

SERMON NOTES

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MESSAGE: TOMORROW, THE LORD WILL DO AMAZING THINGS

Scripture Reference: Joshua 3:1-5 (NIV)

Early in the morning Joshua and all the Israelites set out from Shittim and went to the Jordan, where they camped before crossing over. 2 After three days the officers went throughout the camp, 3 giving orders to the people: “When you see the ark of the covenant of the Lord your God, and the Levitical priests carrying it, you are to move out from your positions and follow it. 4 Then you will know which way to go, since you have never been this way before. But keep a distance of about two thousand cubits^{1a} between you and the ark; do not go near it.” 5 Joshua told the people, “Consecrate yourselves, for tomorrow the Lord will do amazing things among you.”

1. Seek the Presence of the Lord
2. Follow the leading of God's Spirit
3. Allow Holy Spirit to direct you on what you should do and on which way to go
4. Come boldly into the throne room of God through the finished work of the cross of Jesus
5. Consecrate yourself, and expect the Lord to do amazing things

We need to be expectant as we fast and pray this month!

As we are praying these next two weeks, we need to:

1. **Follow God's divine guidance: John 16:13**
 - a. Holy Spirit was given to us to lead us in the right direction.
 - b. We need to spend time with Him, seeking His direction.
 - c. We need to ask our Heavenly Father to make us more sensitive to the leading of the Holy Spirit.
2. **Understand the necessity of being separated from the world**
 - a. We need to purge ourselves daily of the impurities of the world - the world's way of thinking and doing.
 - b. Fasting is a way of denying the flesh and all its cravings, and feeding the spirit man through reading the word of God and being in prayer.
3. **Trust God for miraculous victories over impossible obstacles**
 - a. God can move every obstacle in your lives.
 - i. **Psalm 18:29** - “With your help I can advance against a troop; with my God I can scale a wall.”
 - ii. **Joshua 1:9** - “Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go.”
 - iii. **Romans 8:31** - “If God is for us, who can be against us?”

- b. We need to put on the glasses of the Holy Spirit so that we can see clearly what the Lord is doing in the realm of the invisible.

- c. **Obstacles for you are not obstacles for the Lord**

1. Peter's obstacle was the raging water - God miraculously had him walk on water (**Matthew 14:22-23**).
2. Moses' obstacle was the Red Sea - God miraculously had him part the sea (**Exodus 14:21-28**).
3. In **Joshua 3**, we see God again move an obstacle from the path of His people.
4. What obstacles do you and I need the Lord to move from our paths?

4. Align with God's Will

- a. **Thy kingdom come - Your rule, Your authority be done.**

- b. **Thy Will be done** - Jesus said - "take this cup from me; yet not my will, but yours be done."

Sometimes we pray from a place of *our will be done* and not from a place of, *Father, your will be done*. Some things we do not want to submit to the will of God for the hour that we are in. Sometimes, the Lord takes us through rough terrains, and it is not an easy time or comfortable feeling.

- c. Sometimes we want to tell God what to do and not listen to what He is telling us to do.
- d. We live in a society where people want to "call the shots", and live un-submissive to the Lord's reign and rule; and yet not suffer any consequences.
- e. This is why we need to repent of our sins and the sins of this land, so that healing and revival of the land will come.

5. Prepare ourselves spiritually!

- a. **Joshua 3:1 (KJV)** "And Joshua rose early in the morning; and they removed from Shittim and came to the Jordan, he and all the children of Israel, and lodged there before they passed over."

1. Joshua displayed an eagerness to move from the old ways.

- i. In 2026, we need to be eager to move from the ways of the flesh to the ways of the spirit - if we are willing, God will help us.

- b. The Jordan River represents barriers before you and me - physical or spiritual.

- c. Camping at the Jordan - before confronting the impossible.

- i. **Pause - do not be quick to react.**

- Pray in the spirit
 - Worship the Lord
 - Wait to hear from God

- ii. **Prepare - do not rush in.**

- Read and meditate on the Word of God.
 - Strengthen your faith by hearing God's Word.
 - Come in agreement with God's Word - Declare and Decree what God has said.

- iii. **Consecrate - spend time with God, allowing yourself to sanctify in His presence and by His Word.**

- Fast
 - Repent → breakthrough
 - Seek God by spending time in His presence (Cast your eyes upon Jesus)

6. Step out in faith believing that tomorrow, the Lord will do amazing things!