

Joshua

Possessing the Promise

"Sharing in Sanctification"

INTRO: *Israel's possession of the Promise Land represented the nation's **political** sanctification. The Church is a spiritual nation (1 Peter 2:9) whose sanctification is **spiritual**. Individual Christians pursue sanctification through obedience. But do Believers have an obligation to help other Believers in their sanctification?*

I. God has commanded His people to pursue _____ through _____ (1:10-11). *Israel's invasion of the Promise Land symbolizes the Christian's pursuit of spiritual sanctification.*

II. Believers have an _____ to assist others in their _____ (1:12-15). *Like Israel, the Church is comprised of members who belong to one another!*

III. Assist others in their _____ (1:16-18). *There are at least three reasons from the text that explain why.*

A. We have all _____ from other's _____.
The 2 1/2 tribes had benefitted from the others.

B. _____ shared with others cannot be _____.
The inheritance of the 2 1/2 tribes was secured.

C. _____ help identify the _____ and hold us _____.
Joshua identified the need and would hold the tribes accountable for their vows of allegiance.