

WET FEET

JOSHUA 3-4 – ERIC SIMPSON – JANUARY 20, 2019

The Ark of the Covenant



Joshua 3:5-8

5 Joshua told the people, "Consecrate yourselves, for tomorrow the LORD will do amazing things among you." 6 Joshua said to the priests, "Take up the ark of the covenant and pass on ahead of the people." So they took it up and went ahead of them. 7 And the LORD said to Joshua, 8 "... Tell the priests who carry the ark of the covenant: 'When you reach the edge of the Jordan's waters, go and stand in the river.'"

"The Hebrews were a historical people. They believed that God worked in their lives, did things. God wasn't a blurred glow of sentiment. God wasn't an abstract concept. God

wasn't a remote legislator passing laws on gravity and adultery. God wasn't a bearded judge, austere and exacting. God was personal in history: creating, directing, saving, blessing. God entered the affairs of men and women; and when he did, he judged and saved, called to account and blessed. Most of all he loved. He entered into covenants with his people, giving them the dignity of sharing his work, living by faith and in love. The Ark kept all this before them." – Eugene Peterson

consecrate = set yourself apart, involves wholehearted devotion

"It's dethroning yourself and enthroning Jesus Christ. It's the complete divesture of all self-interest. It's giving God veto power. It's surrendering all of you to all of Him. It's a simple recognition that every second of time, every ounce of energy, and every penny of money is a gift from God and for God. Consecration is an ever-deepening love for Jesus, a childlike trust in the heavenly Father, and a blind obedience to the Holy Spirit."
– Mark Batterson

Joshua 3:14-16

14 So when the people broke camp to cross the Jordan, the priests carrying the ark of the covenant went ahead of them. 15 Now the Jordan is at flood stage all during harvest. Yet as soon as the priests who carried the ark reached the Jordan and their feet touched the water's edge, 16 the water from upstream stopped flowing...

Joshua 4:21-24

21... "In the future when your descendants ask their fathers, 'What do these stones mean?' 22 tell them, 'Israel crossed the Jordan on dry ground.' 23 For the LORD your God dried up the Jordan before you until you had crossed over. The LORD your God did to the Jordan just what he had done to the Red Sea when he dried it up before us until we had crossed over. 24 He did this so that all the peoples of the earth might know that the hand of the LORD is powerful and so that you might always fear the LORD your God."

ADULT MINISTRY

PRAYER WEEK JANUARY 20-27

We believe God will fight for us and come through for us, so we're setting aside 168 hours to focus on the greatness of God. We have 2 evenings set aside for worship & prayer: Tuesday and Friday at 7pm in the Loft. We are also inviting people to spend an hour in the prayer room. More info in the app and at eaglechurch.com/events.

ALPHA JANUARY 23 | 7-8:30PM

This 10-week course is a series of interactive sessions that freely explore the basics of the Christian Faith. No pressure. No follow up. No charge. Childcare and snacks will be provided. Sign up in the app or at eaglechurch.com/events.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING JANUARY 27 | 6-7:30PM

It's time for our annual meeting. If you're a member at Eagle, we encourage you to come. Childcare will be provided.

BAPTISM SUNDAY FEBRUARY 24 | 10AM

Have you made the decision to give your life to Jesus, but haven't yet been baptized? Our next Baptism Sunday is coming up and we'd love to have you be a part of it. Find out more info and sign up in the app or online at eaglechurch.com/events.

EAGLE STUDENTS

CHICAGO MISSION TRIP JUNE 30-JULY 6 | GRADE 6-8

Middle School students will spend 6 days on the north side of Chicago running a soccer camp and leading local elementary students in VBS in the mornings and prayer walks in the afternoons. Registration is open at eaglechurch.com/students by January 27.

EAGLE KIDS

TODAY, JANUARY 20 - INFANT-GRADE 4 10AM | LOWER LEVEL

Eagle Kids are learning to put their faith in Jesus.

Acts 16:31

They replied, "Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved—you and your household."