

Crossing Over (Joshua 3:1-5:12)

Joshua 3:6-8 (NIV)

Joshua said to the priests, "Take up the ark of the covenant and pass on ahead of the people." So they took it up and went ahead of them. And the LORD said to Joshua, "Today I will begin to exalt you in the eyes of all Israel, so they may know that I am with you as I was with Moses. Tell the priests who carry the ark of the covenant: 'When you reach the edge of the Jordan's waters, go and stand in the river.'"

Insights:

- The Lord establishes and calls.
- He calls leaders to both start and finish well.

Prayer Points:

- Establish and call leaders for this season.
- Call me to my place and help me see it through your eyes.
- Give us the courage to lead and finish well.

Joshua 3:15-16 (NIV)

Now the Jordan is at flood stage all during harvest. Yet as soon as the priests who carried the ark reached the Jordan and their feet touched the water's edge, the water from upstream stopped flowing. It piled up in a heap a great distance away, at a town called Adam in the vicinity of Zarethan, while the water flowing down to the Sea of the Arabah (the Salt Sea) was completely cut off. So the people crossed over opposite Jericho.

Insights:

- When we walk in obedience, He reveals His power and glory.
- He is the provider of the steps and path which accomplish His mission.

Prayer Points:

- Reveal yourself supernaturally in my life, family, church and community.
- Show us the steps that will lead us to get our feet wet!

Joshua 4:5-7 (NIV)

and said to them, "Go over before the ark of the LORD your God into the middle of the Jordan. Each of you is to take up a stone on his shoulder, according to the number of the tribes of the Israelites, to serve as a sign among you. In the future, when your children ask you, 'What do these stones mean?' tell them that the flow of the Jordan was cut off before the ark of the covenant of the LORD. When it crossed the Jordan, the waters of the Jordan were cut off. These stones are to be a memorial to the people of Israel forever."

Insights:

- Our actions today affect the generations of tomorrow.
- Only He establishes a lasting testimony for future generations.

Prayer:

- Use us to leave a legacy for those coming behind.
- May we build monuments to the Lord, not ourselves.
- Let us leave behind stories of your power told for generations.

Joshua 5:11-12 (NIV)

The day after the Passover, that very day, they ate some of the produce of the land: unleavened bread and roasted grain. The manna stopped the day after they ate this food from the land; there was no longer any manna for the Israelites, but that year they ate of the produce of Canaan.

Insights:

- Celebrate what God has done in the past.
- Embrace the new things He is moving us towards.

Prayer:

- Help us see and embrace what you are now establishing.
- Do new things in us as individuals and a church.