

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

Psalm 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

יְהוָה אֱלֹהִים לְפָנָיו אָמַר
And Joshua unto them Pass over before the ark of the LORD
H3091 H5674 H6440 H727 H3068

אֱלֹהֵיכֶם מִתְּוֹךְ בָּרֶק יְמֹתֶךָ וְאֶל
into the midst of Jordan and take ye up man
H8432 H3383 H7311 H376

לְמִסְפֵּר שְׁכָם וְעַל אֶחָת אֲבִיכֶם
according unto the number upon his shoulder every of you a stone
H4557 H7926 H5921 H259 H68

וְשָׁבְטֵיכֶם בְּנֵי יִשְׂרָאֵל:
of Israel of the children of the tribes
H3478 H1121 H7626

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