

## Crown Him With Many Crowns

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The Lamb upon His throne:

Hark! How the heavenly anthem drowns

All music but its own!

Awake, my soul, and sing

Of Him who died for thee,

And hail Him as thy matchless King

Through all eternity.

Crown Him the Lord of life:

Who triumphed o'er the grave,

And rose victorious in the strife

For those He came to save.

His glories now we sing,

Who died and rose on high,

Who died eternal life to bring,

And lives that death may die.

Crown Him the Lord of peace,

Whose pow'r a scepter sways,

From pole to pole that wars may cease

And all be pray'r and praise.

His reign shall know no end,  
And round His pierc-ed feet,  
Fair flow'rs of paradise extend,  
Their fragrance ever sweet.



Crown Him the Lord of love:

Behold His hands and side

Rich wounds, yet visible above,

In beauty glorified.

All hail, Redeemer, hail!

For Thou hast died for me,

Thy praise and glory shall not fail

Throughout eternity



Crown Him the Lord of heaven;

One with the Father known,

One with the Spirit through Him given

From yonder glorious throne.

To Thee be endless praise,

For Thou for us hast died;

Be Thou, O Lord through endless days

Adored and magnified.



# Day By Day

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And with each passing moment,

Strength I find

To meet my trials here;

Trusting in my Father's

Wise bestowment,

I've no cause

For worry or for fear.

He whose heart is kind

Beyond all measure

Gives unto each day

What He deems best-



Lovingly, its part  
Of pain and pleasure,  
Mingling toil with  
Peace and rest.

Every day the Lord Himself

Is near me

With a special mercy

For each hour;

All my cares He fain would bear,

And cheer me,

He whose name is

Counselor and Power.

The protection of His child

And treasure

Is a charge that

On Himself He laid;

*“As your days, your strength  
Shall be in measure,”*

*This the pledge*

*To me He made.*



Help me then

In every tribulation

So to trust

Your promises, O Lord,



That I lose not

Faith's sweet consolation

Offered me

Within Your holy Word.

Help me, Lord

When toil and trouble meeting,

E'er to take,

As from a father's hand,

One by one, the days,  
The moments fleeting,  
‘Til I reach  
The promised land.



# DAYS OF ELIJAH

These are the days of Elijah

Declaring the Word of the Lord

And these are the days

Of Your servant Moses

Righteousness being restored



And though these are days

Of great trials

Of famine and darkness and sword

Still we are the voice

In the desert crying

Prepare ye the way of the Lord



Behold He comes  
Riding on the clouds  
Shining like the sun  
At the trumpet call

So lift your voice

It's the year of Jubilee

And out of Zion's hill

Salvation comes

And these are the days of Ezekiel

The dry bones becoming as flesh

And these are the days

Of Your servant David

Rebuilding a temple of praise

And these are the days of the harvest

The fields are as white in the world

And we are the laborers

In Your vineyard

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**Worship The Lord  
In His Word**

**Journey Into Success**

**How To Keep  
a Strong Faith**

**TEXT: Joshua 4:1-8;**

**Please open your Bible and  
read along with us.**



**Joshua 4:1-8** “When all the nation had finished passing over the Jordan, the Lord said to Joshua,  
2 “Take twelve men from the people, from each tribe a man,  
3 and command them, saying,  
‘Take twelve stones from here out of the midst of the Jordan, from the very place where the priests’

feet stood firmly, and bring them over with you and lay them down in the place where you lodge tonight.”” 4 Then Joshua called the twelve men from the people of Israel, whom he had appointed, a man from each tribe. 5 And Joshua said to them, “Pass on before the ark of the Lord your



**God into the midst of the Jordan,  
and take up each of you a stone  
upon his shoulder, according to  
the number of the tribes of the  
people of Israel, 6 that this may be  
a sign among you. When your  
children ask in time to come,  
'What do those stones mean to  
you?' 7 then you shall tell them**

**that the waters of the Jordan were cut off before the ark of the covenant of the Lord. When it passed over the Jordan, the waters of the Jordan were cut off. So these stones shall be to the people of Israel a memorial forever.” 8 And the people of Israel did just as Joshua**



