

Wednesday Devotional

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Scripture: Joshua 3

This devotional helps to remind us as we start a new year that we have Someone we can rely on no matter what happens this year.

"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. It piled up in a heap a great distance away."

In the original Hebrew it was something that happened instantly, not over a period of time. Once the priest's foot touches the water it stopped flowing and 20 miles upstream it rose up in a heap. The city of Adam was 20 miles upstream.

Why 20 miles upstream? It was so the masses could all cross the river quickly. Allen Redpath says the amount of people numbered in the millions. They couldn't have crossed in single file or even 10 at a time. They needed a huge place so they could all cross quickly.

Understand, this was on dry ground. Can you imagine them trying to cross in the mud on the bottom of the river. Not possible. They would have gotten their carts and animals stuck as well as themselves. It had to be dry ground.

Every time I read something like this over again, I find something else marvelous about the way God does things. Never halfway but always complete with everything covered including dry ground. What an amazing God we serve. (Continued)

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