

God's people remember crossing the river. Joshua 4

God's people were amazed! They were standing in the land that God had promised to give them long ago. They had traveled for years across the desert. God had led them all the way! And God had stopped the rushing river, so they could cross safely on dry ground.

When all the people and animals had safely crossed to the other side, Joshua told 12 men to go back into the riverbed. He told them to pick up large stones.

The men went into the riverbed. Each man picked up a large smooth stone. They brought the stones

> back to where Joshua and all the people were standing. The priests followed the men out of the riverbed, and CRASH! All the water came pouring back down the river again, just as it had been. No one would have guessed that it had ever been dry.

Joshua piled the stones into a big stack near the river. Whenever the people saw the stones, it would remind them how God had helped them cross the river on dry ground and come to the land God had promised them.