



## Week #2 Life Notes

### Joshua [1:16-18](#) New International Version (NIV)

**16** Then they answered Joshua, “Whatever you have commanded us we will do, and wherever you send us we will go. **17** Just as we fully obeyed Moses, so we will obey you. Only may the Lord your God be with you as he was with Moses. **18** Whoever rebels against your word and does not obey it, whatever you may command them, will be put to death. Only be strong and courageous!”

**Main Idea: Move into what God has for you by answering the call.**

### Joshua 3:1-4 New International Version (NIV)

**3** 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[a] between you and the ark; do not go near it.”

**Answer the call to follow God’s presence.**

### John 14:5-6 New International Version (NIV)

**5** Thomas said to him, “Lord, we don’t know where you are going, so how can we know the way?”

**6** Jesus answered, “I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.

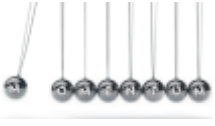
### Joshua 3:5 New International Version (NIV)

**5** Joshua told the people, “Consecrate yourselves, for [tomorrow](#) the Lord will do amazing things among you.”

**Answer the call to free yourself from fleeting fulfillment.**

### Romans [8:14-17](#) New International Version (NIV)

**14** For those who are led by the Spirit of God are the children of God. **15** The Spirit you received does not make you slaves, so that you live in fear again; rather, the Spirit you received brought about your adoption to sonship. And by him we cry, “*Abba, Father.*” **16** The Spirit himself testifies with our spirit that we are God’s children. **17** Now if we are children, then we are heirs—heirs of God and co-heirs with Christ, if indeed we share in his sufferings in order that we may also share in his glory.



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**10** This is how you will know that the living God is among you and that he will certainly drive out before you the Canaanites, Hittites, Hivites, Perizzites, Girgashites, Amorites and Jebusites. **11** See, the ark of the covenant of the Lord of all the earth will go into the Jordan ahead of you. **12** Now then, choose twelve men from the tribes of Israel, one from each tribe. **13** And as soon as the priests who carry the ark of the Lord—the Lord of all the earth—set foot in the Jordan, its waters flowing downstream will be cut off and stand up in a heap.”

### Answer the call to faith.

### Joshua [3:14-17](#) New International Version (NIV)

**14** So when the people broke camp to cross the Jordan, the priests carrying the ark of the covenant went ahead of them. **15** Now the Jordan is at flood stage all during harvest. Yet as soon as the priests who carried the ark reached the Jordan and their feet touched the water's edge, **16** the water from upstream stopped flowing. It piled up in a heap a great distance away, at a town called Adam in the vicinity of Zarethan, while the water flowing down to the Sea of the Arabah (that is, the Dead Sea) was completely cut off. So the people crossed over opposite Jericho. **17** The priests who carried the ark of the covenant of the Lord stopped in the middle of the Jordan and stood on dry ground, while all Israel passed by until the whole nation had completed the crossing on dry ground.

**“Faith is the vehicle that God uses to move you from fear to fulfillment”**

## Talk About It

### Icebreaker

Share about a time you made a big mistake that you lived to regret, or share about a time you got a real second chance and it turned out great.

2. What does the “Promised Land” look like to you in your own life? How do we overcome the obstacles to that preferred future? How do we prepare for the challenges that we face once we get there? What might those challenges be?

3. Read and discuss Joshua 3:1-6. What does it look like to prepare spiritually? How have you personally learned to prepare yourself spiritually? If we believe today that God is able to do wonders among us do we need to sanctify ourselves? Why or why not?

4. Read and discuss Joshua 3:7-17. What does it look like to proceed as God leads? Does fear or faith tend to dictate your action when the stakes are high? What helps you to take steps of faith even when it is risky?

5. Can you share an example of a risky step of faith you have taken?



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6. Read and discuss Joshua 4:1-9. What is the point of preserving a memory? Is there a memory about God's faithfulness in your own life that encourages you when you think of it?
7. Read Colossians 1:21-23 and discuss. How do you preserve and pass on the memory of what Jesus has done for you?