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## WE'VE BEEN ON A JOURNEY!

It began over 150 years ago three miles north of Plant City in Shiloh. It continued as we moved three miles south to the newly founded Plant City in the late 1800's. It continues today as we have moved another three miles south to our new campus.

When we purchased our current property, we called it "The Promise Land." Just as God took Israel on a journey after 400 years in Egypt, He has taken our church on a journey. Different circumstances, same great God. When the church moved from Shiloh to the new city of Plant City, then built a worship facility in the 1930's, and another new facility in the 1990's, each move, or generation, was standing on the shoulders of those who came before. Today we stand on the shoulders of past generations and now become the shoulders for those who will follow us.

For Israel to "possess" the land God was about to give them, they had to follow in faith. The whole nation, not just the soldiers or spiritual leaders, exhibited great faith. By faith they stepped into the Jordan River and the water stopped flowing. By faith they conquered Jericho, marching around the fortified city at God's command. Each member of the nation of Israel carried out their role - marching, singing, shouting, worshiping – until the walls fell and they possessed the city. With each step, God had something more for Israel.

As the people of First Baptist Church Plant City, God desires us to step out in faith and obediently follow Him on our journey. Our next step is Destination Next. It is our opportunity to obediently follow God, each one of us fulfilling our part in possessing the land. Our first big task, our Jericho, is to eliminate the debt we have incurred on this journey. God has a part for each one of us to fulfill. Here are some questions to consider:

Will you seek God about your part as we march, sing, shout, and worship to fully possess the land?

Will you join us now that we have crossed the Jordan and moved into our Promise Land?

The LORD never sent the children of Israel on any mission that He didn't fully provide for them. Most often, that provision was through the people themselves as He provided for them.

Pray and ask the LORD what He would have you do! Remember, it's not equal gifts, but equal sacrifice and obedience.