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# **Devotional concept: Life in the new country**



This devotional concept was created for a fall camp (7 days) on the theme of the Wild West. Parallel to this theme, the book of Joshua (life in the new land) was dealt with.

### **Devotional concept**

### **Devotions and Time for President**

### **Devotions / Inputs**

We are dealing with the book of Joshua. The people of Israel came out of exile and wandered in the wilderness for forty years because of their disobedience. Now they are facing the Promised Land.Each input includes a main idea that comes from the biblical story. That would be the central point that your input should be about. I have also made a reference to the Wild West. To deepen this you can read the chapter "a little history". Furthermore, there are questions and comments that can help you in your preparation

#### **Time for President**

The president was far away from the Wild West. Occasionally a messenger would drop by again and announce tax increases, for example, or deliver other messages. But to a large extent, people were on their own.

Our "president" - God - sometimes seems far away, too. But every now and then we hear a message from him, and we have a book - a covenant constitution, so to speak - in which we learn a great deal about him.

We take the time to listen to what he has to say to us today. In doing so, we deepen what we have heard from the previous day.

#### **Overview**

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## Sources

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- A little history: Wikipedia (https://de.wikipedia.org/wiki/Wilder\_Westen and https://de.wikipedia.org/wiki/Kalifornischer\_Goldrausch)