

Questions, Reflections & Prayer Points

Now that you've listened to the teaching on Joshua chapter 3 and 4, go through the questions below and use some paper or your computer to write down your answers.

Questions:

1. The Israelites used the rituals of washing and changing clothes to signify their consecration (or sanctification). What do you do to make sure you're cleansed before approaching the Lord?
2. Read Joshua 3:11 once again. What message was God trying to convey to the Israelites by having the Ark of the Covenant go first?
3. What does your answer to the above question teach you about God's promises concerning the battles we face?
4. The Priests carrying the Ark had to step into the water before the miracle of the Jordan River took place. What "step of faith" is God asking you to take?

Reflection:

The Israelite leaders were told to gather rocks from the Jordan as a memorial reminder of God's power and goodness. Take a moment to think about your responsibility to "pass along" remembrances of God's faithfulness to those in your life.

Think about the ways you are 'moving forward' toward the inheritance the Lord has promised you in Ephesians 1:3. Think of how you can do this even more.

Ponder this thought: God brought the Israelites OUT of Egypt that He might bring them IN to the land of promise. In like manner, God has brought you OUT of sin so that He might bring you IN to take hold of His promises by faith.

Prayer Points:

Spend some time cleansing your heart before the Lord and making sure there are no barriers in your relationship with Him.

Ask the Lord if there is anything you're facing that requires a "step of faith" and then ask Him to give you the faith needed.

Spend some time thanking God for His faithfulness and ask Him what kind of "altars of faithfulness" He might have you build so you can be encouraged and encourage others.