

## Stepping into the Fullness of what God has for You

### Joshua 1:1-9

**Ice Breaker:** Describe a time when you were terrified of doing something – but did it anyway. How did you feel after you did it? Why?

**Big Idea:** The only way to receive the new thing that God has for us is to let go of whatever needs to “die” (even those things dear and familiar to us) and to step into what He has for us – even if it’s scary. The door we fear walking through the most may be the very one where God will meet us in profound ways.

#### **Digging Deeper:**

- 1) Read Joshua 1:1-2a. What’s the first thing that God says to Joshua? How would you have felt (if you were Joshua) – and the person who had been your mentor and leader for forty years was now dead?
- 2) Read Joshua 1:2-9. What is the assignment that God gives to Joshua (in v2)? How is God’s promise conditioned by what Joshua is willing to do (v3)? What does this tell us about the relationship between God’s purpose for our lives and our response?
- 3) God tells Joshua three times (v6, 7, & 9). Why do you think God needed to say this to Joshua so many times? What does this tell us about fear and courage? Are there assignments in your life for which you are afraid? How would your fear diminish and your courage grow if you knew God would be with you in this assignment (v5 & v9)?
- 4) Is there a specific step that you’re afraid to take you sense God is calling you to take? Name the step out loud. Pray for each other to have the courage to take these steps – so that you can experience more deeply the presence and power of God in your lives.