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Crossing the Jordan

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A task to prepare

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Joshua 3:3-4 ESV

Officers to the People: ...“As soon as you see the ark of the covenant of the LORD your God being carried by the Levitical priests, then you shall set out from your place and follow it. ⁴ Yet there shall be a distance between you and it, about 2,000 cubits in length. Do not come near it, in order that you may know the way you shall go, for you have not passed this way before.”

A task to prepare

Joshua 3:5 ESV

Joshua to the People: ...“Consecrate yourselves, for tomorrow the LORD will do wonders among you.”

Joshua 3:6 ESV

Joshua to the Priests: ...“Take up the ark of the covenant and pass on before the people. When you come to the brink of the waters of the Jordan, you shall stand still in the Jordan.”

A task to prepare

Joshua 3:9-12 ESV

Joshua to the People: ...“Come here and listen to the words of the LORD your God. ¹⁰ ...Here is how you shall know that the living God is among you and that he will without fail drive out from before you the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Hivites, the Perizzites, the Girgashites, the Amorites, and the Jebusites. ¹¹ Behold, the ark of the covenant of the Lord of all the earth is passing over before you into the Jordan. ¹² Now therefore take twelve men from the tribes of Israel, from each tribe a man.”

A promise to trust

Joshua 3:4 ESV

“...Do not come near it, in order that you may know the way you shall go, for you have not passed this way before.”

Joshua 3:5 ESV

“...for tomorrow the LORD will do wonders among you.”

Joshua 3:7 ESV

“Today I will begin to exalt you in the sight of all Israel, that they may know that, as I was with Moses, so I will be with you.”

A promise to trust

Joshua 3:10 ESV

“...he will without fail drive out from before you...”

Joshua 3:13 ESV

“...the waters of the Jordan shall be cut off from flowing, and the waters coming down from above shall stand in one heap.”

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Duty often calls us to take one step without knowing how we shall take the next; but if brought thus far by the leadings of Providence, and while engaged in his service, we may safely leave the event to him.

George Bush, *Notes on Joshua*

A presence to dwell

Joshua 3:3 ESV

“...the ark of the covenant of the LORD your God...” (10x)

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A power to accomplish

Joshua 3:15-17 ESV

and as soon as those bearing the ark had come as far as the Jordan, and the feet of the priests bearing the ark were dipped in the brink of the water (now the Jordan overflows all its banks throughout the time of harvest), ¹⁶ the waters coming down from above stood and rose up in a heap very far away, at Adam, the city that is beside Zarethan, and those flowing down toward the Sea of the Arabah, the Salt Sea, were completely cut off. And the people passed over opposite Jericho. ¹⁷ Now the priests bearing the ark of the covenant of the Lord stood firmly on dry ground in the midst of the Jordan, and all Israel was passing over on dry ground until all the nation finished passing over the Jordan.

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Divine Enablement

Him we proclaim, warning everyone and teaching everyone with all wisdom, that we may present everyone mature in Christ.

²⁹ For this I toil, **struggling with all his energy that he powerfully works within me.**

Colossians 1:28-29 ESV

The background of the slide is a photograph of a vast, misty mountain range. The mountains are covered in dense, low-lying vegetation, and the air is thick with fog or mist, creating a sense of depth and mystery. A winding road is visible in the distance, leading the eye into the landscape. The overall color palette is muted, with various shades of brown, tan, and grey.

Divine Enablement

Therefore, my beloved, as you have always obeyed, so now, not only as in my presence but much more in my absence, **work out your own salvation** with fear and trembling, ¹³ for **it is God who works in you**, both to will and to work for his good pleasure.

Philippians 2:12-13 ESV



Divine Enablement

For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, ⁹ not a result of works, so that no one may boast. ¹⁰ For we are **his workmanship**, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which **God prepared** beforehand, that **we should walk in them**.

Ephesians 2:8-10 ESV



Divine Enablement


For if you live according to the flesh you will die, but if **by the Spirit you put to death** the deeds of the body, you will live.

Romans 8:13 ESV

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When God applies His word to our lives in regard to something He is calling us to do, we must begin to do it, in the strength that He supplies, as soon as we can. Our temptation is to wait and then ask for further light, without acting on the light He has already given us.

David Jackman, *Joshua: People of God's Purpose*

A misty, mountainous landscape with a winding road. The scene is hazy and atmospheric, with rolling hills and a narrow path that disappears into the distance. The colors are muted, with soft greys, browns, and blues. The text is centered over the middle of the image.

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