# WHAT DO THESE STONES MEAN?

When the whole nation had finished crossing the Jordan, the Lord said to Joshua, "Choose twelve men from among the people, one from each tribe, and tell them to take up twelve stones from the middle of the Jordan, from right where the priests are standing, and carry them over with you and put them down at the place where you stay tonight."

So Joshua called together the twelve men he had appointed from the Israelites, one from each tribe, and said to them, "Go over before the ark of the Lord your God into the middle of the Jordan.

Joshua 4:1-7



Each of you is to take up a stone on his shoulder, according to the number of the tribes of the Israelites, to serve as a sign among you. In the future, when your children ask you, 'What do these stones mean?' tell them that the flow of the Jordan was cut off before the ark of the covenant of the Lord. When it crossed the Jordan, the waters of the Jordan were cut off. These stones are to be a memorial to the people of Israel forever."

Joshua 4:1-7



### God Is True to His Promise

"The days are coming," declares the Lord, "when the reaper will be overtaken by the plowman and the planter by the one treading grapes..."

Amos 9:13



The Promise of God is Sure.



### God Moves Mountains When We Pray

Let us then approach God's throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need.

Hebrews 4:16



The Throne of God is Open.



## God Loves the People of Chicago

For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.

John 3:16



The Heart of God is Love.



#### God Has A Perfect Plan for Us

Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is—his **good, pleasing and perfect will**.

Romans 12:2



#### God Has A Perfect Plan for Us

But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God...

John 1:12 NRSV



The Will of God is Good, Pleasing, and Perfect.



# God Does Amazing Things When We Work Together

How good and pleasant it is when God's people live together in unity!

Psalm 133:1



The Kingdom of God works through a Body.

