Week 10: Joshua's Farewell and Death

Book of Joshua chapter 23-24

Objective:

- Joshua's Farewell and Death

Resources:

- Book of Joshua - Fr Tadros Malaty Commentary (English)
- Catena Bible Commentary
- Fr Dawoud Lamie Bible study (Arabic)
- Fr Luka Maher Bible study (Arabic)

Reading:

- Book of Joshua 23-24

Key verse(s):

- "And you know in all your hearts and in all your souls that not one thing has failed of all the good things which the Lord your God spoke concerning you. All have come to pass for you; not one word of them has failed." Joshua 23:14

Comments:

- These chapters represent Joshua's last speech to the people, where he hands over his responsibilities to them and bids them farewell, offering final guidance and counsel."

Chapter 23

- Gathering the Leaders for the Address (verses 1-4)
- Encouragement and Hope (verses 5-11)
  - Joshua offers words of encouragement and hope to the Israelites. He reassures them of God's promises and encourages them to remain steadfast and obedient in their faith.
- Warning (verses 12-16)

    - Everyone has the role of encouraging the weak and, at the same time, a necessary role in warning the careless to adhere to God's commandments and love. It is crucial to present the truth in a suitable manner to those you are responsible for, ensuring that you guide everyone towards God and away from evil."

Chapter 24

- God's Care for His People (verses 1-15)
    - Joshua recounts God's faithfulness and care for the Israelites throughout their history. He reminds them of how God has guided, protected, and provided for them, and calls them to respond with faithfulness and obedience.
- The Covenant of the People to Worship God (verses 16-28)
    - The Israelites renew their covenant with God.
    - Joshua wanted to make it clear that commitment to worshiping the Lord must be complete, because God is holy and zealous for His name. He does not forgive those who betray Him and turn away from His worship to worship other gods. Instead, He punishes and destroys them."
- The Death of Joshua (verses 29-33)

Review/recap questions:
***Servant may add more questions*

- *What was the message that Joshua delivered to Israel?*
- *What did Joshua do to remind the people of their commitment to the Lord?*

Homework:
***Servant may add more questions*

- *Joshua warned Israel from serving other _____.*
- *Who brought the Israelites out of the Land of Egypt?*
  a) Pharaoh b) Joseph c) the Egyptians d) the Lord
- **How old was Joshua when he died?**
  A) 90 years old
  B) 100 years old
  C) 110 years old
  D) 120 years old

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