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(19) The people came up out of the Jordan on the tenth day of the first month, and they encamped at Gilgal on the east border of Jericho. (20) And those twelve stones, which they took out of the Jordan, Joshua set up at Gilgal.

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(21) And he said to the people of Israel, “When your children ask their fathers in times to come, ‘What do these stones mean?’ (22) then you shall let your children know, ‘Israel passed over this Jordan on dry ground.’

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**(23) For the LORD your God dried up the waters of the Jordan for you until you passed over, as the LORD your God did to the Red Sea, which he dried up for us until we passed over,
(24) so that all the peoples of the earth may know that the hand of the LORD is mighty, that you may fear the LORD your God forever.”**

Monuments





Crossing the Jordan

- **Joshua Succeeded Moses**
 - **Divine Commission**
 - *Be strong and courageous, for you shall cause this people to inherit the land that I swore to their fathers to give them. (1:6)*
 - **Careful Implementation**
 - **Strategic Planning**
 - **Spiritual Cleansing**

Crossing the Jordan

- **Affirmation from God**

- *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. And as for you, command the priests who bear the ark of the covenant, 'When you come to the brink of the waters of the Jordan, you shall stand still in the Jordan.'* (3:7-8)

Crossing the Jordan

- **Back by a Miracle**

- *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, 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. (3:15-16)*

Setting the Monuments

- **Stones from the Epicenter**
 - *Take twelve men from the people, from each tribe a man, and command them, saying, 'Take twelve stones from here out of the midst of the Jordan, from the very place where the priests' feet stood firmly, and bring them over with you and lay them down in the place where you lodge tonight. (4:1-2)*

Setting the Monuments

- **The Monument at Gilgal**
 - *The people came up out of the Jordan on the tenth day of the first month, and they encamped at Gilgal on the east border of Jericho. And those twelve stones, which they took out of the Jordan, Joshua set up at Gilgal. (4:19-20)*

Setting the Monuments

- **Objective of the Monument**
 - *This may be a sign among you. When your children ask in time to come, ‘What do those stones mean to you?’ then you shall tell them that the waters of the Jordan were cut off before the ark of the covenant of the LORD. When it passed over the Jordan, the waters of the Jordan were cut off. So these stones shall be to the people of Israel a memorial forever. (4:6-7)*

Telling the Story

- **The Significance of Monument**

- **More Than Just a Rear Mirror**

- *You shall let your children know, ‘Israel passed over this Jordan on dry ground.’ For the LORD your God dried up the waters of the Jordan for you until you passed over, as the LORD your God did to the Red Sea, which he dried up for us until we passed over. (4:23)*

Telling the Story

- **The Significance of Monument**
 - **A Compass for a God-Oriented Life**
 - *So that all the peoples of the earth may know that the hand of the LORD is mighty, that you may fear the LORD your God forever. (v.24)*
 - **Remembering the Miracle, Revering God**

