

# "Crossing Bridges"

God has great plans for you but what will it take to actually seize His opportunities?

- God's instruction to Joshua is filled with Bridge-Crossing strategy. Joshua 1:1-9

**#1 Bridge-Crossers gain freedom from their past.** Joshua 1:1-2

- Satan would like to keep you paralyzed by past failure. Romans 8:1
- Satan would like to keep you crippled by past hurt. 2 Corinthians 5:17
- Satan would like to keep you stagnated by past success. Philippians 3:13,14

**#2 Bridge-Crossers take action.** Joshua 1:3-4

- All great people of faith are moved to action because they believe God. Hebrews 11

**#3 Bridge-Crossers focus on God, not on people or circumstances.** Joshua 1:5,6

- Allow the living God to dominate your present reality. 1 Samuel 17:26; Romans 8:31

**#4 Bridge-Crossers align themselves with God's truth.** Joshua 1:7-9

- God's power is unleashed in our lives when we act upon His Word. Hebrews 4:12

## Bridge-Crossing Plan - 2013

1. Bridge-Crossers gain freedom from their past. Evaluate: Is there baggage you need to discard? Past sins/failures - Past hurts - Past successes?
  - Humbly take your baggage to the foot of the cross and leave it there forever.
  - Ask God to start a "new creation"-kind-of-venture in and through you in 2013.
2. Bridge-Crossers take action. You can't cross a bridge without taking the first step.
  - Ask God what first step He wants you to take to begin your 2013 journey.
3. Bridge-Crossers focus on God, not on people or circumstances. To David, who served a living God, an uncircumcised Philistine didn't factor in to his decision-making conclusions.
  - Evaluate: Is there a person/circumstance keeping you from crossing your bridge?
  - Ask God to empower you to bring those areas into alignment with the living God.
4. Bridge-Crossers align themselves w/ God's truth. God's power won't be unleashed in your life until you act upon His Word. Is God's Word part of the fabric of your life?
  - Ask God for direction in formulating a sustainable plan to connect to His Word.

**We refuse to live like we don't care!**