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FAITH IN THE GOD OF PROMISE

- Do you believe miracles happen?
- Have you ever seen one?
- In the Bible, we read about big miracles. Do you think God still works like that?

Recap

After 40 years, the Israelites are finally about to enter the land that God promised to them. Joshua is leading the people, and God has told him to be strong and courageous as he leads the people in to conquer the land. But now they face their first obstacle.

Read Joshua 3

- What was the obstacle that stood between the Israelites and the Promised Land? (*The Jordan River*)
- How did God solve this problem?
- What was the whole reason God worked this miracle? *Look at verses 10-13. (That they would “know that the living God was with them.”)*
- God proved that He was with Israel. How has He proved that he is with you?
- Have you ever found yourself saying something like this: “If God would just show up to me like he did for the Israelites in this story, then I would believe in Him.”
- Fill in the blank: If God would just _____, then I would trust Him.

Think back to the story.

- When did God stop the river? *Look at verse 15.*
- What do you think would have happened if they had just turned around and not stepped into the river? Do you think God would have stopped the river? Why or why not?
- What is your “river” or obstacle standing between you and living the abundant life that Jesus promises? *See John 10:10*
- Looking at your obstacle, are you more tempted to turn and walk away, or to walk through it?

Read what Jesus told his disciples in John 16:33.

Sometimes we want to take the easy way out and avoid obstacles altogether.

- **What would it look like for you to step into that obstacle trusting that Jesus is with you and has the power to overcome the world?**