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JOSHUA 4:1-10 (ESV)

“When all the nation had finished passing over the Jordan, the LORD said to Joshua, “Take twelve men from the people, from each tribe a man, 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.’” Then Joshua called the twelve men from the people of Israel, whom he had appointed, a man from each tribe. 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, that this may be a sign among you.

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JOSHUA 4:1-10 (ESV)

When your children ask in time to come, ‘What do those stones mean to you?’ 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.”

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.

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JOSHUA 4:1-10 (ESV)

And Joshua set up twelve stones in the midst of the Jordan, in the place where the feet of the priests bearing the ark of the covenant had stood; and they are there to this day. So the priests who bore the ark stood in the midst of the Jordan until everything was finished that the LORD had commanded Joshua to speak to the people, according to all that Moses had commanded Joshua; and the people hurried and crossed over.

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JOSHUA 5:15-18 (ESV)

“And the LORD said to Joshua, “Command the priests bearing the ark of the testimony to come up out of the Jordan.” So Joshua commanded the priests, “Come up out of the Jordan.” And when the priests bearing the ark of the covenant of the LORD came up from the midst of the Jordan, and the soles of the priests’ feet were lifted up on dry ground, the waters of the Jordan returned to their place and overflowed all its banks, as before.”

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JOSHUA 5:10 (ESV)

“And the people hurried and crossed over.”

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ISAIAH 43:2

“You will not perish, neither will the waters overflow you. You will not drown.”

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I walked a mile with pleasure,
She chatted all the way,
But left me none the wiser for all she had to say,

I walked a mile with sorrow,
And ne'er a word said she,
But oh the things I learned from her,
when sorrow walked with me.

Robert Browning Hamilton

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ISAIAH 9:6 (ESV)

“The Government shall be upon His shoulders…”

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JOSHUA 4:6-7 (ESV)

“That this may be a sign among you. When your children ask in time to come, ‘What do those stones mean to you?’ 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 a memorial forever.”

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PSALM 42:5-6 (NKJV)

Why are you cast down, O my soul?
And why are you disquieted within me?
Hope in God, for I shall yet
praise Him for the help of His countenance.
O my God, my soul is cast down within me;
therefore I will remember You from the land of the Jordan,
and from the heights of Hermon, from the Hill Mizar.

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DEUTERONOMY 32:18 (ESV)

“You were unmindful of the Rock that bore you, and you forgot the God who gave you birth.”

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LEVITICUS 2:9 (ESV)

And the priest shall take from the grain offering its memorial portion and burn this on the altar, a food offering with a pleasing aroma to the LORD.

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NUMBERS 16:39-40 (ESV)

“So Eleazar the priest took the bronze censers, which those who were burned had offered, and they were hammered out as a covering for the altar, to be a reminder to the people of Israel, so that no outsider, who is not of the descendants of Aaron, should draw near to burn incense before the LORD, lest he become like Korah and his company—as the LORD said to him through Moses.”

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2 KINGS 18:4 (ESV)

And he broke in pieces the bronze serpent that Moses had made, for until those days the people of Israel had made offerings to it (it was called Nehushtan).

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