



# God Talk At Home

**This Week's Kingdom Quest Lesson:**  
Memorial Day Weekend

**Take Home Point:**  
Never forget the good God has done.

## Drive Time Home

Tickler Question: Why were you given a rock today? *(To remember something for which to be thankful.)*  
How is that like Joshua and the crossing of the Jordan River? *(God commanded a leader from each of the 12 tribes to pick up one stone from the middle of the Jordan to build an altar as a memorial of God's miracle in crossing over to the Promised Land.)*

## God Time at Home

*Select questions and adapt for your family.*

**FOR STARTERS:** A blessing is something good that God has given us or done for us. Have each family member share three blessings they are thankful for today!

**READ THE BIBLE:** Joshua 3:1-4:24

**KEY VERSE:** Psalm 103:2, *"Praise the Lord, my soul, and never forget all the good he has done."*

**TALK ABOUT IT:** What group of men went before the people in crossing the Jordan River? *(Joshua 3:6. The priests.)* What did they carry? *(Joshua 3:8. The ark of the promise or covenant.)* What did the ark represent? *(Joshua 3:7. That the presence of the Lord was with the people.)* What happened to the Jordan River when the priests stepped into it? *(Joshua 3:15-17. The water stopped flowing from upstream and rose up like a dam so the people crossed on dry ground.)* Why did Joshua have 12 stones from the Jordan River set up? *(See Joshua 4:23-24. To remind the people and their descendants that the Lord had dried up the Jordan River ahead of them so they could enter the Promised Land. Read Joshua 4:24!!! "The Lord did this so that everyone in the world would know his mighty power and that you would fear the Lord your God every day of your life.")* Why do you think the priests who carried the ark of the promise stood in the middle of the Jordan until the whole nation had crossed? *(Maybe so that the people would see the ark as they passed by and knew God cared for and would be with every one of them.)* Why do you think Joshua had a man from each of the 12 tribes gather a rock from the middle of the Jordan in front of the ark of the Lord's promise, instead of just collecting rocks from the edge? *(Maybe to remind the people that it was a mighty miracle that the Lord had done (remember the Jordan was at flood stage), and as a reminder of where the people had been.)*

What is our Promised Land? *(Heaven.)* Who came into our presence to open the way for us to enter our Promised Land? *(Jesus.)* What did Jesus do so that we can enter the Promised Land? *(He gave his life for us.)*

**PRAYER POWER:** Thank God for the good things he has given, but especially for the greatest gift of all: Jesus, who made the way for us to enter the Promised Land.

## Family Time Option

*One day this week, try...*

Keep a list of things your family is thankful for and post it on the refrigerator or public place. Add to it as the week continues. Discuss how doing this changes attitudes in the family.

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