

Joshua 4:3

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

And command ye them, saying, Take you hence out of the midst of Jordan, out of the place where the priests' feet stood firm, twelve stones, and ye shall carry them over with you, and leave them in the lodging place, where ye shall lodge this night.

Analysis

The command to take twelve stones from Jordan's midst where priests stood creates lasting memorial of God's miraculous provision.

Historical Context

This verse appears in the Jordan crossing narrative, one of Joshua's most significant events demonstrating God's power and faithfulness in bringing Israel into the Promised Land.

Related Passages

Genesis 1:1 — Creation of heavens and earth

Colossians 1:16 — All things created through Christ

Study Questions

1. How does this passage demonstrate God's faithfulness to His covenant promises?

2. What application does this truth have for your walk with Christ today?

Interlinear Text

וְצִוּ וְ	אוֹתָם	לֵאמֹר	שָׂאוּ לָכֶם	מִזֶּה	
And command	H853	ye them saying	Take	H0	H2088
H6680		H559	H5375		
מִתּוֹךְ	הַיַּרְדֵּי	מִמָּצֵב	רַגְלֵי		
you hence out of the midst	of Jordan	stood	feet		
H8432	H3383	H4673	H7272		
הַמָּקוֹם	הַיָּבִיטִים	יָבִיטִים	עֲשֶׂה הַ	אֲבָנֵי	
out of the place where the priests	firm	twelve	H6240	stones	
H3548	H3559	H8147		H68	
וְהַעֲבִירְתָּם	אוֹתָם	עִמָּךְ	וְהִנַּחְתָּם	אוֹתָם	
and ye shall carry them over	H853	H5973	with you and leave	H853	
H5674			H3240		
בַּמָּלֶכֶת	אֲשֶׁר	תֵּל יָנוּ	בֹּ	הַלַּיְלָה:	
them in the lodging place	H834	where ye shall lodge	H0	this night	
H4411		H3885		H3915	

Additional Cross-References

Joshua 4:8 (Parallel theme): And the children of Israel did so as Joshua commanded, and took up twelve stones out of the midst of Jordan, as the LORD spake unto Joshua, according to the number of the tribes of the children of Israel, and carried them over with them unto the place where they lodged, and laid them down there.

Joshua 3:13 (Parallel theme): And it shall come to pass, as soon as the soles of the feet of the priests that bear the ark of the LORD, the Lord of all the earth, shall rest in the waters of Jordan, that the waters of Jordan shall be cut off from the waters that come down from above; and they shall stand upon an heap.