**commanded and took up twelve stones out of the midst of the Jordan, according to the number of the tribes of the people of Israel, just as the Lord told Joshua. And they carried them over with them to the place where they lodged and laid them down there.”**

## **Introduction:**

**God's will for our lives always has its raging "Jordan's."**

**However, as long as we are in God's will, we have a wonderful promise in the book of Isaiah.**



**Isaiah 43:2 "When thou passest through the waters, I will be with thee; ..."**

## **I. The Plan for the Memorials (4:1-14)**

**Memorials are reminders of God's faithfulness in the past that encourage us in the present and give hope for the future.**

**The Washington Monument is the most prominent structure in Washington, D.C. and one of the city's early attractions, built in honor of George Washington, who led the country to independence and then became its first President. The Monument is shaped like an Egyptian obelisk, stands 555' 5 1/8" tall.**







**The Lincoln Memorial is an American memorial built to honor the 16<sup>th</sup> President of the United States, Abraham Lincoln. It is located on the National Mall in Washington, D.C. and was dedicated on May 30, 1922.**









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**In our last message we found that when the priests' feet touched the water, God parted the Jordan River.**

**Joshua 4:2-3 "Take you twelve men out of the people, out of every tribe a man, 3 And command ye them, saying, Take you hence out of the midst of**



**Jordan, out of the place where the priests' feet stood firm, **twelve stones**, and ye shall carry them over with you, and leave them in the lodging place, **where ye shall lodge this night.**"**

**A. Where ye shall lodge this night –**

Gilgal was about seven miles West of the Jordan River.

## **B. And in the Midst of the River**

**Joshua 4:9** "And Joshua set up twelve stones in the midst of Jordan, in the place where the feet of the priests which bare the ark of the covenant stood: and they are there unto this day."



**Joshua 4:7 “... and  
these stones shall be  
for a memorial unto  
the children of  
Israel for ever.”**

**ILL. The Ark of the Covenant was carried with them during the wanderings and the conquest as symbolic of God's presence.**

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**Mercy Seat**

**27"  
Tall**

**27"  
Wide**

**45 Inches long**

**Acacia Wood Covered with  
Gold.**



Hebrews 9:4 “... the ark of the covenant overlaid round about with gold, wherein *was* the golden pot that had manna, and Aaron's rod that budded, and the tables of the covenant;”



## **1. Golden Pot of Manna –**

**In remembrance of the food which they had eaten in their long journey in the wilderness.**

## **2. Aaron's Rod that budded –**

**and blossomed and bore fruit as a proof that God had chosen him to minister to him.**

### **3. Tables of the Covenant -**

**The two tables of stone, on which the ten commandments were engraved.**



# THE GREAT SEA *(Mediterranean Sea)*



# Jesus knew the importance of Memorials

Luke 22:19-20 "And he took bread, and gave thanks, and brake it, and gave unto them, saying, This is my body which is given for you: this do in remembrance of me. 20 Likewise also the cup after supper, saying, This cup is the new testament in my blood, which is shed for you."



**When the Israelites returned to Gilgal, as they did on a regular basis since it was their base of operations, they would see the stones and be reminded of the power and faithfulness of their God.**

**C. This Authenticated God's Messenger or Leader.**



**Joshua 4:14 "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."**

**The memorial also implies that in the days ahead such miracles would be rare.**

**A careful study of biblical miracles will show them clustered around critical periods in biblical history.**

**Most of the prophets never performed a single miracle.**



**They were associated primarily with the Exodus, the taking of the Promised Land, and some of the prophets.**

**The other period in which we see a cluster of miracles is during the time of Christ and the apostles.**

**In each instance they were wonders or miracles designed to authenticate God's servants during a very critical time of God's plan for the redemption of His people.**

**Miracles are the exception in the Bible, apart from these special times.**



**Centuries passed without the occurrence of a single miracle.**

**Even John the Baptist never performed a miracle:**

**John 10:41 “... John did no miracle: but all things that John spake of this man were true.”**

**God wants us to have memorials in our lives to remind us of the great things God has done in our lives so we will have faith in the future.**

