

# Deuteronomy 2:13

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

Now rise up, said I, and get you over the brook Zered. And we went over the brook Zered.

## Analysis

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The command 'Now rise up... and get you over the brook Zered' marks a turning point—from circling to advancing. The brook Zered served as the boundary between Edomite territory and Moabite lands, representing both geographical progress and the resumption of Israel's forward mission. God's timing for movement is precise—not before readiness, not after opportunity passes. Divine direction includes both waiting seasons and action moments.

## Historical Context

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The brook Zered (modern Wadi al-Hasa) flows into the Dead Sea from the east, marking the historical boundary between Edom and Moab. Crossing it meant Israel had successfully navigated the delicate passage past Edom and was approaching Moab's territory, drawing ever closer to the final goal of entering Canaan from the east.

## Related Passages

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**Hebrews 11:1** — Definition of faith

**Romans 1:17** — The righteous shall live by faith

## Study Questions

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1. What 'brook Zered' moment are you facing—a definitive crossing from waiting into action?
2. How do you discern when God's timing shifts from preparation to forward movement?

## Interlinear Text

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H6258	Now rise up	And we went over	H0	H853	the brook	Zered
	H6965	H5674			H5158	H2218
	וַנֵּעַבְרָא	אֶת	נַחַל	זֶרֶד:		
And we went over	H853	the brook	Zered			
H5674		H5158	H2218			

## Additional Cross-References

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**Numbers 21:12** (Parallel theme): From thence they removed, and pitched in the valley of Zared.