

Joshua 4

v6-7

“That this may be a sign among you, that when your children ask their fathers in time to come”

“and these stones shall be for a memorial unto the children of Israel for ever.”

- We are to leave testimonies for those who are coming behind. Raise up pillars as Jacob did.
- The testimonies of The Lord are not to be taken for granted and forgotten. We are commanded to remember!
- 1 Samuel 7:12 *“Samuel took a stone... and called the name of it Eben-ezer, saying, Hitherto hath the LORD helped us.”*
- We are to raise up Ebenezer’s! Glory in the Lord’s tender provisions and victories! Let it be seen, let there be a testimony, a marking, a book...
- Let there be such a curiosity aroused as those stones. “Hey uncle Matthew, why are those stones there?”

v14

“On that day the LORD magnified Joshua in the sight of all Israel; and they feared him, as they feared Moses, all the days of his life.”

- Let it be The Lord that sets a leader in place. Let it be The Lord who marks a man and creates a space and reverence for him.
- Too often men set men in leadership. Too often men raise themselves to positions.
- The Lord magnified Joshua and the people recognised The Lord’s power, authority and fear upon the man.

v21

“When your children shall ask their fathers in time to come, saying, What mean these stones?”

- Will the next generation see the stones? Will they see any pillars raised? Will they see the memories of testimonies past? What are we leaving?
- If/when they do come to ask, will we remember and share with joy or shame? How are we walking? Are we living in memory of these stones?
- What do these stones mean to you today? Are you walking in the victory and provision that those stones represent?

v24

“That all the people of the earth might know the hand of the LORD, that it is mighty: that ye might fear the LORD your God for ever.”

- Luke 22:19 *“This is my body which is given for you: this do in remembrance of me.”*
- God’s glory is revealed through His people. We will never comprehend how awesome and incredible this is. God places His glory on man.