

Conquering MY Jericho

Week 3: Cross the river

Focus Text: Joshua 3

You've considered the challenge and decided to move in a certain direction. Now, it's about taking that first step to deal with your Jericho. However, before you start scaling walls, there may be a series of limitations or constraints in front of you. Joshua and the people of Israel had to ford the Jordan before they could even begin the attack on the walled city in front of them.

The lessons they learned in crossing the river equipped them to be able to carry on. However, it also provided a series of lessons that would allow them to fully enter the Promised Land. Let's explore the ways God is calling you to step from the banks of the flooded river that may be keeping you from your Jericho. Don't just put your toe into the river. Step in and cross it.

Before we begin this week, are you beginning to pinpoint a promise, place, or a problem that feels like a Jericho in your life? This may be coming into view or you may have determined it. We'll continue to start each week's lesson with this question to continue allowing you to bring your Jericho into focus. *What's your Jericho?*

NOW, READ ALL OF JOSHUA 3 BEFORE BEGINNING THE QUESTIONS.

Step 1: Fall back (Joshua 3:3-4)

Study questions:

Can you describe a time where you have allowed God to lead in a way where you've been able to see His glory on full display?

Flip the question. Have there been instances in your life where you have powered ahead of God and seen the consequences of not allowing Him to lead?

What are the areas of your life (business, family, relationships) where you need His protection more than ever?

Step 2: Face the limitations (Joshua 3: 14-16)

As you think about the steps that you need to take to cross the river, can you create a list of the reasons that would keep you from crossing over into the space where you could conquer your Jericho? Be specific. What is holding you back?

Can you describe a time in your life where God held back the floodwaters from overwhelming you? What was it? Are you drowning right now?

What is an example where reputational risk kept you from acting? What were you afraid of?

Step 3: Follow through completely (Joshua 3:17)

Can you give an example where you started following through with an aspect of your calling and stopped? Why did you stop?

Did you finally proceed or did you turn around and go back to the banks of the river? Why?

What is holding you back from allowing God to be the bridge that will carry you over the river?