

Joshua

(means Jehovah Saves or the Lord is Salvation)

Summary

Events in Joshua took place after Moses' death. Moses appointed Joshua as his successor. This book is the last of the 12 historical books. Joshua is approaching 90 years of age when he became the leader. He died at the age of 110.

Author and Date:

Anonymous; no author identified. It's possible that Joshua could have written it or someone who knew him and had access to him. The ending may have been written by the high priest, Phinehas. 1405 - 1385 B.C.

Audience/ Setting:

People of Israel. Canaan (the Promised Land)

Purpose:

Gives the history of Israel's conquest of the Promised Land.

Key People:

Joshua, Rahab, Achan, Phinehas, Eleazar

Key Places:

Jericho, Ai, Mount Ebal, Mount Gerizim, Gibeon, Gilgal, Shiloh, Shechem

References

Application Study Bible
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