

Series: THRIVE2025!

Title: Essentials for Victorious Living

Text: Joshua 5

The Miracle of the Crossing: (Ch 3)

- A. The People were Sanctified: (Vs 1-5)
- B. Joshua was Magnified: (Vs 6-8)
- C. The Lord was Glorified: (Vs 9-13)
- D. The Word was Verified: (Vs 14-17)

The Memorials of the Crossing: (Ch 4)

- 1. One Pile of Stones by Tribesmen: (Vs 1-8)
- 2. One Pile of Stones by Joshua: (Vs 9)
- 3. Both Evidenced Israel's Miracle Crossing: (Vs 20-24)
 - a. In Jordan: Pictured the Death & Burial of Christ.
 - b. Gilgal: Pictured The Resurrection of Christ.

First Settle This: Salvation: (Ch 3-4) Pictures Salvation
(Rom 10:9-13) Repent, Believe, Receive.

Essential 1: You must cross over the Jordan River: (Vs 1)

- A. You have to Decide you want it!** (John 10:10)
 - 1. The Israel crossed over Jordan by the power of God.
 - a. God is no respecter of persons: (Explain)(Ro 2:11)
 - b. God can't Lie: (Tit 1:2)(Num 23:19**)
 - 2. The result: Demoralized & Paralyzed the enemy.
 - a. Satan afraid you'll figure out resist: (James 4:7)

Essential 2: You Must Pick a Side: (Vs 2-9) Circumcision.

- A. Joshua obeyed God: (Vs 2-3)**
- B. The Reasons for the circumcision (Vs 5-7)**
- C. We are called to Pick a Side:**
 - 1. Baptism is Our Identifying Mark: (Col 2:11-12)

2. Our Doctrine is Our Identifying Mark: (Acts 18-19)

D. A Test of Faith: (Vs 8) An Incapacitated Army:

- 1. Ask God to Give you the Strength (Eph 6:10)
- 2. (Vs 9) To Roll away the "Reproach of Egypt":

Essential 3: Remember the Passover: (Vs 10)

Salvation Freed us from the Penalty of Sin. (Col 1:13)

A. Essential you Remember your Value!

- 1. (1 Pet 2:24, 3:18)(Rom 5:6-8) (Rom 8:1-4)(Jn 19:30)

B. You have Value, & You have Purpose: (Ecc 9:4)

Essential 4: Celebrate the Feast of Unleavened Bread: (Vs 11)

A. Essential You remember You have a Choice!

- (Rom 6:1-2; 12-14)(Rom 13:11-14)

Essential 5: Remember Who is Boss

- A. Joshua's encounter while near Jericho to plan & pray.
 - 1. Looked up, faced a man with a drawn sword:
 - a. Jesus is a Warrior God.
 - b. (Rev 2:12, 16),(Rev 19:15, 21)
 - 2. Asked wrong Question.
God is always For us. (Ps 118:6)(Rom 8:31)
(Ex 32:26) "Who is on the Lord's Side?"
 - 3. Man's identity as "captain of the LORD's host"
- B. Joshua's response
 - 1. Fell on face in submission & reverence(Acts 2:36)
 - 2. Joshua Asked for a message from His LORD.
- C. The LORD's message of assurance:
You are in His Presence: As Was Moses.
The promised land is holy (His land);
Therefore victory is assured: Paul (Acts 9:6)