

And it came to pass, when the people were removed from their tents to pass over Jordan, and the Priests bearing the Ark of the Covenant before the people, and as they that bear the Ark were come unto Jordan, and the feet of the Priest that bare the Ark were dipped in the brim of the water; that the waters which came down from above stood, and rose up upon a heap; and the people passed over right against Jericho. And the Priest that bare the Ark of the Covenant of the Lord, stood firm on dry ground in the midst of Jordan. — JOSHUA, 3 c.

The Candidate shall then take out of the R. with both his hands, the Chaplain reading as follows:

And it came to pass, when all the people were clean passed over Jordan, and the Lord spoke unto Joshua, saying, take your twelve men out of the people; out of every tribe a man, and command you them saying: take you hence out of the midst of Jordan, out of the place where the Priests' feet stood firm, twelve stones, and ye shall carry them over with you, and leave them in the lodging-place where you shall lodge for the night. — That this may be a sign among you, and these stones shall be a memorial unto the children of Israel for ever. — JOSHUA, c. 4.

The Candidate shall then be conducted before the R., who, kneeling, he shall recite the following