

Riverside Church of God in Christ

Sunday School on the Run – Student Guide

Lesson Date: March 1, 2026

Lesson Theme: When God Calls You to Step Forward

Key Scriptures (KJV):

Joshua 1:6–9; Hebrews 11:8

Lesson Summary:

This lesson emphasizes courage and obedience when God calls believers to move forward. Joshua was commanded to be strong and courageous as he stepped into leadership after Moses. God's instruction centered on remaining rooted in His Word and trusting His presence. Hebrews reminds us that Abraham obeyed by faith, going out not knowing where he was going. Faith requires movement even when full clarity is not given.

Lesson Objectives:

- Understand the relationship between courage and obedience.
- Recognize that God's presence is greater than uncertainty.
- Identify areas where God may be calling you to step forward.
- Apply biblical faith principles to daily decisions.

Key Teaching Points:

- Courage is commanded, not optional.
- Obedience is anchored in God's Word.
- Faith often requires movement without full explanation.
- God's presence accompanies His calling.
- Strength is choosing obedience despite fear.

Life Application:

Believers are encouraged to reflect on areas where hesitation may be delaying obedience. Consistent meditation on God's Word strengthens courage. When God calls forward movement, faith responds with trust rather than fear.

Reflection Questions:

- Where is God calling you to step forward?
- What fears are hindering obedience?
- How can meditation on Scripture strengthen your courage?
- What past experiences show God's faithfulness when you stepped forward in faith?

Memory Verse:

"Have not I commanded thee? Be strong and of a good courage; be not afraid, neither be thou dismayed: for the Lord thy God is with thee whithersoever thou goest." (Joshua 1:9, KJV)