

“NOW TRUST ME!”

JOSHUA 3-4

The primary emphasis in this miracle of crossing the Jordan River is its fascination with the “Ark of the Covenant.” You simply cannot walk away from a reading of Joshua 3 & 4 without an awesome appreciation for this mobile dwelling place of God, a position which He maintains throughout the Old Testament with His people.

GOD ACTIVELY AND ADEQUATELY LEADS US ASSUREDLY ALONG THE WAY

① Actively

The beauty of Scripture assures ___/___ vision. It’s not some archaic book of irrelevant times. Its *real* people living before a *real* God in *real* life situations for our ultimate instruction as God actively leads.

Are you incredibly grateful for the active presence of God via the written _____ of God and via the indwelling _____ of God?

② Adequately

This truth points us to the _____ of Scripture (2 Peter 1:2-4). No matter where you are, whatever the trial or difficulty or circumstance or heartache or dilemma or situation or challenge, His Word is sufficient!

③ Leads

During this miracle, the carriers receive less attention and the Ark receives more attention. Significance is switched from _____ they are to _____ they are carrying. Indeed, it’s all about God!

④ Assuredly

A main thrust in this miracle is upon _____. The Ark, which led the way, stood still in the midst of the Jordan River until all passed safely through. So too, God stands with us, at times carrying us when our strength is gone.

⑤ The Way

The Promise Keeper was with them as they tiptoed on the edge of the Promised Land! So too, the Promise Keeper is still with His children. The Promised Land He leads you on is the way toward _____.

CONCLUSION

Israel was to _____ what God had done for them, than they are to _____ their children. The result? All the peoples will then know! What an awesome chain of events! As we remember and reflect on what God has done in our life, first in salvation, then share that with our children, others will hear – our neighbors, our friends, other family members, our fellow workers ... our world!