**We've looked at the Plan for Memorials, so now let's consider...**



## **II. The Purpose of Memorials**

**Up to this time, Joshua has been a servant, humbly working in the shadow of Moses.**

**Now his people revere him as they did Moses.**

**This is a key ingredient of success  
because of the promise given in:**

**Luke 14:11 ... he that humbleth  
himself shall be exalted."**

**Joshua 4:16-18 "Command the  
priests that bear the ark of the  
testimony, that they come up out of  
Jordan. 17 Joshua therefore  
commanded the priests, saying,**



**Come ye up out of Jordan. 18 And it came to pass, when the priests that bare the ark of the covenant of the LORD were come up out of the midst of Jordan, and the soles of the priests' feet were lifted up unto the dry land, that the waters of Jordan returned unto their place, and flowed**

**over all his banks, as they did before."**

**A. Land of NO return -**

**The miracle is seen in that the waters were held back just long enough for the Israelites to cross over.**



**Imagine the scene as the Israelites watched the raging river cover the path they had just crossed.**

**Now there was no returning!!**

**Even though Moses is dead, GOD is not, and the same powerful GOD who has been with them in the past will be with them in the future.**



**There comes a time in all of our lives when we cannot return to the past.**

**It may be moving to a new job, the loss of a loved one, or the children leaving home.**

**We must remember that the GOD who has been with us in the past will be with us in the future.**

## **B. Land of Great Promise -**

**Joshua 4:21-23 "And he spake unto the children of Israel, saying, When your children shall ask their fathers in time to come, saying, What mean these stones? 22 Then ye shall let your children know, saying, Israel came over this Jordan on dry land. 23 For the LORD your God dried up**



**the waters of Jordan from before you, until ye were passed over, as the LORD your God did to the Red sea, which he dried up from before us, until we were gone over:"**

**1. TELL THE CHILDREN**



**Deuteronomy 6:7 "And thou shalt teach them diligently unto thy children, and shalt talk of them when thou sittest in thine house, and when thou walkest by the way, and when thou liest down, and when thou risest up."**

**Joshua 4:22 "Then ye shall let your children know, saying, Israel came over this Jordan on dry land."**

**Ephesians 6:4b "Fathers... bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord."**

**Instructing them in the knowledge of divine things, setting them good examples, taking care to prevent their falling into bad company, praying with them, and for them, bringing them into the house of God. JG**



**We are to teach our children and grandchildren about the Lord through word and example.**

**This is extremely important today when public schools have abandoned prayer and Bible reading.**



## **2. TELL THE WORLD -**

**Joshua 4:24a "That all the people of the earth might know the hand of the LORD, that it is mighty:"**

**God has gone to great lengths to establish the fact that He exist and that "He is a...**

**“... rewarder of them that diligently seek him;” Hebrews 11:6.**

**ILL. It was hearing about such miracles that caused Rahab to place her faith in the God of Israel.**



**Joshua 2:10-11 "For we have heard how the LORD dried up the water of the Red sea for you, ... 11 And as soon as we had heard these things, our hearts did melt, neither did there remain any more courage in any man, ... for the LORD your God, he is God in heaven above, and in earth beneath."**



### **3. TELL YOURSELF**

**Joshua 4:24b "... that ye might fear  
the LORD your God for ever."**

**God gives us memorials so that we  
might be encouraged and so they  
might be used as tools to teach our  
children and grandchildren.**

**But also, memorials are to show the whole world that He is the one and only God, who is the present and powerful Protector of His people.**

**God has given us the most valuable memorial.**



**It is better than the 12 stones because it contains a detailed record of what God has done in the lives of our spiritual ancestors, beginning with Adam.**

