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**Exalting, Equipping, Evangelizing**

Bible Study

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### **CROSSING YOUR JORDAN BY FAITH**

God has a destination (purpose) for each of our lives. To reach (fulfill) our purpose, we must overcome our Jordan which represents an obstacle preventing us from reaching our destiny. God requires us to operate (live) by faith (Hebrews 11:1, Faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen. Faith is not seeing, but yet believing. Faith is when it ain't so, but you believe it is so, until it becomes so.

**Background:** After God delivered Israel from bondage (Egypt), God had a purpose (plan) and place (destiny) for his people. God promised Israel a land flowing with milk and honey (Exodus 3:8), which represents a land of prosperity. For them to obtain the promises of God, they had to cross the Jordan River that was preventing them from reaching (destiny) the promises of God.

### **Moving Towards the Promised Land**

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| 1. Preparation               | v. 1-2 |
| 2. Focus on God              | v. 3a  |
| 3. Follow Godly Instructions | v. 3b  |
| 4. Reverence God             | v. 4   |
| 5. Consecrate Ourselves      | v. 5   |

### **Four Reasons We Are To Consecrate Ourselves to the Lord**

1. So We Can Walk In God's Ways
2. So We Can Grow
3. So God Can Work In Us
4. To Enjoy The Riches Of God's Salvation

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| 1. Respect Godly Leadership | v. 6-8   |
| 2. Listen To God            | v. 9     |
| 3. Promise Of God           | v. 10-11 |
| 4. Step of Faith            | v. 12-13 |
| 5. Promise fulfilled        | v. 14-17 |