in serving him. When Moses and Joshua reached a certain point, Moses told Joshua to wait for him while Moses continued up the mountain to meet God. So Joshua sat down waiting for Moses, the people were down at the mountain while Moses was up and he (Joshua) was in between them. Moses was having a good time with God as God appeared to him for 40 days and nights, giving him the Ten Commandments and speaking to him about many things, experiencing the glory of God that even his countenance shone. Meanwhile at the foot of the

mountain the Israelites began to have a good time themselves in worshipping the golden calf. Ex 32:1. Joshua stood waiting in between in the wilderness in a position of serving.

The Joshua generation will be a generation that learns to serve. God puts them through a period of service and in this period they do not have the spiritual experiences yet. They would probably be serving in obedience under another ministry like Joshua under Moses and Joshua would be promoting Moses instead of himself during his service. During this time Moses was the one who talked to God, who had all the visions, and who heard the voice of God, while Joshua had nothing. He only heard Moses' voice, saw Moses getting all the visions; neither did Joshua get to enjoy the celebration of the Israelite people worshipping the golden calf and the things of the flesh. It would have been easy to give up things in the flesh if you have a spiritual replacement, but Joshua neither had fleshly or spiritual delights.

It would have been easy for people to give up television when they have God's vision. Just pray in tongues and they might see the spirit world. It would be easy to give up something if you have something to replace it with. It is harder to give it up if you have nothing to replace it. That was what Joshua had to face. He did not arrive at the point where he could receive spiritual experiences from God. Yet at the same time he was at the point where he had to give up a lot of his earthly inclinations and pleasures in order to serve Moses. Moses was not an easy person to serve. Joshua was in a halfway point and he had to serve in a position where his heart was tugged in two different directions. The servant heart characteristic is what God wants to give to the Joshua wave minus the pleasure but no benefits yet. It is an in between.

The second characteristic of the life of a servant besides giving up the pleasures of this world before you receive the things of the spirit realm is where you are put to do the most humbling, menial tasks. Like Elisha pouring water on the hands of Elijah as in 2 Kings 3: 11. Like cleaning the toilets and doing things where no one else may want to do. And a lot of those who God is raising up in the Joshua generation are being put to that. But there are many who resist and say, "I don't want that kind of work. I am called to be a world evangelist." No doubt you may be called as an evangelist to 130 countries, but before you can experience that kind of

anointing, God may want you to wash 130 toilets.

There is something within us that dislike doing such jobs. If we come from a background that is used to menial tasks we may do it. If we come from a background where we have a silver spoon in our mouths, we may not want to do menial tasks that easily. However the bad news is that the Joshua wave people will have to go through that. The good news is that all the Joshua wave will receive their rewards if they go through it.

In the last days the Joshua wave is going to have good rapport with the grass roots. They will not be like the Moses wave that stands on a pedestal. It has got something to do with God wanting to exalt them and before He can do that, He has to humble them. God often chooses natural ways to bring us into humility by allowing us to do the most menial, humble tasks to see whether we are going to do it or not. And you are not going to receive praise from men, or get noticed. The only time you are going to get noticed is when you are not doing your job! Some of us do not want to do the natural tasks. We only want to do spiritual tasks. Elisha had to go through a period of service under Elijah. He probably came from a middle-class family having an oxen and a field which not many people had in those days. When Elijah threw a mantle on Elisha in 1 Kings 19, the first task Elisha probably had to do was washing Elijah's clothes, cooking his food, and perhaps even catching locusts as food for him. There were a lot of natural tasks that had to be done by Elisha.

The Joshua wave need to realise they will be placed in menial tasks in order that their character can be formed, moulded and broken until they die to self. Then God will raise them up to exalt them.

It takes time to get used to being ordered around. Every time Elijah needed something done he would call out to Elisha and Elisha had to respond. When Elijah finished eating and needed to wash his hands, he would call out to Elisha and Elisha had to pour water on his hands. Can you imagine doing that for ten years without coming to the place where you get the anointing to see visions and

revelations? It does something to your inside. It moulds you until you are dead to self and something forms inside you where you have a servant heart attitude like Jesus. This is the reason for the greatness of Jesus - He came to serve and not to be served. Jesus was willing to serve.

### **Fresh New Vision**

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Joshua 5: 13-15. The second characteristic is that the Joshua wave will have a fresh new vision. The vision will be similar but different from the Moses wave.

Both Moses and Joshua stood on holy ground. Both of them possibly saw different angels or the same angel in different manifestations. The Joshua wave must experience the same holy ground, the same depth of vision as the Moses wave and the same commission, but it will also be different. Moses' angel was in a bush. Joshua's angel was with a sword. Moses' angel was where Moses had to draw to him. Joshua saw the angel when he looked up.