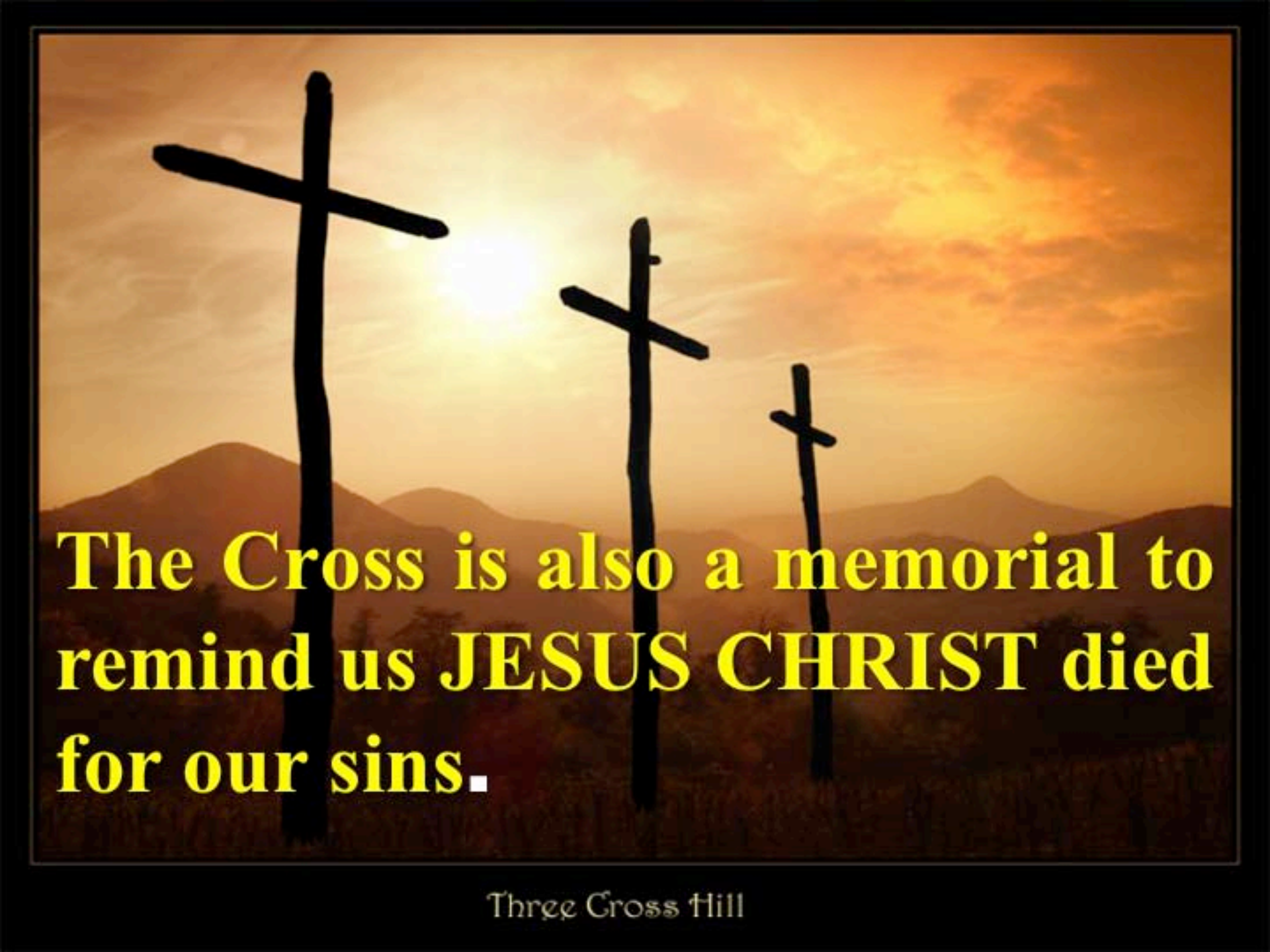






## **Conclusion:**

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m i g h t h a v e h o p e ."**

A photograph of three crosses of varying heights on a hill, silhouetted against a bright, hazy sunset sky. The sun is low on the horizon, creating a warm, golden glow. The crosses are positioned in a line from left to right, with the tallest on the left and the shortest on the right. The background shows rolling hills under the same sky.

**The Cross is also a memorial to remind us JESUS CHRIST died for our sins.**

Three Cross Hill



**What has GOD done in your life that when you remember it your faith is increased and or that should be told to your children or grandchildren to strengthen their faith?**

# INVITATION