



Discussion Guide Memorial Day Weekend PARTICIPATION GUIDE

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"Faith is the gaze of a soul upon a saving God."
[A.W. Tozer]

ENGAGE & CONNECT

Share one of your favorite memories from your teenage years. What is so memorable about it?

BEGIN WITH PRAYER

Spend a moment praying this passage, beginning your time together in humility and gratitude!

*"Let us hold on to the confession of our hope without
wavering, since he who promised is faithful."*
[Hebrews 0:23]

BIG IDEA

What we regularly and purposefully remember and celebrate is critical to our faith!

PASSAGE & DISCUSSION

Joshua 4:1–7

1. What did God command the Israelites to do after crossing the Jordan? What was its purpose?
2. How can remembering God's past faithfulness help you face your fears or uncertainties in the present?
3. What "stone" or spiritual marker exists in your life—a time when God clearly showed up? How often do you reflect on those moments?

Joshua 4:20–24

4. What broader purpose did the memorial stones serve beyond just Israel's memory?
5. How often do you share about God's faithfulness and work in your life with people around you who are not believers? How does this passage challenge you to begin doing that more regularly?

1 Corinthians 11:23–26

6. According to Paul, what is the purpose of communion?
7. What do the Old Testament stones and the New Testament communion meal reveal about how God uses memorials?

8. What is the connection between Christian community and passing on spiritual knowledge? Why can't Christian faith be fully lived in isolation?
9. What might it look like for you to intentionally "build a memorial" to God's work in your life this month?
10. What are some ways we can build communal "memorials" of God's faithfulness in our small group?

STEP OF OBEDIENCE

Today, we were reminded that God commands us to remember—not just for sentiment, **but for strength, identity, and mission**. Whether through stones beside a river or bread and wine at a table, God gives us tangible ways to recall Him. Remembering God's work is essential for spiritual health and passing on the faith to the next generation. **As you consider your next step, here are two questions to reflect on:** 1) What false narratives are shaping how I see myself and God right now? 2) What act of remembrance do I need to practice more intentionally?

Possible Next Steps of Faith

1. Choose one specific memory of God's faithfulness and create a way to remember it—journal, artwork, testimony, or Scripture.
2. Initiate a conversation this week with a friend or family member where you share one thing God has done in your life that you want them to remember too.

PRAYER FOCUS

Remembering and Celebrating What Matters Most

- Take a moment to reflect: what we choose to celebrate directs our affections. In our faith journey, intentionally remembering God's goodness, His promises, and the finished work of Jesus is vital to staying rooted in truth and joy.
- As we pray, let's ask God to help us be people who remember well, celebrate His faithfulness, rehearse His Word, and hold fast to the hope of the Gospel. Let's commit to marking our days with gratitude and worship, so our faith remains strong and vibrant.

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

- [Joshua Ch. 4 Commentary](#) & [5 Minute Summary](#)
 - Use these for background and encouragement before your group gathers.
- [Rock Bridge APP](#)
 - Our app has launched and is a great resource and community builder!
 - [iPhone](#) & [Android](#)