Many who want to move into the Joshua wave often fail to experience the spiritual depth the previous generation had. We read the story over and over again in the Bible that when the generation that knew the Lord in Joshua's time died, the next generation did not and went astray. It is the story of the Book of Judges again. Sometimes a move of God comes, the next generation that takes over has the talent but do not have the spiritual experience and they could not last the pace and momentum. As a result, they lose some level of the anointing, which the previous generation had.

Let me be more precise. If you want to move in William Branham's anointing you would have to have the same angelic encounter he had. You may not see the same angel in the same manner as he had but you must have an angelic encounter in order to operate in the same anointing he had.

If you want to move into the same kind of ministry Kenneth E. Hagin does, you must have visions of Jesus. Hagin had eight visions of Jesus that changed his ministry. He took fifteen years to see his first vision. You may take a different number of years. There will be differences but there has to be a similarity of the same kind of experiences.

If you want to move into an evangelistic office like TL Osborn, you would have to have the same vision and call that he had when he heard the voice call him, "You can do the same thing" and he launched forth. If you want to move into any of the anointing and mantles that the Moses wave had, you must have a similar type of spiritual experience. The sad thing is that principles and precepts can be taught but experiences have to be bought. Why bought? You have to pay a price for those experiences.

It is easy to get taught and get association with that level of anointing. But to move into the same Moses wave mantle you must have that similar experience. That is why there are very few people who move into Apostle Paul's kind of ministry because Paul had a supernatural encounter with the Lord Jesus. You may have all of Paul's epistles memorised and understand all he wrote, but unless you have that vision experience that Paul had, you will not be able to carry the same mantle that Paul had.

When you have that level of anointing in an office, God will make it possible for you to move into the same area, just as Joshua moved into the office of Moses. Although in your preparation years you may not have them, but when it comes time to move into them you will have the same kind of vision and anointing. I know it is a difficult thing to understand and to grasp. But it is just like this. For example, if the day comes for me to pass the mantle to somebody else, they can listen to all my tapes and understand everything in them that I have taught in my entire life, but unless they have seen the same Jesus I saw they would not be able to move into my anointing. There is something about meeting the Lord Jesus that changes you. Spiritual experiences cannot be imparted. Only teaching precepts and principles can be imparted. Spiritual experiences have to be bought with a price. And there is only one giver, Almighty God. And you buy it from Him. Jesus told

the Laodicean Church to come and buy from Him eye salve to remove the scales from their eyes.

The Joshua wave is a complementary move that builds upon the Moses wave. There are many who try to claim the mantles of previous men of God but are unable to, because they never experience that same level or quality of spiritual experience that the Moses wave had.

Benny Hinn who moved into Kathryn Khulman's anointing had the same experience with the Holy Spirit that Kathryn had. Kathryn Khulman met the Holy Spirit as she was walking along a dead end street and said she knew it was Him. Benny Hinn experienced Him in his room. Spiritual experiences must be equal in quality for the Joshua generation to move into them.

The task and commission may be different but the spiritual experiences must be equal in depth and quality and on the same Holy ground. Joshua stood on holy ground just as Moses had although the place was geographically different for Joshua and in different chronological times. You must enter the same holy ground that the Moses generation entered. Oh, Joshua generation, it is so vital!

### **Different Methods**

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The third characteristic of the Joshua wave is that the presence of the Lord will be equal in quality as the Moses generation but it will have a different method. Look at Joshua 6: 1-4 and Joshua 3: 5-7, 13.

The Joshua wave will move into a new methodology. Moses parted the Red Sea with a rod. The rod was the symbol of the power that God would demonstrate the signs and wonders in the Moses wave.

The Joshua wave's new methodology will also be equal in power. It is also able to part the waters. But it is more than the rod, but it is now the Ark. What are the differences? God used the rod Moses had after it was endued with power to convict his generation. God will definitely give signs to the Joshua wave to convict the contemporaries of those who move in the Joshua wave.

The Ark was special. The Ark was not in the same perspective as the rod. The pattern of the Ark came from God. God told Moses to build the Ark. Ex 25: 10-22. But the Ark became the methodology of Joshua for his generation. He used it to part the waters of Jordan and bring down the walls of Jericho. The Joshua wave is going to launch forth the Ark in the Feast of the Trumpets. We have just moved into the Feast of Trumpets in the Church's chronological time. It is a powerful time.

Look at Ex 25: 10. The Ark was surrounded by gold while the rod remained a piece of wood. There was still wood in the Ark just as there was wood in the rod. Now the sign and method Joshua used was wood overlaid with gold. The fresh new anointing that is coming to the Joshua wave will be through the divine nature in them because gold symbolises divinity. It won't be just a method God ordained for them.

For example, Oral Roberts always had to use his hands. It was important for him to keep to this method if that was the method God called him to use. It was also the same method used by some others in his generation. In Branham's ministry he always had to use his left hand to hold the hand of another person to discern sicknesses and diseases. There were some limitations in the methodology that they used.

