Monuments (Week 2)

Joshua 1:2-3

"Moses my servant is dead. Therefore, the time has come for you to lead these people, the Israelites, across the Jordan River into the land I am giving them. I promise you what I promised Moses: 'Wherever you set foot, you will be on land I have given you..."

Joshua 1:5

No one will be able to stand against you as long as you live. For I will be with you as I was with Moses. I will not fail you or abandon you.

Psalms 27:1

The Lord is my light and my salvation — so why should I be afraid? The Lord is my fortress, protecting me from danger, so why should I tremble?

PREPARATION is part of reaching the **DESTINATION**.

My <u>STEPS</u> reveal God's <u>GLORY</u>.

God is always <u>BIGGER</u> than I would imagine.

WAITING will be required.

Joshua 4:18

As soon as the priests carrying the Ark of the Lord's Covenant came up out of the riverbed and their feet were on high ground, the water of the Jordan returned and overflowed its banks as before.

Joshua 4:21-24

Then Joshua said to the Israelites, "In the future your children will ask, 'What do these stones mean?' Then you can tell them, 'This is where the Israelites crossed the Jordan on dry ground.'

For the Lord your God dried up the river right before your eyes, and He kept it dry until you were all across, just as He did at the Red when He

dried it up until we had all crossed over.

He did this so all the nations of the earth might know that the Lord's hand is powerful, and so you might fear the Lord your God forever."

God PROVIDES and we SHARE the story.

Matthew 28:18-20

Jesus came and told his disciples, "I have been given all authority in heaven and on earth. Therefore, go and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit.

Teach these new disciples to obey all the commands I have given you. And be sure of this: I am with you always, even to the end of the age."

Talk it Over:

- 1. Share about a place/location that has a big meaning to you and the story of your life.
- 2. Pastor Jeff said: "Our steps reveal God's glory." Have you ever taken a step of Faith and seen God show up for you? Tell us about it please!
- 3. Read Matthew 28:16-20 together. Share what stands out to you in the text in light of today's message.
- 4. Take some time to share what you feel like God is asking you to trust Him with in your life as we end summer.
- 5. Pray for one another. How can we encourage and lift one another up this week?

Take a Deeper Look:

This section is dedicated to those who want to explore and study the Bible more deeply. Set aside some time with your Bible and a notebook and no distractions (you can use digital devices too - just put 'em in airplane mode for 30 minutes). Read - Think - Pray - write down your thoughts... then do something - GO BE THE CHURCH!

Read Joshua Chapters 3 & 4

- This is a powerful chapter from the New Testament! Highlight, mark,

or underline a specific instructions given. Make a note of your personal thoughts on a few of these. For instance, how would you respond if you were the one who was asked to carry out the task?

- Put it in plain terms. How would you explain the story of these chapters to someone who had never read it before?
- Why do you think they had to stack stones both in the river and at the place where they camped? This isn't a true or false response. Reflect on what you see in the text, consider what you know of the character of God, and think about what you know about people. How do you see God using this for His glory?
- Many people have not taken time to consider how they would tell the story of God's faithfulness in their personal lives. If you haven't before, consider taking some time to write out your testimony of God's work in your life. For that matter, if you've done it before, take some time to rehearse and consider how you can share your story!
- Pray that God would open your eyes and your heart this week to opportunities that might come your way to share what you've learned from this text.

Bible Reading Plans

The Church Has Left the Building

Monument — A 5-Day Devotional With Andrea Olson

Joshua Explained Part 1 | Be Strong & Courageous

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