

JOSHUA | A Memorial Forever | [Joshua 4:1-5:12](#)

What stories were passed down to you by parents and other family members that seemed important to them for you to know?

Read Joshua 4:1-24. What audiences was this miraculous crossing meant for? (See verses 6, 7, 11, 24, and **5:1**.) What does this tell us about the plans of the Lord?

In what two ways did Joshua commemorate the crossing of the Jordan? Why do you think he did both? What was the significance of taking exactly twelve stones from the riverbed of the Jordan?

How does Joshua explain to the Israelite people the purpose of the twelve stones in verses 20-24? Why is it important for this new nation?

What additional purpose did God accomplish through this miracle according to verse 14? Why do you think this will be significant in the months to come?

What spiritual markers in your life do you want to pass along to your children? How have you (or how will you) shared these milestones?

Read Joshua 5:1-12. Notice that before God sends the warriors to take over the promised land, there are several spiritual matters to attend to first: renewal of circumcision (5:1-9), celebration of the Passover (5:10), switching from manna to the land's produce (5:11-12).

Why did Joshua re-instate circumcision? Why do you think the Israelites had ceased circumcision of males in Egypt and while wandering in the desert?

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To learn more about the importance of circumcision and the connection with the land of Canaan, see [Genesis 17:7-11](#).

This is only the third time that the Israelites have observed the Passover ([Exodus 12](#), [Numbers 9:1-5](#)) and each held special meaning. What is the significance of the Passover at this time (see verse 10)?

What is the big transition in God's provision that occurs in [Joshua 5:11-12](#)? What does this mean for the Israelites?

What sticks with you the most from these two chapters? How can you apply this in your life?

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JOSHUA: Overview

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Pray for global workers, Bo and Lauren, that they will have wisdom and success in finding a Christian community in their new city.

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