The Joshua wave will be able to use the same methods but will move beyond that. They will know the same things and perform the same quality of signs but they will be operating from the divine nature in them. They will be able to speak like God, think like God and walk like God. It is in that aspect that Joshua looked up to the sun while he was fighting and said, "Sun, stand. Be still where you are.

Moon, stay where you are!" The only being who normally does that is Almighty God. But now Joshua began to act like God. Joshua moved into the divine nature. It is a very powerful realm.

Ex 2: 17 says *"You shall make a mercy seat of pure gold."* The Joshua wave will move into the depth and height of their demonstration of signs and wonders of being seated with Christ in the mercy seat. Number one through the divine nature in them. Two, through their position in Christ in the mercy seat and three, angelic visitation that will even be more than the Moses generation (vs 18). Cherubims represent the highest angelic beings possible and they will be able to see them manifested.

So there will be a new anointing that will be different. In the Old Testament it was wood that was anointed. In the new Covenant, it is our nature that is anointed. Not just our flesh but our very nature is anointed so that it functions like God. We have the mind of Christ.

### **Entering into the Promised Land**

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The fourth characteristic is that the Moses wave will only be able to see and prophesy some of the things the Joshua wave will enter into, but will not be able to enter into them. The Joshua wave will be able to step into them. Smith Wigglesworth, when commended for the marvellous things God was doing through him, said, "Young man, there are things out there in the spirit that your generation will do, but I will be gone with the Lord!" He could only see what the Joshua wave will do even though his ministry was so powerful.

Kathryn Khulman never saw in her time where all the sick in her meetings were healed. But she said she saw it in the spirit it was possible one day. The Joshua wave will move into that. Marvin Ford was taken into heaven during one of his visions, and he saw someone without an arm growing a new arm supernaturally while listening to a young preacher talking about the Lord in a meeting. Those who

were crippled and paralysed and who saw the new arm growing just got up healed and started running!

Some of the things the Moses saw could only see them in their visions and they never had the chance to taste it. The Joshua wave will spring off from that platform. It is a powerful new realm they are going to move into. Besides they are going to move in new places. A lot of those in the Pentecostal Revival in the early stage only touched the lower rungs of society. They never touched the high places. Only a few hopefuls did touched that upper strata of society. But the Joshua wave is going to touch every strata of society. They are going to touch a new generation that was formerly untouchable.

Just like Paul could only reach certain places but there were some things he said he could not do that he had to send Timothy to do it. Timothy was a symbol of the Joshua wave. There were some places Timothy could go into that if Paul went he would have been stoned. But Timothy would have been accepted.

### **Dividing the Land**

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The fifth characteristic is the dividing of the land. The purpose of dividing the land is so that the conquest can continue in the delegated form. Joshua does not have to do all the conquering now, but various tribes were to continue the conquest. What Joshua did not complete, the tribes must finish it. The dividing of the land in the New Testament form is the impartation of the gifts.

1 Cor 12 says the Holy Spirit imparts gifts as He wills. Why does the Holy Spirit give you gifts? Not so that the man of God can perform his ministry and gifts alone. Not so that you alone can enjoy the gifts of God. The gift of God is given so that you can extend the Kingdom of God on earth by imparting the gifts to others as well.

The fifth thing the Joshua generation will see is the Body ministry. They will see the conquest at hand and pass on the delegated authority to conquer. This authority and empowerment is delegated to the various members of the Body. Even from the greatest, the head, the ears, two eyes, the 5 fold ministries to the least, the little toe nails in the Body. Every one will be given some goliaths to conquer, some the 'King of Og' to overcome, and some the 'Amalakites' to be destroyed. Everyone in the Body of Christ will be roused and united through the Joshua wave.

The Joshua wave will see a new realm of Body ministry never seen before by the Moses generation. I saw in my spirit where the man of God sometimes do not even need to minister, where the Church will just gather and they will just worship and the preacher will not be preaching but just leading and coordinating. And there will not be a man of God they come to hear. They come to hear God. Then from one corner will come a prophecy and from another corner a miracle. And the presence of God will be so strong that if there were any sick person there they would be healed. If there were unbelievers there they will be convicted without the voice and works of the 5 fold minister, but because the Body of Christ has gathered together. We see a little of it in the previous Moses wave that something happens when there is a gathering of the 5 fold ministry and believers.

What we are going to see in the Joshua wave when the believers gather together is there will be an extended increase in the corporate anointing. The corporate anointing will be so strong that it will be equal to what is said in the book of Ephesians 1,2 and 3 that the Church becomes filled with the fullness of God. The fullness of God will dwell bodily in the Church just at the gathering of believers for we are at the Feast of Trumpets.