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BIBLE ADVENTURES SCRIPT:

**A1457 ~ A Captain Instructs Joshua.**

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*Welcome to Bible Adventures. Help for today. Hope for tomorrow. Jesus is Lord of all.*

People who want to have great power as leaders of their country, usually make fine promises so others will vote for them. They say, "Trust me; I will make life easier for you." But often, when they get into power, they are not faithful to their promises. They may find them too difficult to keep, or they may not really care. It is foolish to put our trust in them.

But there is One Who is fully trustworthy. In the Bible book Titus, chapter 1, the Apostle Paul said this, "I was sent to help the faith of God's chosen people and to lead them to the truth, which is the hope of eternal life. **God, Who does not lie, promised** this before the beginning of time," and Psalm 145 says this, "The Lord is faithful to His promises, and everything He does is good."

We often expect God to carry out His promises straightaway, but His understanding is far above ours, and He fulfils what He has promised at just the right time. He promises to guide His children always when we put our trust in Him. The Bible book Proverbs, Chapter 3, says this, "Trust in the Lord with all your heart. Never rely on what you think you know.

Remember the Lord in everything you do, and He will show you the right way."

Some people were taking Bibles to a far-away village in Europe. The mountain road was long and difficult, and as night was coming on, they still had not found the place. They came to a fork in the road, but they did not know the language and could not read the sign. When they prayed to their heavenly Father, He guided them to take the left-hand track. They trusted and obeyed Him and soon they came to their journey's end. All the waiting villagers were full of joy to receive their own copy of God's Word at last.

The Almighty God had said Joshua was to be leader of the Israelites after Moses' death. As a young man, forty years before, Joshua and Caleb had trusted God when everyone else doubted and disobeyed. Joshua and Caleb were still strong, and they still loved God. When the people arrived at the east side of the Jordan River, the Lord said to Joshua, "As I was with Moses, so will I be with you. I will never leave you nor forsake you. Be strong and courageous."

Now, everyone had crossed over the river.

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Keeping the Passover feast was the very best way for the Children of Israel to start their new life in the Promised Land. God had told them to celebrate it every year to remind them how He had saved them, and had set them free from slavery in Egypt. As long as each family put the blood of a spotless lamb on the doorway of their homes, the angel of death did not harm them. But the firstborn of every unbelieving Egyptian family died that night. The Pharaoh knew God was speaking to him, and he ordered all the Israelite slaves to leave his country.

The Passover and the death of a spotless lamb to save the Israelites from death, is a picture of the Lord Jesus Christ, the sinless Lamb of God. Jesus shed His blood on the Cross to save us from eternal death. He sets us free from our slavery to sin and gives us eternal **life** when we turn from our own ways and come to Him.

The Bible book 1 Corinthians, chapter 5, says this, "... Christ, our Passover Lamb has been sacrificed. Let us celebrate our Passover, then, ...with the bread of purity and truth." And chapter 11 tells us how Jesus also gave His disciples a cup of new wine, and said, "This cup is God's new Covenant, sealed with My blood. Whenever you drink it, do so in memory of Me. This means that every time you eat this bread and drink from this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until He comes." Remembering the price Jesus paid to save us, also reminds us He is coming again. He will take all who love and follow Him to heaven. But He will destroy our great enemy, Satan, and He will judge all who have refused to believe the truth.

A world famous tightrope walker entertained crowds by doing difficult things on a rope stretched out between two strong posts. Once he did these things in a dangerous place over the Niagara Falls. One mistake and he would have fallen to his death. He asked the crowd if he could push a man in a wheelbarrow across the Falls. They all shouted that he could. So he offered a man at the front of the crowd to get in the barrow. The man was not willing to trust his life to the tightrope walker. And so it is for many people. They know much about the Lord Jesus but are not willing to trust everything to Him. Yet it is the commitment to Christ which enables His children to do much greater things than they could have expected themselves to do. Trusting in Jesus means more than just knowing about Him. It means to rely on Him and to cling to Him in all situations.

Joshua was right not to trust in himself. He felt unable, but he did not say, "Oh, no, I cannot do it." He was willing to obey. He asked God for guidance and wisdom, and God showed him how to conquer the enemy. Hundreds of years later God called the apostle Paul to preach the Good News and to rescue many people from Satan's evil power.

In the book Ephesians, chapter 6, Paul said this, "We are fighting against the wicked spiritual forces in the heavenly world, the rulers, authorities and cosmic powers of this dark age." Paul did not say, "These evil powers are too strong - I cannot do it!" He always asked the Lord for help. In the book Philippians, chapter 4, he said, "I can do everything through Christ Who gives me strength." And this is true for everyone who trusts and obeys the Lord Jesus Christ.

There will be spiritual battles in life against our own bad habits. When different kinds of troubles come to us, we need to fight every spiritual battle. We can be strong and win these battles through trusting Jesus. In the Bible book Revelation, chapter 3, the Lord Jesus said this, "To those who win the victory I will give the right to sit beside Me on My throne, just as I have been victorious, and now sit by My Father on His throne." What a glorious future for those who persevere in their trials!

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That was Teresa James singing "The Night is nearly over".

*The drama is from The Bible In Living Sound.*

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