The Promised Land: God is Faithful Joshua 3: 1-17

I. God promised His faithfulness (Joshua 3:5-7)

Joshua 21:45 - "Not one of the good promises which the Lord had made to the house of Israel failed; all came to pass."

Joshua 23:14 - "Now behold, today I am going the way of all the earth, and you know in all your hearts and in all your souls that not one word of all the good words which the Lord your God spoke concerning you has failed; all have been fulfilled for you, not one of them has failed."

Psalm 145:13 - "Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and your dominion endures throughout all generations. The LORD is faithful in all his words and kind in all his works."

II. God is always faithful (Joshua 3:14-17)

2 Timothy 2:13 - "If we are faithless, He remains faithful, for He cannot deny Himself."

Romans 3:3,4 - "What then? If some did not believe (unfaithful), their unbelief (unfaithfulness) will not nullify the faithfulness of God, will it? May it never be! Rather, let God be found true, though every man be found a liar, as it is written, 'That You may be justified in Your words, and prevail when you are judged.'"

III. God's faithfulness is fulfilled in Christ (Joshua 4:19-24)

Romans 15: 8-9 - "For I say that Christ has become a servant to the circumcision on behalf of the truth of God to confirm the promises given to the fathers, and for the Gentiles to glorify God for His mercy; as it is written, 'Therefore I will give praise to You among the Gentiles, and I will sing to Your Name.'"

Faith Sheet - 4/23/17

Monthly and Weekly Memory Verse - John 15:5 - "I am the vine, you are the branches; he who abides in Me and I in him, he bears much fruit, for apart from Me you can do nothing."

Weekly Reading Plan - Joshua 1-4, Psalm 33, John 15 For more reading and memorization options, go to www.millcreek.org

Faith Sheet Reviewing this past Sunday

- 1. Read Joshua 3: 1-17 and discuss with someone.
- 2. Why is it important to consecrate oneself and be spiritually prepared for God to work in mighty ways?
- 3. What are some examples of things we do to prepare our hearts?
- 4. In what ways has God shown His faithfulness in your struggles?
- 5. The people in this scene knew from their ancestors of God's power to part the waters, but many had not experienced this miracle themselves. Why is it important for every generation to witness the wondrous work of the Lord for themselves, not simply rely on what others have said?
- 6. How have you handled situations when you are more frightened by what lies ahead than confident your faith is strong?
- 7. How well is our church doing with supporting and encouraging one another to obey God in faith? How can we do better?

Preparing for Next Sunday Promised Land: The God of Unusual Victories

- 1. Read Joshua 6: 1-25. Ask the Lord to reveal Himself and His truth.
- 2. HIGHLIGHT a verse or truth and write it out.
- 3. EXPLAIN the text in your own words to make sure you see the big picture of God's Story. (Who wrote it, why was it written and to whom it was written? What is the context? How does the text point to the Father, Son or Spirit? What is said about our new identity as believers in Christ? What we are to be doing?)
- 4. APPLY a truth from the text to your life. (Focus on what God is saying to you and what is your act of obedience, confession, praise, giving thanks, etc.)
- 5. RESPOND in prayer and go live out what God reveals to you.