

**Title:** Turn the Tassel

**Text:** Joshua 1:1-5

**Target:** Your life is a book filled with chapters that tell the story of your journey from beginning to end. Every chapter builds upon each other but were never intended to remain in forever. "Turn the Tassel" is a reminder that we serve a God of "new chapters!"

- I. **Know His Pleasure for you:** "After the death of Moses the servant of the Lord, **the Lord said** to Joshua the son of Nun, Moses' assistant." (Vs. 1)
  - A. **He has Chosen you (Witness):** "These were the names of the men whom Moses sent to spy out the land. And Moses called Hoshea the son of nun, **Joshua (Jehovah is Salvation)**." Numbers 13:16
  - B. **He has Prepared you (Warrior):** "So Moses said to Joshua, "**Choose for us men, and go out and fight with Amalek.**" Tomorrow I will stand on top of the hill with the staff of God in my hand." (Ex. 17:9)
  - C. **He Speaks to you (Worshipper):** "Thus the Lord used to speak to Moses face to face, as a man speaks to his friend. When Moses turned again into the camp, his assistant Joshua the son of Nun, a young man, **would not depart from the tent.**" (Ex. 33:11)
  
- II. **Claim His Provision for you:** "Every place that the sole of your foot will tread upon **I have given to you.** Just as I promised to Moses." (Vs. 3)
  - A. **It has been Given:** "The Lord spoke to Moses, saying, "Send men to spy out the land of Canaan, **which I am giving to the people of Israel.** From each tribe of their fathers you shall send a man, every one a chief among them." (Numbers 13:1-2)
  - B. **It has Goliaths:** "And there we saw the Nephilim (the sons of Anak, who come from the Nephilim), and we **seemed to ourselves like grasshoppers,** and so we seemed to them." (Numbers 13:33)
  - C. **It has been Guaranteed:** "If the Lord delights in us, he will bring us into this land and give it to us, a land that flows with milk and honey. Only do not rebel against the Lord. And do not fear the people of the land, for they are bread for us. **Their protection is removed from them and the Lord is with us; do not fear them.**" (Numbers 14:8-9)
  
- III. **Rest in His Presence in you:** "No man shall be able to stand before you **all the days of your life.** Just as I was **with** Moses, so I will be with you. I will not leave you or forsake you." (Vs. 5)
  - A. **Bestows Courage:** Immanuel, God **with** us (Matt. 1:23)
  - B. **Brings Comfort:** "And behold, I am **with** you always, to the end of the age." (Matt. 28:20)
  - C. **Builds Confidence:** "What then shall we say to these things? If God is **for** us, who can be against us?" (Romans 8:31)

**Take Away:** The calling on your life is more than a cause to embrace it is a conviction that embraces you.