

**Joshua: A Time For Action
To Lead, We Must First Learn To Follow
Joshua 5:13-15 (page 151)**

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Learning to follow means that I will...

Start with God (vs 13-14a)

I come to recognize:

- God is the one in c o m m a n d (Job 23:13; Ps 135:6; Isa 55:8-9)
- His personal p r e s e n c e (Ex 33:14-16; Josh 1:5,9)
- His powerful p r o v i s i o n (2 Ki 6:8-17; Matt 26:52-53; Heb 1:14)

Who is this person?

- A mere m a n (Acts 14:8-20)
- An a n g e l (Rev 19:10)
- G o d Himself (Ex 3:2, 14)

This was a *Christophany* – a manifestation of the pre-i n c a r n a t e C h r i s t, also sometimes called “**the** angel of the Lord” (Gen 16:7; 18:1-33; 22:11-18; 31:11-13; 32:24-32; 48:15-16; Ex 3:2,14; Judg 13:19-22; 2 Ki 19:35; 1 Chron 21:15-19; Ps 34:7)

Worship Him (v 14b)

I come to God:

- in h u m i l t y (Ps 18:27; 147:6; Jas 4:10; 1 Pet 5:6)
- with r e v e r e n c e (Deut 4:10; Eccl 3:14; Heb 12:28; Jer 44:10)

Seek His will (v 14c)

I can:

- A s k God to know His will (Matt 7:7-8; Acts 22:10; Jas 1:5)
- Be still to l i s t e n for His voice (Ps 46:10; 1 Ki 19:11-13; Heb 3:7,14)

Obey His voice (v 15)

That means:

- I will s u b m i t myself to the Lord (Job 22:21-22; Ps 81:10-12; Jas 4:7)
- I will a c t on what He says (1 Sam 15:22; Ps 119:60; John 14:15,21,23-24)