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## Crossing Our Jordans

### Word

#### Scripture Reference

Joshua 3:1-17

#### Discussion Questions

1. Share an instance where you have been caught in a difficult situation recently.
2. When we are placed in a difficult situation, the Bible teaches us three things that we need to understand:
  - a. *God is with us.* In Joshua 3:1-4, we find the Israelites together with their leader Joshua on the verge of crossing the Jordan River. What are they supposed to focus their attention to? What is the significance of the Ark of the Covenant? What were they instructed to do in verse 4? What does it show us about God and how we are to respond to Him? How must it affect us when we go through any situation in our life?
  - b. *You can trust God and His Words.* In verses 5-13, God gives His instructions on how the Israelites are to prepare themselves before God works His miracle in their midst. What did God ask of the Israelites? How does obeying the instruction to be sanctified show our trust in God? What does it mean to be sanctified? How is your personal sanctification doing?

What did God reveal to Joshua regarding how He will help them cross the Jordan river (v. 8-13)? What are they supposed to do and what did God promise to do when they follow?
  - c. *Your faith in God must result into obedient actions, and that God is the God of the impossible.* In Joshua 3:14-17, in their final test of faith, the Israelites are to turn their faith into actions before they would be able to see God's miracle take place. Why is understanding that faithfulness and obedience

has to take place first before God works His miracle important? How is this contrary to what people demand and ask of God during times of crisis? How did the Israelites respond to God and how did God respond to the Israelites obedience to Him? What does it teach you about taking a step of faith in obedience to God's word? What does this teach you about God?

### Walk

Many times, God places us in difficult situations where we are tested, challenged, and extended to our limits. At all times, we must have the right mindset that God, who can be trusted and relied upon, is always with us wherever we are and whatever we are facing in life. Let us look to Him as our God who is able and faithful to make us overcome our Jordan rivers in life.

### Worship & Prayer

Our gracious and loving heavenly Father, thank you for being with us at all times—when we are enjoying the blessings you've showered upon us and when we are going through things in our lives. Thank you for being the faithful God whom we can trust fully and rely on. We pray that you would empower us to trust in you at all times and that you also enable us to walk in faith and obedience to you at all times. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.