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### A NEW DIRECTOR FOR NASA

Earlier this year, the world was captivated by watching the reports of the Artemis II mission, which successfully carried four astronauts on a trip around the moon. The plan is for humans to land upon the moon for the first time since the Apollo era by 2028. In the midst of this, the former head of the Kennedy Space Center retired. The newly designated senior director of launch operations, Brian Hughes, is stepping into the role at a crucial juncture—when the Kennedy Space Center is managing multiple missions and launch operators—SpaceX, United Launch Alliance, and others.

### A NEW LEADER OF ISRAEL

Moses, the great leader of the Israelites and God's servant has died. Joshua, Moses' aide, is to be his successor. The people are preparing to cross the Jordan to enter the land of promise, and God will be with Joshua as he was with Moses. God tells Joshua to take courage, since he will be the leader that the people need. This encouragement is aimed at provoking the Israelites to follow the law that God had given. The law doesn't require simple obedience, but rather a lifestyle of seeking God's way. This alone can prepare the people to enter the promised land.

1. Would you want the chance to walk upon the moon? Why, or why not?
2. Where have you witnessed a high-pressure transition of leadership?
3. How does God's encouragement inspire you to courageous acts of leadership?

### Additional Resources

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#### Playlists

[Contemporary Worship Weekly](#)  
[Echoes Worship Weekly](#) (featuring African-American music artists)  
[Traditional Worship Weekly](#)

#### Study Resources

Article: [BibleProject Guide on "Joshua"](#)  
Commentary: [Thomas L. Constable's "God's Charge to Joshua 1:1–9"](#)  
Devotion: [Theology of Work on "The Call to Courage in a Time of Fear and Doubt"](#)