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Never Travel Without These

Joshua 1.1-9

Whenever we prepare for a trip, there are a few things we never leave home without. They may not seem important until something goes wrong, but when the unexpected happens, those essentials become invaluable. As Joshua prepared Israel for a new journey, God reminded him of the spiritual essentials every believer needs. If we're going to travel well through life, there are some things we should never leave behind.

Our Essentials for the Journey:

1. A healthy daily dose of **GOD'S WORD** Joshua 1.7-8

I have hidden your word in my heart that I might not sin against you.
Psalm 119.11

My tears have been my food day and night... Psalm 42.3

My child, pay attention to what I say. Listen carefully to my words. Don't lose sight of them. Let them penetrate deep into your heart, for they bring life to those who find them, and healing to their whole body.
Proverbs 4.20-22

2. A generous complement of **GOD'S PEOPLE**

*Now then, you and **all these people**...* Joshua 1.2

*And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, **not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another**—and all the more as you see the Day approaching.* Hebrews 10.24-25

3. An acute awareness of **GOD'S PRESENCE**

As I was with Moses, so I will be with you; I will never leave you nor forsake you. v5

Yet the news about him spread all the more, so that crowds of people came to hear him and to be healed of their sicknesses. But Jesus often withdrew to lonely places and prayed. Luke 5.15-16

...he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus. Philippians 1.6

What's in your suitcase? Is it adequate for the journey ahead?

What is God saying to me?

What am I going to do about it?

Love God, Love Others, Learn Jesus, DO SOMETHING!
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