

Title: God Needs You - Joshua 3 9-17

Read:

⁹⁻¹³ Then Joshua addressed the People of Israel: "Attention! Listen to what GOD, your God, has to say. This is how you'll know that God is alive among you—he will completely dispossess before you the Canaanites, Hittites, Hivites, Perizzites, Girgashites, Amorites, and Jebusites. Look at what's before you: the Chest of the Covenant. Think of it—the Master of the entire earth is crossing the Jordan as you watch. Now take twelve men from the tribes of Israel, one man from each tribe. When the soles of the feet of the priests carrying the Chest of GOD, Master of all the earth, touch the Jordan's water, the flow of water will be stopped—the water coming from upstream will pile up in a heap."¹⁴⁻¹⁶ And that's what happened. The people left their tents to cross the Jordan, led by the priests carrying the Chest of the Covenant. When the priests got to the Jordan and their feet touched the water at the edge (the Jordan overflows its banks throughout the harvest), the flow of water stopped. It piled up in a heap—a long way off—at Adam, which is near Zarethan. The river went dry all the way down to the Arabah Sea (the Salt Sea). And the people crossed, facing Jericho.¹⁷ And there they stood; those priests carrying the Chest of the Covenant stood firmly planted on dry ground in the middle of the Jordan while all Israel crossed on dry ground. Finally the whole nation was across the Jordan, and not one wet foot.

Think:

How many times do we see God ask people to believe in him and step out. Sometimes literally as in this time or even Moses and the Red Sea. But God also asks us to trust him and step out often in our daily lives as well. What do you mean he doesn't ask you? How about times when you think it would be great to do something, but you justify to yourself that it is impossible? Maybe you think, that someone should do something about a problem in the world, but justify to yourself that the problem is too big for you to deal with. Maybe you think God needs to be involved at your school or college more, but only if you had another Christian to help. Well, lets look at who God chooses to do his work, when he has a really big problem. He seems to pick someone to stand up and change things for him who has to rely on Gods strength. He asked Moses a murderer, and a man with a stutter to lead his people out of Egypt. He asked a small boy call David to kill the Giant Goliath. He asked a non believer called Paul to spread the word about Jesus. He asked all these people and more to step out and believe that God could help them change the world. So what has God asked you to do, that you are going to have to trust him for? If God can dry up rivers and seas then he can remove any fears that you have. But he does need you to step forward and believe in Him.

Pray:

Lord I do believe that you are the God of the possible, Father help me to see that you are also the God of the impossible. Amen.

Action:

Go on dream big, ask God for a mission and ask God for the strength to achieve that mission. Dream big, Pray big, and then act with your big Gods strength. Bye