

# DAY OF REMEMBRANCE



# WHY A DAY OF REMEMBRANCE?





# 1 Thessalonians 4

<sup>13</sup> We do not want you to be uninformed, brothers and sisters, concerning those who are asleep, so that you will not grieve like the rest, who have no hope. <sup>14</sup> For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, in the same way, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have fallen asleep. <sup>15</sup> For we say this to you by a word from the Lord: We who are still alive at the Lord's coming will certainly not precede those who have fallen asleep.

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<sup>16</sup> For the Lord himself will descend from heaven with a shout,, with the archangel's voice, and with the trumpet of God, and the dead in Christ will rise first. <sup>17</sup> Then we who are still alive, who are left, will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air, and so we will always be with the Lord. <sup>18</sup> Therefore encourage one another with these words....

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# 1 Thessalonians 5

<sup>11</sup> Therefore encourage one another and build each other up as you are already doing.



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# WHY A DAY OF REMEMBRANCE?

- THE ROLE OF THE COMMUNITY

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- THE ROLE OF THE COMMUNITY
- DIVINE PERMISSION TO GRIEVE

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# Luke 22

<sup>14</sup> When the hour came, he reclined at the table, and the apostles with him. <sup>15</sup> Then he said to them, "I have fervently desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer. <sup>16</sup> For I tell you, I will not eat it again until it is fulfilled in the kingdom of God." <sup>17</sup> Then he took a cup, and after giving thanks, he said, "Take this and share it among yourselves. <sup>18</sup> For I tell you, from now on I will not drink of the fruit of the vine until the kingdom of God comes."

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# Luke 22

<sup>19</sup> And he took bread, gave thanks, broke it, gave it to them, and said, "This is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me." <sup>20</sup> In the same way he also took the cup after supper and said, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood, which is poured out for you."

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# WHY A DAY OF REMEMBRANCE?

- THE ROLE OF THE COMMUNITY
- DIVINE PERMISSION TO GRIEVE
- POWER OF REMEMBRANCE/REMINDERS

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# Joshua 4

<sup>1</sup> After the entire nation had finished crossing the Jordan, the Lord spoke to Joshua: <sup>2</sup> “Choose twelve men from the people, one man for each tribe, <sup>3</sup> and command them: Take twelve stones from this place in the middle of the Jordan where the priests are standing, carry them with you, and set them down at the place where you spend the night.”

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# Joshua 4

<sup>4</sup> So Joshua summoned the twelve men he had selected from the Israelites, one man for each tribe, <sup>5</sup> and said to them, "Go across to the ark of the Lord your God in the middle of the Jordan. Each of you lift a stone onto his shoulder, one for each of the Israelite tribes, <sup>6</sup> so that this will be a sign among you.

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## Joshua 4

In the future, when your children ask you, 'What do these stones mean to you?' <sup>7</sup> you should tell them, 'The water of the Jordan was cut off in front of the ark of the Lord's covenant. When it crossed the Jordan, the Jordan's water was cut off.' Therefore these stones will always be a memorial for the Israelites."

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# Joshua 4

<sup>8</sup> The Israelites did just as Joshua had commanded them. The twelve men took stones from the middle of the Jordan, one for each of the Israelite tribes, just as the Lord had told Joshua. They carried them to the camp and set them down there. <sup>9</sup> Joshua also set up twelve stones in the middle of the Jordan where the priests who carried the ark of the covenant were standing. The stones are still there today.

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# Joshua 4

<sup>10</sup> The priests carrying the ark continued standing in the middle of the Jordan until everything was completed that the Lord had commanded Joshua to tell the people, in keeping with all that Moses had commanded Joshua. The people hurried across,  
<sup>11</sup> and after everyone had finished crossing, the priests with the ark of the Lord crossed in the sight of the people.

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# Joshua 4

<sup>12</sup> The Reubenites, Gadites, and half the tribe of Manasseh went in battle formation in front of the Israelites, as Moses had instructed them. <sup>13</sup> About forty thousand equipped for war crossed to the plains of Jericho in the Lord's presence.

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# Joshua 4

<sup>14</sup> On that day the Lord exalted Joshua in the sight of all Israel, and they revered him throughout his life, as they had revered Moses. <sup>15</sup> The Lord told Joshua, <sup>16</sup> "Command the priests who carry the ark of the testimony to come up from the Jordan." <sup>17</sup> So Joshua commanded the priests, "Come up from the Jordan." <sup>18</sup> When the priests carrying the ark of the Lord's covenant came up from the middle of the Jordan, and their feet stepped out on solid ground, the water of the Jordan resumed its course, flowing over all the banks as before.

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# Joshua 4

<sup>19</sup> The people came up from the Jordan on the tenth day of the first month, and camped at Gilgal on the eastern limits of Jericho. <sup>20</sup> Then Joshua set up in Gilgal the twelve stones they had taken from the Jordan, <sup>21</sup> and he said to the Israelites, "In the future, when your children ask their fathers, 'What is the meaning of these stones?' <sup>22</sup> you should tell your children, 'Israel crossed the Jordan on dry ground.'

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# Joshua 4

<sup>23</sup> For the Lord your God dried up the water of the Jordan before you until you had crossed over, just as the Lord your God did to the Red Sea, which he dried up before us until we had crossed over.

<sup>24</sup> This is so that all the peoples of the earth may know that the Lord's hand is strong, and so that you may always fear the Lord your God."

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# MEANING OF THE STONES/BRICKS



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- STACKED STONES



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# Jeremiah 31

<sup>21</sup> Set up road markers for yourself; establish signposts! Keep the highway in mind, the way you have traveled. Return, Virgin Israel! Return to these cities of yours. <sup>22</sup> How long will you turn here and there, faithless daughter? For the Lord creates something new in the land — a female will shelter a man.

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# Jeremiah 31

<sup>23</sup> This is what the Lord of Armies, the God of Israel, says: "When I restore their fortunes, they will once again speak this word in the land of Judah and in its cities: 'May the Lord bless you, righteous settlement, holy mountain.'"<sup>24</sup> Judah and all its cities will live in it together — also farmers and those who move with the flocks — <sup>25</sup> for I satisfy the thirsty person and feed all those who are weak."

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# MEANING OF THE STONES/BRICKS

- STACKED STONES
- ROAD MARKER

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## Deuteronomy 19

<sup>14</sup> “Do not move your neighbor’s boundary marker, established at the start in the inheritance you will receive in the land the Lord your God is giving you to possess.

## Deuteronomy 27

<sup>17</sup> ‘The one who moves his neighbor’s boundary marker is cursed.’ And all the people will say, ‘Amen!’

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# Proverbs 22

<sup>28</sup> Don't move an ancient boundary marker that your ancestors set up.



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# MEANING OF THE STONES/BRICKS

- STACKED STONES
- ROAD MARKER
- BOUNDARY LINE

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# 1 Samuel 7

<sup>12</sup> Afterward, Samuel took a stone and set it upright between Mizpah and Shen. He named it Ebenezer, explaining, "The Lord has helped us to this point."

<sup>13</sup> So the Philistines were subdued and did not invade Israel's territory again. The Lord's hand was against the Philistines all of Samuel's life.

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