CROSSING THE JORDAN
Leaving a Legacy of Faith
Joshua 3-4

INSTRUCTIONS: THESE QUESTIONS ARE INTENDED TO ENCOURAGE US TO THINK MORE DEEPLY ABOUT OUR FAITH IN VIEW OF THE SERMON. YOU MAY NOT GET TO EVERY QUESTION. ONE QUESTION MAY PROMPT OTHER FOLLOW-UP QUESTIONS OR CAUSE A LARGER DISCUSSION. OUR PURPOSE ISN'T TO "DISCUSS THE SERMON" SO MUCH AS IT IS TO TAKE OUR CONSIDERATION OF THE PASSAGE DEEPER SO THAT WE CAN LIVE CHANGED LIVES.

ICE BREAKER QUESTION

What was one Christmas tradition that you remember your parents doing that you loved—and one that you hated?

ACCOUNTABILITY QUESTIONS

How are you making sure this season is about Jesus and not presents or Santa?

UNDERSTANDING QUESTIONS

1. Read through Joshua 3 and 4. What stands out to you and why?

2. Read Joshua 3:7-13. How many times is it mentioned that God is present? The people of Israel had been wandering about in the wilderness for 40 years and finally are being allowed to cross over into the promised land. Why is it important to them that God will be with them? It is important for you to know that God is with you?

3. Re-read Joshua 3:14-17. It is interesting that God again parts the waters to show His people that He is with them. Why do you think it is significant that, once again, Israel stepped through a body of water on dry ground?

4. Imagine that you were just one of the people of Israel that was passing by on dry ground. You see the water piling up. You hear the rushing waters colliding with the invisible barrier that God is making. The dry ground crunches under your feet. You hear the murmurs of those around you chattering about the sight to be seen. What are you feeling in that moment?

5. Re-read Joshua 4:1-7. Why is it important that each tribe was represented by the stones? In what ways have you set up things to remember in your life?

6. What is one way that you can set up a legacy of faith personally? Is there anything in your life right now that you are leaving a legacy of that you shouldn't? What would it look like to change that?