



JOSHUA - IS YOUR FAITH GOING FORWARD?

The Children of Israel were faced with an impossible situation. Really impossible. How could 2.5 million people (including children and babies), with all their belongings and livestock possibly get across a deep, flooded, fast-flowing river? Humanly speaking, they couldn't. It was quite impossible. But God was with them . . .

Read Joshua 3:1-17

Joshua 3:1-4

1. What did the leaders tell the people to do? Why?

2. *Hebrews 2:18; 4:15-16* How is it that Jesus can show us the way through our problems and temptations?

Joshua 3:5-6

3. What did Joshua tell the people to do? Why?

4. *2 Corinthians 7:1* What are we told to do, as people of God?

Joshua 3:7-8

5. What would the people be looking at as the priests led the way forward?

6. *Hebrews 12:2* What are we advised to do in our daily life? How will this help us?

7. *2 Corinthians 5:7* How does this verse instruct us to live our lives as Christians?

Joshua 3:9-13

8. What were the people to learn that day, that is also found in Isaiah 43:2?

9. How was the faith of the priests going to be tested?

Joshua 3:14-17

10. Why was this not the best time to attempt the crossing of the River Jordan?

11. Hebrews 11:29 tells of the crossing of the Red Sea. How did the Israelites get through and why did the Egyptians not?

Joshua 3:1-17

12. How many times is the Ark of the Covenant mentioned in this chapter?

13. What do you think this shows us?

The End Bit!

How does faith 'go forward'? God tells us to walk by faith and to live by faith – these are pictures of forward movement and growth. When we find ourselves with a problem, we should bring it before the Lord and seek His direction – exercise your faith!

If we fix our eyes on Jesus, as the bible tells us to and seek to do His will in our lives, our faith will go forward.

So what do I have to do?

- Glorify God in all that you do (be the person God wants you to be!)
- Be a good witness to your non-Christian friends
- encourage your Christian friends to grow in their faith as you grow in yours

Verses to remember

“Let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us. Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith.”

Hebrews 12:1b-2a