

[Joshua 5:13-15](#)

Biblical Background: Joshua, the new leader of Israel, has led the people of Israel across the Jordan River. God has exalted him before the people. Now, they see him as their true leader, just as they had done with Moses.

In this chapter, the Israelites have taken the time to circumcise the new generation. The Israelites had not circumcised those born on the journey.

1. Chapter 5 is all about \_\_\_\_\_ matters.
2. They \_\_\_\_\_ the new generation and engaged in a Passover meal. The Israelites are \_\_\_\_\_ spiritual matters now that they are settled.
3. Joshua was near \_\_\_\_\_, his next battleground, when he sees a man standing with a \_\_\_\_\_ sword.
4. Joshua does not immediately \_\_\_\_\_ the man, approaching him with only \_\_\_\_\_ concern.
5. The question Joshua poses shows what is dominating his mindset: conquering, \_\_\_\_\_, enemies, and maybe even \_\_\_\_\_.
6. People often struggle to see \_\_\_\_\_ occurrences as what they are because we are \_\_\_\_\_ with our own matters.
7. The commander's answer signifies that his \_\_\_\_\_ is not the same as Joshua's.
8. Everything is not about \_\_\_\_\_ or losing, peace or fighting. The commander signifies a call for Joshua to \_\_\_\_\_.
9. Though he \_\_\_\_\_ to answer his question, the man is \_\_\_\_\_ that he would be "\_\_\_\_\_ " Israel, not "against" it.
10. When we recognize that we are in the \_\_\_\_\_ of a superior being (God), we must bow in \_\_\_\_\_.

11. Worship is as much about \_\_\_\_\_ as it is bowing.
12. The man tells Joshua to take off his \_\_\_\_\_.
13. God is showing Himself to Joshua, promising his \_\_\_\_\_ with him, \_\_\_\_\_ to fight on his behalf.
14. Spiritual preparation is \_\_\_\_\_ for tactical, or practical, \_\_\_\_\_.
15. The principle here is what it has been and \_\_\_\_\_ is: God wants and \_\_\_\_\_ our holiness.
16. It is in this space that Joshua learns that though he is the \_\_\_\_\_ of Israel, he is still a man under \_\_\_\_\_.
17. Wherever God is, is \_\_\_\_\_!
18. So, the important lesson for Joshua and us is that big battles, miniscule matters, and everything in between, are about God's \_\_\_\_\_, not about the coming \_\_\_\_\_.