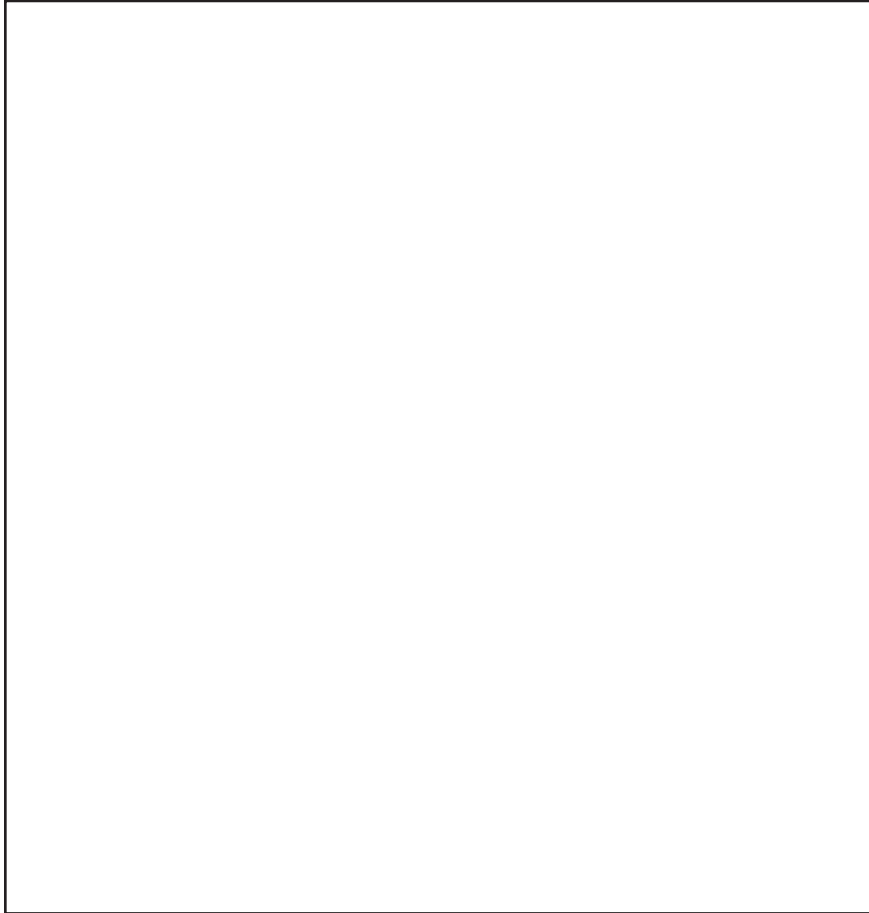


Joshua Takes Over

Joshua 3



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Moses led the Children of Israel through the wilderness for 40 years. He handed over leadership to Joshua to take them into the Promised Land. The People who were living there at that time did bad things and worshipped idols.



When they heard that the Children of Israel were coming they thought they could not get to the Promised Land because the River Jordan was flooding. There were no bridges. But, some of them remembered that Moses had parted the

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Joshua came to the River Jordan. He had an army of 40,000 and the Ark of the Covenant.* There was no way to get across! So Joshua did the same thing that Moses had done. He prayed.

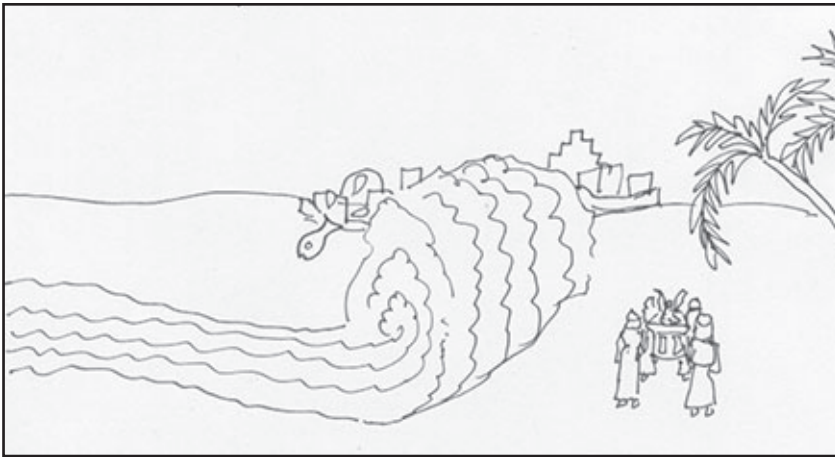


God told Joshua to have the priests who were carrying the Ark of the Covenant walk right into the river. As soon as they stepped in, the water upstream started to pile up!

* What was in the Ark of the Covenant?
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Joshua had the Ark of the Covenant go way ahead. Everyone else followed it. What does that symbolize? _____

The priests carrying the Ark of the Covenant walked to the middle of the dry riverbed and waited there while the Children of Israel walked across. When everyone was across they carried the Ark the rest of the way. Then the river went back into its riverbed!



So God helped the Children of Israel.

1. They followed God's word.
2. They listened for His direction.
3. They obeyed what He told them.