Greenforest Community Baptist Church

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Joshua 4 - What do these stones mean?

I. Who is Joshua?

- 1. Joshua was STUDENT of Moses.
- 2. Joshua was SUPPORTIVE of Moses.
- 3. Joshua was assigned to be a SPY by Moses.
- 4. Joshua was the SUCCESSOR to Moses.

II. Water usually represents cleaning or transformation in the Bible.

- 1. Noah and the flood.
- 2. Elijah by the brook.
- 3. Jesus turned water into wine.
- 4. Jesus walked on water.
- 5. Jesus calmed the water.
- 6. Paul's boat capsized.

III. We also see stones in the Bible when:

- 1. David killed the giant with 5 stones.
- 2. The tombstone of Jesus was rolled away.
- 3. The Apostle Paul was almost stoned to death.

IV. We must share with the next generation.

- 1. Share our Story.
- 2. Share our Strengths.
- 3. Share our Struggles.
- 4. Share our winning Strategies.

MAIN POINTS – In Joshua 4 we see the following:

- 1. God spoke DIRECTLY to Joshua (v.1)
- 2. God gave Joshua specific DIRECTIONS (v.2-3)
- 3. Joshua swiftly DID as God commanded (v.4)
- 4. Joshua DECLARED to the people what God said (v.5-7)
- 5. Joshua DEDICATED the 12 stones as a memorial (v.8-9)
- 6. God DELIVERED the Israelites across the Jordan River (v.10-13)
- 7. The Lord DECIDED to elevate Joshua (v.14)
- 8. Joshua and the priests performed their specific DUTIES (V.15-18)
- 9. Joshua and priests DISPLAYED great trust in God (v.19-20)
- 10. The Lord DEEPENED their faith (v.21-24)