

Keys to Advancing II

Success leaves clues.

Some clues are explicit, and some clues are implicit.

Clues are something that guides through an intricate procedure or maze of difficulties.

KJV Joshua 1:8 This book of the law shall not depart out of thy **mouth**; but thou shalt **meditate** therein day and night, that thou mayest observe **to do** according to all that is written therein: for then thou shalt make thy way **prosperous**, and then thou shalt have **good success**.⁹ 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.

Be strong and courageous.

This is repeated three times in chapter 1.

- Strength is internal.
- Courage is external.


Power will bring you out of Egypt.

Strength will keep you through the wilderness.

- Courage will take you into the land.

Courage is the ability to act in the face of fear, intimidation, and overwhelming odds.

Be strong and be courageous!

 *It will take courage to go through succession!*

I

Success is not success without a successor.

Succession is the peaceful and orderly transfer of authority, resources, and leadership to the next generation of leaders.

Moses to Joshua, Moses' minister, is one succession model.

Joshua needed strength and courage.

Why courage?

Moses would struggle with the people he led.

Joshua would struggle with the inhabitants of the land he was called to conquer and possess.

🔑 *Current and future leaders will both have struggles!*

II

Moses' journey was from Egypt, to Midia, the desert and through the wilderness.

KJV Exodus 2:14 And he said, Who made thee a prince and a judge over us? intendest thou to kill me, as thou killedst the **Egyptian**? And Moses feared, and said, Surely this thing is known. ¹⁵ Now when Pharaoh heard this thing, he sought to slay Moses. But Moses fled from the face of Pharaoh, and dwelt in the land of **Midian**: and he sat down by a well.

Moses was a leader of slaves, wilderness wanderers and desert babies.

Joshua was born in Egypt, journeyed through the wilderness and would cross Jordan and enter the land.

KJV Joshua 1:1 Now after the death of Moses the servant of the LORD it came to pass, that the LORD spake unto Joshua the son of Nun, Moses' minister, saying, ² Moses my servant is dead; **now therefore arise, go over this Jordan, thou, and all this people**, unto the land which I do give to them, even to the children of Israel.

Joshua would lead desert babies and wilderness wanderers to be become a dominant force and military warriors.

The successor will need different abilities, different skills and have a different focus!

🔑 *Advancement and progress are the goal of both the current leader and future leader.*

III

Why do we need courage to advance?

🔑 *It takes courage to...*

- *Ask for help*
- *Admit need*
- *Change*
- *Act in the face of fear*
- *Admit you are wrong*

🔑 *Be strong and very courageous!*

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