



Dictionary

Joshua

anger (God's anger)	God's attitude and response to sin.
anoint	to pour or rub oil on a person or object. This action symbolized that the person or object had been chosen to serve God in a special way.
ark of the covenant	a chest that symbolized God's presence with the people of Israel. It contained the stone tablets (10 Commandments), a jar of manna, and the rod of Aaron.
authority	right to exercise power over someone else; Jesus is the ultimate authority in any Christian's life.
believe	to accept as true or real; trust; have confidence in; have faith in; make a commitment to. Faith.
Bible	God's autobiography; God's plan for the world; a love letter to us; an instruction manual on how to act and live.
blessing	divine favor; heavenly reward; contentment from God; a ceremony of binding words a father gives when he officially hands over the birthright (inheritance) to his rightful heir.
Canaan	the Promised Land God gave to the Israelites.
circumcision	"cutting around"; physically – mark on men of Israel that God had chosen them to belong to Him – setting them apart; spiritually – cutting out sin – thoughts, attitudes and actions that are against God.
compassion	sharing the hurts of another and wanting to help.
conform	agree, follow, act according to socially acceptable standards; become similar in character.
courage	taking a stand; doing what is right even when you are afraid.
covenant	a lifelong promise that can never be broken; an agreement between two people or groups promising to do certain things; such as God's promises to His people.
culture	shared and accepted attitudes, values, goals, and practices in a society.
dedication	the act of setting something apart for a sacred purpose.
eternal life	life that begins when a person turns from sin in commitment to Jesus. Supreme quality of life on earth as well as unending life with God.
evil spirits	beings that are ruled by Satan; they work to tempt people to sin; they were created by God, but are fallen angels who joined Satan in his rebellion.
exalt	lift up; raise high; to exalt God is to worship or praise Him.

faith	trust, loyalty, belief; accepting God's Word as fact; deciding to surrender and live your life to follow Jesus.
fear of the Lord	to respect who God is, what He says, and what He does; a respect that leads to obedience and love of God; profound reverence and awe toward God; true honor, devotion, obedience and love of God.
forgiveness	to pardon sins; choice we make. We forgive by faith, out of obedience.
glory	divine quality; splendor, beauty and radiance of God's presence.
God	The One who is all-powerful; all-knowing; present everywhere at once; unchanging; above the bounds of time; absolutely right to govern His creation; Holy.
Good News/ gospel	"good news"; story of Jesus' birth, life, death, and resurrection. The message that God sent His Son Jesus to take away our sins by dying on the cross and resurrecting to life again to save all who trust in Him.
grace	God's free and undeserved love toward sinful humans that never quits. God's favor. God's power to help us do whatever we need to do.
guard your heart	keeping your heart pure and safe by protecting it from evil and focusing on God.
heart	inner thoughts and feelings; the real me living inside that thinks, feels, and decides; my character or personality.
heaven	God's home and where those who have believed in Jesus as their Savior go when they die.
hell	a place of punishment for those who die without believing in Jesus Christ as their personal Savior.
holy	set apart for use by God; a continual work by the HS in the lives of Christians. A life like God wants you to live.
Holy Spirit (HS)	God's Spirit. Lives within all Christians to help them, communicate God's truth to them, convict them of sin, convince them that God's ways are right, empower them to obey Jesus and comfort them when sad.
honor	show highest respect for.
hope	believe with confidence that God will accomplish what He has promised; believe that God will be faithful to do what He said He would do; that we trust God even we never find out why something happens.
humility	a modest view of one's own importance; seeing ourselves as God sees us; recognizing that all we have comes from God.
Idol	anything that is more important to us than God.
Israelites	God's chosen people; Jews; God promised the land of Israel to these people.
Jesus	The Christ; anointed Son of God; true Messiah; Savior of the world. Paid the complete penalty for sin for the whole world.
judgment	act or process of judging - only God's to decide and carry out.
Kingdom of God	Jesus' reign now and a future time when Jesus will rule over all humanity. Jesus has come but He will come again.
law	God's rules for living; commandments; makes people aware of sin and their sinfulness.

Israel	means "Prince of God;" the country God gave to His chosen people; the Jews.
memorial	reminder; celebrate or honor the memory of an event.
mercy	deep caring, loving, forgiveness, and kindness when it is not deserved.
Messiah	Jesus Christ. Messiah is a Hebrew word for the person chosen by God to die for our sins.
obey/obedience	believing and doing what God says; living like Him; pleasing Him; serving Him; getting to know Him better. Obeying God shows our trust in Him and His will.
Passover	a Jewish celebration remembering the time God spared the firstborn sons of His people when the firstborn sons of all the Egyptians died. This resulted in the Jewish people being freed from slavery in Egypt.
peace	God-given contentment which results in total confidence in God for everything.
patriarch	father or head of a family or tribe.
persecution	treating someone in a cruel way because he/she is different; mistreatment of an individual or group.
priest	official ministers or worship leaders for the nation of Israel who represented the people before God and performed special religious ceremonies to atone for sins.
prophecy	a God-inspired message or prediction of something that will happen in the future.
prophet	a person who speaks for God to His people; one who gives God's message to the people.
purify	make clean; make holy; to set apart for God.
redeem/ redemption	buy back; to rescue with a ransom; Jesus paid the price for our release from sin - He redeemed us.
repent	regret something you have done; ask God to forgive you; and want to change your ways; turn away from sin.
resurrection	to come back to life after being dead.
righteous/ righteousness	being in a right relationship with God; without guilt or sin. God declares believers not guilty/righteous because of their faith in Jesus.
salvation/saved	rescued or delivered from the penalty and power of sin in your life because you believe that Jesus, God's Son, came to earth and died on the cross to pay the penalty for your sins. He resurrected to life again to save all who trust in Him. Saved.
Satan	God's enemy; powerful angel who rebelled against God and was cast out of heaven; tempts people to sin.
Savior	Jesus Christ is "The Savior" because He delivers us from being punished for our sins.
Scripture	God's Words; the Bible.
servant	one who belongs to another; serves another.
sin	any action or attitude that falls short of God's perfect standard; separates us from a holy God. When we sin we show contempt for God. Sin keeps the world from working as God originally intended it to.

sovereign	having complete power and authority.
tabernacle	the portable, temporary tent shelter used as a place of worship for the people of Israel; the place where God dwelled among them.
temptation	anything that attracts a person to do something unwise, wrong, or opposed to God's will.
wisdom	God-given understanding; the ability to make good decisions; the ability to distinguish between right and wrong; comes from God.
worship	giving reverence and honor to God; expressing our love and praise to Him.
world	the values and ways of life found in the world that oppose the ways of God. People who live as though there is no God.