CARE This Week...

April 21, 2024



Crossing the Jordan

Scripture Discussed: Joshua 3:1-4:24

Early in the morning Joshua led the Israelites to the River Jordan where they set up camp. After three days the officers gave orders, 'When you see the ark of the covenant being carried by the priests you are to follow it at a distance (about 2000 cubits (1000 yds)).' Joshua told everyone to get their lives right with God for the next day they would see Him do amazing things. The next day Joshua told the priests to lead off carrying the ark of the covenant towards the River Jordan. The river was in flood and dangerous to cross. God told Joshua to tell the priests when they got to the river bank not to stop but to go and stand in the river.

'It is human nature to want the riverbed to be dry before making a step. God called the priests of Israel to step out in faith. This was an impressive step of faith for Joshua and the priests. This was the bold faith that would ideally mark the people of Israel in the Promised Land.'*

In a similar way, may we also 'step out in faith' when God calls us. Sometimes in life we have to take a step of faith and exhibit our trust of God.

As soon as the priests' feet entered the water the water from upstream stopped flowing. It stood up in a large heap some distance away at a town called Adam. The priests stood in middle of the river bed on dry ground while the people crossed into the Promised Land. Joshua had given orders for twelve men, one from each tribe, to be chosen. He told these men to gather a large stone each from the dry river bed and carry it to the place where they would set up camp for the night. About 40,000 people armed for battle hurried across the River Jordan then stood on the far bank and watched. God instructed Joshua, 'Command the priests to come out of the water.' No sooner had they done so than the waters flooded downstream again.

At a place called Gilgal Joshua instructed the twelve men to set up the large stones they had carried from the river bed as a memorial. 'When future generations ask you what these stones mean,' Joshua announced, 'tell them that the Lord dried up the River Jordan, just as He dried up the Red Sea, so we could cross over. He did this to show His power that you would always be in awe of Him.'

'God's people often fail in their trust in God because they forget the great things He has done. The faith of future generations is often weak because they have never been told how great and real God is.'*

May we be bold and share the great things God does for us!

<u>Bible Verse:</u> Let all that I am praise the Lord; may I never forget the good things he does for me. (NLT)

Psalm 103:2

<u>Life Application:</u> I will remember what God has done for me.

We had an AWESOME Game Night last Saturday! (Pictures Below & On Page 2...)



UPCOMING EVENTS:

Sunday, June 2nd: Happy Birthday Celebration

for May & June Birthdays – 9:30 Sunday Class

Saturday, June 8th: CARE Game Night – 6:00 to 8:30 PM

SATURDAY ZOOM CLASS

Another great ZOOM Bible Study was held this past Saturday. The lesson was on "Crossing the Jordan."

If you know someone that might like to join our ZOOM class, please send them my email address (anita.bruck@huntersglen.org). Tell them to shoot me an email with their name and email address.





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