



# THE PEOPLE CROSS THE RIVER



## JOSHUA 3-4

Joshua and the people got ready to travel to the new land God had chosen for them. Now they were at the Jordan River. The people stopped to camp for three days.

The leaders in the camp gave the people instructions for crossing the river. Then Joshua told the people to be ready to see the wonderful things God would do.

Joshua said to the people, "Listen to the words of God. You will know He is near and He will help you cross the river."

When it was time, priests carried the ark that held the Ten Commandments. When the priests reached the edge of the water, God made the water become still. Then God made the ground dry so the priests, then all the rest of the people, could walk across the river to the other side.

After all the people were safely across, God told Joshua to choose twelve men and tell them to get twelve large stones from the river. The men were to take the stones to the camp that night.

Joshua obeyed, and the men took the stones to the camp and set them down. Joshua also set up twelve stones. The stones were to help the people remember God is mighty.

When everything was done as God said, Joshua, the people, and the priests crossed to the land. Then God made the water in the river flow again.

Everyone knew that God helped Joshua know what to do. The people knew God was with them and helped them.