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## JOSHUA No.4 **CROSSING THE JORDAN**



### JOSHUA 3:1-5

*Ch.2 brings good news, a good report; they can take the land. They will cross the Jordan river, when it is at its fullest (vs.15); but not quite yet!*

#### **1. Camp before crossing over. (vs.1)**

Ps.37:7 Be still before the Lord and wait patiently for him.

Ps.40:1 I waited patiently for the Lord and He heard my cry.

Acts 1:4 Do not leave Jerusalem but wait for the gift my Father promised.

#### **2. Watch for the move of God. (vs.3)**

The Ark symbolised the presence of God; they were to keep their eyes on it. Therefore keep your spiritual eyes open.

The people knew nothing of God's plan to take Jericho + the land. But God knew his own plan.

God had a higher agenda and God will always work according to his own agenda.

Today we're seeing a tremendous move of the Holy Spirit.

John 16:8 = Holy Spirit's agenda - to convict the world of guilt in regard to sin, righteousness and judgement.

Acts 1:8 ..but you will receive power.... witnesses.

John 16:13 ...He will lead us into all truth.

God is equipping his children to do the work he has called us to do... to take our localities for Him.

**WE MUST MOVE WHEN HE SAYS SO !!**

### **3. Leave your positions and follow. (vs.3)**

In other words start to take a few risks, both as a church and as individuals.

Dt. 32:11 ..like an eagle that stirs up its nest and hovers over its young, that spreads its wings to catch them and carries them on its pinions.

Is.30:21 whether you turn to the right or to the left, your ears will hear a voice behind you, saying "this is the way, walk in it. "

Therefore we must expect God to do something different with us and be prepared for Him to launch us into something new !

### **4. You will know which way to go as you have never been this way before. (vs.4)**

God is doing something new in these days... **LET'S NOT THINK THAT WE'VE BEEN THERE BEFORE !!**

God will lead those who are willing to be lead along new avenues of experience and challenge that will effect their whole lives.

### **5. Keep a distance between you and the ark. (vs.4)**

Remember our God is a consuming fire and will share his glory with no-one else. Let's revere him.

### **6. Consecrate yourselves. (vs.5)**

ie. Set yourselves on the altar totally surrendered for God to use, or not use, as and when He likes.

### **7. Tomorrow the Lord will do amazing things among you. (vs.5)**

God is going to perform the miracles that He has planned that will surprise us so all we can do is to prepare ourselves.