

West Towne Circles Discussion Guide

# 20/20: Honoring the Past by Investing in the Future



Honoring the **PAST**  
by Preparing for the **FUTURE**

# Week One: Looking Ahead

## Overview

This week, we discussed the major step forward that the Israelites took at the beginning of the book of Joshua. We see how in light of Moses' death, Joshua was raised up by God to lead the people of Israel. It was a new era in their history; no more would they wander in the desert. Instead, they would be led to the land that God had promised their people all along. Though this was an exciting time, it was also a time full of transition and challenges. As we begin a new decade, our church finds ourselves in a similar space. We're entering into a new moment in our history, one in which we celebrate what God has done at West Towne over the past fifty years, and one in which we also prayerfully anticipate what God is going to do here over the next half century. Maybe you find yourself in a similar place as well. You may be in an "in-between" season of your own life. As we'll learn throughout this series: God still has good things in store for you, and for us as a church. Our best days are still yet to come.

## Prayer

As you begin this session, pray and ask that God would reveal to you spaces in your life in which you need to trust him with your future.

## Reading and Discussion

Use this scripture and these questions to frame your discussion as a group.

Read Joshua 1:1-9 together as a group.

1. How did this week's message resonate with you? Do you feel like you are constantly looking back and longing for the past?
2. God told Joshua and the people of Israel to rise up, and to go on with his calling for them after the death of Moses. What does this scripture tell us about God's will for us in these "in-between" seasons?
3. Has there been a moment in your life in which you walked through an "in-between" season, and God saw you through to the other side of it? Share with the group, if you feel comfortable.
4. Where are you praying for God to move in 2020? Whether in your own life, the life of your family, or in the life of someone you care about. Share with the group, and spend some time praying for one another as you close this session.



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