

Joshua 4:5

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

And Joshua said unto them, Pass over before the ark of the LORD your God into the midst of Jordan, and take ye up every man of you a stone upon his shoulder, according unto the number of the tribes of the children of Israel:

Analysis

The command to 'take you up every man of you a stone' ensures personal participation in memorial construction, creating individual stake in community history.

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

Psalms 19:1 — Heavens declare God's glory

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

וַיֹּאמֶר	לָהֶם	יְהוֹשֻׁעַ	עָבְרוּ	לִפְנֵי	אֶרֶץ	יְהוָה
said	H0	And Joshua	unto them Pass over	before	the ark	of the LORD
H559		H3091	H5674	H6440	H727	H3068
אֱלֹהֵיכֶם	אֵל	תּוֹךְ	בְּרִידַי	וְקַח יְמֹ	לָכֶם	אִישׁ
your God	H413	into the midst	of Jordan	and take ye up	H0	man
H430		H8432	H3383	H7311		H376
אֶבֶן	אֶחָד	עַל	שִׁכְמוֹ	לְמִסְפָּר		
of you a stone	every	H5921	upon his shoulder	according unto the number		
H68	H259		H7926	H4557		
שְׁבֵטֵי	בְּנֵי	יִשְׂרָאֵל:				
of the tribes	of the children	of Israel				
H7626	H1121	H3478				