

Session 1 – Joshua 1:1 – 2:24

COURAGEOUS

Session 2 - Joshua 3:1 - 17

CONSECRATED

Session 3 – Joshua 4:1 – 5:15

REMEMBERING

In our journey with God

the most powerful word is . . .

REMEMBER

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REMEMBERING

- **God's past faithfulness**
 - **God's promises are sure**
 - **God always keeps His promises**
 - **God will never ever leave you**

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REMEMBERING

What has God done in your life that reminds you of God's faithfulness?

(video)

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REMEMBERING

...it's a God-given command

[Exo 20:24 ESV]

*“An altar of earth you shall make for me and sacrifice on it your burnt offerings and your peace offerings, your sheep and your oxen. **In every place where I cause my name to be remembered I will come to you and bless you.**”*

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REMEMBERING

...it's a God-given command

Deu 27:2-3 ESV

*And on the day you cross over the Jordan to the land that the LORD your God is giving you, you shall set up large stones ...when you cross over to enter the land that the LORD your God is giving you, a land flowing with milk and honey, **as the LORD, the God of your fathers, has promised you.***

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REMEMBERING

...it's a God-given command

[Jos 4:7 ESV]

*...When your children ask in time to come, ...'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.***

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REMEMBERING

...“stones of remembrance”

Not only a reminder to Israel...

But a witness to the world.

Psalm 114

When Israel went out from Egypt,

*the house of Jacob from a people of strange language,
Judah became His sanctuary, Israel His dominion.*

The sea looked and fled; Jordan turned back.

The mountains skipped like rams, the hills like lambs.

What ails you, O sea, that you flee? O Jordan, that you turn back?

O mountains, that you skip like rams? O hills, like lambs?

Tremble, O earth, at the presence of the Lord,

at the presence of the God of Jacob,

who turns the rock into a pool of water,

the flint into a spring of water.

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REMEMBERING

First of two sets of stones ...

- **12 men, 12 tribes, one stone each**
 - **Removed from dried up river bed**
 - **Set in Gilgal meaning “to roll”**
the place of deliverance

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REMEMBERING

Second of two sets of stones ...

- **One man, Joshua, handled**
 - **12 stones set in Jordan river bed**
 - **In the place the priests stood**

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REMEMBERING

Two sets of stones...

- **Two New Testament sacraments**
 - **Baptism**
 - **Communion**

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REMEMBERING

Two sets of stones ...

- **Two New Testament sacraments**
 - **Having died with Christ** (Col 2:20)
 - **Having been raised with Him**

(Col 3:1)

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REMEMBERING

1 Peter 2:5

As you come to him, a living stone rejected by men but in the sight of God chosen and precious, you yourselves like living stones are being built up as a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ.

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REMEMBERING

They “passed over” on ...

- **The 10th day of the 1st month**
- **The 1st “Day of Preparation” for
40th anniversary of Passover**

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REMEMBERING

Following without remembering...

- **40 years not commemorating Passover**
 - **40 years without circumcision**

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PREPAIRING

Circumcision: the “reproach of Egypt”...

**A Distinguishing mark of the Egyptian
ruling class.**

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PREPAIRING

Circumcision: the “reproach of Egypt”...

**For Israel it was a token of his
relationship with God.**

Genesis 17: 4, 8, 10, 14

*"Behold, my covenant is with you, and you shall be the father of a multitude of nations. ...And I will give to you and to your offspring after you the land of your sojourning's, all the land of Canaan, for an everlasting possession, and I will be their God."...This is my covenant, which you shall keep, between me and you and your offspring after you: Every male among you shall be circumcised. ...**Any uncircumcised male who is not circumcised in the flesh of his foreskin shall be cut off from his people; he has broken my covenant.**"*

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PREPAIRING

Circumcision: the “reproach of Egypt”...

Lacking it, no Israelite could eat the

Passover.

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PREPAIRING

“Though all the people who came out had been circumcised, yet all the people who were born on the way in the wilderness after they had come out of Egypt had not been circumcised”.

[Jos 5:5 ESV]

Exodus 12: 43 - 48

*"And the LORD said to Moses and Aaron, "This is the statute of the Passover: no foreigner shall eat of it, but every slave that is bought for money may eat of it **after you have circumcised him**. No foreigner or hired worker may eat of it. It shall be eaten In one house; you shall not take any of the flesh outside the house, and you shall not break any of its bones.*

Exodus 12: 43 - 48

*If a stranger shall sojourn with you and would keep the Passover to the LORD, **let all his males be circumcised. Then** he may come near and keep it; he shall be as a native of the land. But **no uncircumcised person shall eat of it.***

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PREPAIRING

2nd Passover: (1st time at Sinai - Num 9:5)

“While the people of Israel were encamped at Gilgal, they kept the Passover on the fourteenth day of the month in the evening on the plains of Jericho”.

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PREPAIRING

2nd Passover: (1st time at Sinai - Num 9:5)

“You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.”

[Psa 23:5 ESV]

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PREPAIRING

2nd Passover: (1st time at Sinai - Num 9:5)

“And the manna ceased the day after they ate of the produce of the land. And there was no longer manna for the people of Israel, but they ate of the fruit of the land of Canaan that year.

[Jos 5:12 ESV]

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PREPAIRING

The Real Commander:

***“As Captain of the Host of the Lord I
am now come...”***

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PREPAIRING

The Real Commander:

“And Joshua fell on his face to the earth and did worship...”

(Angels are not to be worshipped)

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PREPAIRING

The Real Commander:

“Take off your sandals from your feet, for the place where you are standing is holy.”

And Joshua did so.

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PREPAIRING

**We are engaged in a warfare. We must be
spiritually prepared if we are to be
successful for His name.**

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Like Joshua, we have already been given our inheritance, yet we must overcome the enemy in order to claim it for ourselves and enjoy it.

Deuteronomy 30: 5-6

*And the LORD your God will bring you into the land that your fathers possessed, that you may possess it. And he will make you more prosperous and numerous than your fathers. **And the LORD your God will circumcise your***

heart and the heart of your offspring, so that you

will love the LORD your God with all your heart

and with all your soul, that you may live.

Romans 2: 29

*But a Jew is one inwardly, and **circumcision is a matter of the heart, by the Spirit**, not by the letter. His praise is not from man but from God.*

Ephesians 2: 11-19

Therefore, remember that at one time you Gentiles in the flesh, called "the uncircumcision" by what is called the circumcision, which is made in the flesh by hands-- remember that you were at that time separated from Christ, alienated from the commonwealth of Israel and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ.

Ephesians 2: 11-19

***For he himself is our peace**, who has made us both one and has broken down in his flesh the dividing wall of hostility by abolishing the law of commandments expressed in ordinances, that he might create in himself one new man in place of the two, so making peace, and might **reconcile us both to God in one body through the cross**, thereby killing the hostility.*

Ephesians 2: 11-19

*And he came and preached peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near. For **through him we both have access in one Spirit to the Father.** So, then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but **you are fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God,***

Jeremiah 9: 25-26

*"Behold, the days are coming, declares the LORD, when I will punish **all those who are circumcised merely in the flesh**-- Egypt, Judah, Edom, the sons of Ammon, Moab, and all who dwell in the desert who cut the corners of their hair, for all these nations are uncircumcised, and all the house of Israel are uncircumcised in heart."*



Jordan = "Down from Dan"

Both Joshua parted the Jordan and crossed on dry ground.

Elijah/Elisha parted the Jordan and crossed on dry ground.

Naaman was cleansed of leprosy.

Place of John the Baptist and Jesus was baptized