

# REMEMBER “Gratitude”

<sup>11</sup> Be careful that you **do not forget** the LORD your God...

<sup>12</sup> Otherwise, when you eat and are satisfied... <sup>13</sup> and your silver and gold increase... <sup>14</sup> then your heart will become proud and you will forget the LORD your God... <sup>17</sup> You may say to yourself, “**My** power and the strength of **my hands** have produced this wealth for me.”

**Deuteronomy 8:11-14, 17 (NIV)**

<sup>12</sup> Now choose twelve men from the tribes of Israel, one from each tribe. <sup>13</sup> The priests will carry the **Ark of the Lord**, the Lord of all the earth. **As soon as their feet touch the water**, the flow of water will be cut off upstream, and the river will stand up like a wall.” **Joshua 3:12-13 (NLT)**

**We must REMEMBER...**

**OFTEN THE PROMISES OF GOD REQUIRE A FIRST STEP OF FAITH FROM US!**

<sup>14</sup> So the people left their camp to cross the Jordan, and the priests who were carrying the Ark of the Covenant went ahead of them. <sup>15</sup> It was the harvest season, and **the Jordan was overflowing its banks**. But as soon as the feet of the priests who were carrying the Ark touched the water at the river's edge, <sup>16</sup> the water above that point began backing up a great distance away **at a town called Adam**, which is near Zarethan. And the water below that point **flowed on to the Dead Sea** until the riverbed was dry. Then all the people crossed over near the town of Jericho. <sup>17</sup> Meanwhile, the priests who were carrying the Ark of the Lord's Covenant stood on dry ground in the middle of the riverbed as the people passed by. **They waited there until the whole nation of Israel had crossed** the Jordan on dry ground.

**Joshua 3:14-17 (NLT)**

**We must REMEMBER...**

**GOD TRUMPS ALL ODDS!**

<sup>4</sup> So Joshua called together the twelve men he had chosen—one from each of the tribes of Israel. <sup>5</sup> He told them, “Go into the middle of the Jordan, in front of the Ark of the Lord your God. Each of you must pick up one stone and carry it out on your shoulder—twelve stones in all, one for each of the twelve tribes of Israel. <sup>6</sup> We will use these stones to build a memorial. In the future your children will ask you, ‘What do these stones mean?’ <sup>7</sup> Then you can tell them, ‘**They remind us** that the Jordan River stopped flowing when the Ark of the Lord’s Covenant went across.’ These stones will stand as a memorial among the people of Israel forever.” **Joshua 4:4-7 (NLT)**

<sup>8</sup> So the men did as Joshua had commanded them... <sup>18</sup> As soon as the priests carrying the Ark of the Lord’s Covenant came up out of the riverbed and their feet were on high ground, the water of the Jordan returned and overflowed its banks as before. **Joshua 4:8, 18 (NLT)**

<sup>24</sup> He did this **so all the nations of the earth might know** that the Lord’s hand is powerful, and so you might fear the Lord your God forever.” **Joshua 4:24 (NLT)**

**We must REMEMBER...  
THE SECRET TO OVERCOMING THE FUTURE IS IN  
REMEMBERING THE PAST.**