

GO ENGAGE
PART 4: ERASING HISTORY
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“...we are citizens of heaven, where the Lord Jesus Christ lives. And we are eagerly waiting for Him to return as our Savior.”
Philippians 3:20 (NLT)

HISTORY

**A _____ (whether oral or written) of people and events
that occurred in the _____.**

WHY HISTORY MATTERS

“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.”
Joshua 4:1-3 (NIV)

“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. 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 4:4-7 (NIV)

“So the Israelites did as Joshua commanded them. They took twelve stones from the middle of the Jordan, according to the number of the tribes of the Israelites, as the LORD had told Joshua; and they carried them over with them to their camp, where they put them down. Joshua set up the twelve stones that had been in the middle of the Jordan at the spot where the priests who carried the ark of the covenant had stood. And they are there to this day.”
Joshua 4:8-9 (NIV)

HISTORY MATTERS BECAUSE...

1. IT GIVES ME A SENSE OF _____ AND _____.

“Ask now about the former days, long before your time, from the day God created human beings on the earth; ask from one end of the heavens to the other. Has anything so great as this ever happened, or has anything like it ever been heard of? Has any other people heard the voice of God speaking out of fire, as you have, and lived? Has any god ever tried to take for himself one nation out of another nation, by testings, by signs and wonders, by war, by a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, or by great and awesome deeds, like all the things the LORD your God did for you in Egypt before your very eyes? You were shown these things so that you might know that the LORD is God; besides Him there is no other.”
Deuteronomy 4:32-35 (NIV)

2. IT HELPS ME _____ THROUGH _____ AND _____.

"These things happened to them as examples for us. They were written down to warn us who live at the end of the age."
1 Corinthians 10:11 (NLT)

"But these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in His name."
John 20:31 (NIV)

3. IT REMINDS ME THAT _____ EXCEPT _____ IS _____.

"You shall not make for yourself an image in the form of anything in heaven above or on the earth beneath or in the waters below. You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I, the LORD your God, am a jealous God..."
John 20:4-5 (NIV)

"So then, since we have a great High Priest who has entered heaven, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold firmly to what we believe. This High Priest of ours understands our weaknesses, for He faced all of the same testings we do, yet He did not sin."
Hebrews 4:14-15 (NLT)

4. IT PLACES ME IN _____ STORY.

"Remember this, keep it in mind, take it to heart, you rebels. Remember the former things, those of long ago; I am God, and there is no other; I am God, and there is none like Me. I make known the end from the beginning, from ancient times, what is still to come. I say, 'My purpose will stand, and I will do all that I please.'"
Isaiah 46:8-10 (NIV)

"We have this hope as an anchor for the soul, firm and secure."
Hebrews 6:19 (NIV)

- _____ the _____ to live _____ in the _____ with _____ for the _____.

MY NEXT STEP THIS WEEK IS ...

- To discover my place in History
 - Get involved in a daily Bible reading program.
- To keep my heart open to those who view American history differently than I do.
- To discover what it means to be a follower of Jesus Christ.
 - Check the box on the back of the Communication Card.
- To become a part of a Church Family.
 - PICNIC ON THE PATIO is coming-up on Sunday, September 9th. This is for anyone who has attended GNG six months or less. Write your Name on your Communication Card, the number in your family who will be attending and the word PICNIC in big letters or call the Church Office at (937) 393-5383.