



## Introduction

A memorial to their crossing of the Jordan is made.

# Questions

- 1. From where were twelve stones to be taken and what were they to do with them?
- 2. Where did Joshua build another structure with twelve stones?
- 3. How did crossing the Jordan affect Joshua's leadership?

### Summary Points

- v 1 to 8 One man from each tribe takes a stone from the river Jordan. They use them to build a memorial to remind them that God has enabled them to cross the Jordan
- v 9 to 18 Joshua sets up twelve more stones in the Jordan where the priests stood. When all the people have crossed over, the priests carrying the ark of the covenant come up out of the Jordan. The waters then flow again as before
- v 19 to 24 Joshua sets up the twelve stones from the Jordan at Gilgal (see map) where the people camp. He tells the people what to tell their inquisitive children about the stones and that they should fear the LORD their God (see theme)

Timeline 1400 BC (see below)



#### **Theme / Information**

#### **Fearing God**

A selection of verses showing that we should have reverential fear of God:

Moses tells the early Israelites what fearing God means:

Deuteronomy 10 verse 20

Both Job and the psalmist tell us that the fear of God is the basis of wisdom:

Job 28 verse 28

Psalm 111 verse 10

Fearing God pleases him and encourages us to see his love for us:

Psalm 147 verse 11

Fear of the LORD should affect our lives:

Proverbs 8 verse 13

Ecclesiastes 12 verses 13 and 14

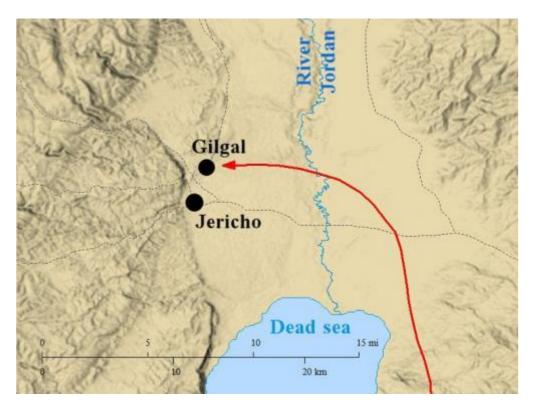
The apostle Peter reminds his readers that they should fear God:

1 Peter 2 verse 17



#### **Map showing Jericho and Gilgal**

Map showing the approximate route of the Israelites as they approach Gilgal and Jericho (Joshua 2 and 4).



## ? Answers to questions

Verses which answer the questions:

Q 1: v 3, Q 2: v 9, Q 3: v 14



#### **Bible timeline**

