

CROSSING OVER

Joshua 3:1-6, 14-17

[Intro] What is the big idea that resonates through the Book of Joshua? (**Joshua 1:1-2, 6-9**)
What spiritual lessons does it give to the church?

[Exposition] What is involved in having real faith in a real God in our real life?

I. _____ (**Joshua 3:1-2**)

What's God's purpose in making the people of Israel **wait for 3 days**? (See also Romans 10:17) — How does it relate to your relationship with Him today?

II. _____ (**Joshua 3:3-4**)

Study *how* the Israelites were commanded to **follow the Ark of the Covenant** — and discuss what it teaches us about **following Jesus**.

III. _____ (**Joshua 3:5**)

Study **verse 5** carefully. ^[1] What is the relationship between “the order” and “the promise”? ^[2] What does it mean to “sanctify yourselves”? — Read also Exodus 19:10-14 & Colossians 3:9-10.

[Takeaway]

IV. _____ (**Joshua 3:6, 14-17**)

If you claim to be saved in the past, are you **being saved** today? **Does your faith work today?**
— Review the three previous steps above and take a moment to pray that you would cross over by faith to the point you obey the Word in spite of consequence.