

*"It is good that a man should both hope and quietly wait for the salvation of the LORD." (Lamentation 3:26)*

### 3. A STEP OF \_\_\_\_\_ EXPECTATION (v. 5)

*"But without faith it is impossible to please him: for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him." (Hebrews 11:6)*

A. A Lack of \_\_\_\_\_

*"Because thou sayest, I am rich, and increased with goods, and have need of nothing; and knowest not that thou art wretched, and miserable, and poor, and blind, and naked:" (Revelation 3:17)*

B. A Lack of \_\_\_\_\_

### CONCLUSION

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**Quote:** "Expect great things from God. Attempt great things for God."  
— William Carey



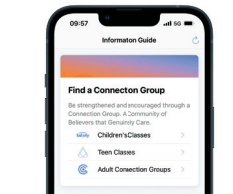
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# STEPS FORWARD AFTER A SETBACK

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## Text: Joshua 3:14–17, Joshua 3:5

*“And it came to pass, when the people removed from their tents, to pass over Jordan, and the priests bearing the ark of the covenant before the people; 15 And as they that bare the ark were come unto Jordan, and the feet of the priests that bare the ark were dipped in the brim of the water, (for Jordan overfloweth all his banks all the time of harvest,) 16 That the waters which came down from above stood and rose up upon an heap very far from the city Adam, that is beside Zaretan: and those that came down toward the sea of the plain, even the salt sea, failed, and were cut off: and the people passed over right against Jericho. 17 And the priests that bare the ark of the covenant of the Lord stood firm on dry ground in the midst of Jordan, and all the Israelites passed over on dry ground, until all the people were passed clean over Jordan.” (Joshua 3:14–17)*

*“And Joshua said unto the people, Sanctify yourselves: for to morrow the Lord will do wonders among you.” (Joshua 3:5)*

## INTRODUCTION

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1. He is equipped with a \_\_\_\_\_

*“There shall not any man be able to stand before thee all the days of thy life: as I was with Moses, so I will be with thee: I will not fail thee, nor forsake thee.” (Joshua 1:5)*

2. He is tasked with a \_\_\_\_\_

3. He is at a \_\_\_\_\_

## 1. A STEP OF \_\_\_\_\_ PURIFICATION (v. 5)

- A. A \_\_\_\_\_ Cleansing

*“Thou art of purer eyes than to behold evil, and canst not look on iniquity.” (Habakkuk 1:13)*

*“But we are all as an unclean thing, and all our righteousnesses are as filthy rags;” (Isaiah 64:6)*

*“Who can bring a clean thing out of an unclean? not one.” (Job 14:4)*

*“What is man, that he should be clean? and he which is born of a woman, that he should be righteous? Behold, he putteth no trust in his saints; yea, the heavens are not clean in his sight. How much more abominable and filthy is man, which drinketh iniquity like water?” (Job 15:14–16)*

*“The blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin.” (1 John 1:7)*

*“And such were some of you: but ye are washed, but ye are sanctified, but ye are justified in the name of the Lord Jesus, and by the Spirit of our God.” (1 Corinthians 6:11)*

- B. A \_\_\_\_\_ Cleansing

*“Blessed are the pure in heart: for they shall see God.” (Matthew 5:8)*

*“Who shall ascend into the hill of the Lord? or who shall stand in his holy place? He that hath clean hands, and a pure heart;” (Psalm 24:3–4)*

*“Who gave himself for us, that he might redeem us from all iniquity, and purify unto himself a peculiar people, zealous of good works.” (Titus 2:14)*

## 2. A STEP OF \_\_\_\_\_ ANTICIPATION (v. 5)

*“Then Joshua commanded the officers of the people, saying, Pass through the host, and command the people, saying, Prepare you victuals; for within three days ye shall pass over this Jordan, to go in to possess the land, which the LORD your God giveth you to possess it.” (Joshua 1:10)*

- A. Waiting is Not the Same as \_\_\_\_\_

ACTIVE IN HIS WORD

*“I wait for the Lord, my soul doth wait, and in his word do I hope.” (Psalm 130:5)*

ACTIVE IN PRAYER

*“I waited patiently for the Lord; and he inclined unto me, and heard my cry.” (Psalm 40:1)*

ACTIVE IN OUR DESIRE FOR HIM

*“The Lord is good unto them that wait for him, to the soul that seeketh him.” (Lamentation 3:25)*

- B. Waiting is Not the Same as \_\_\_\_\_