

JORDAN RIVER - CROSSING

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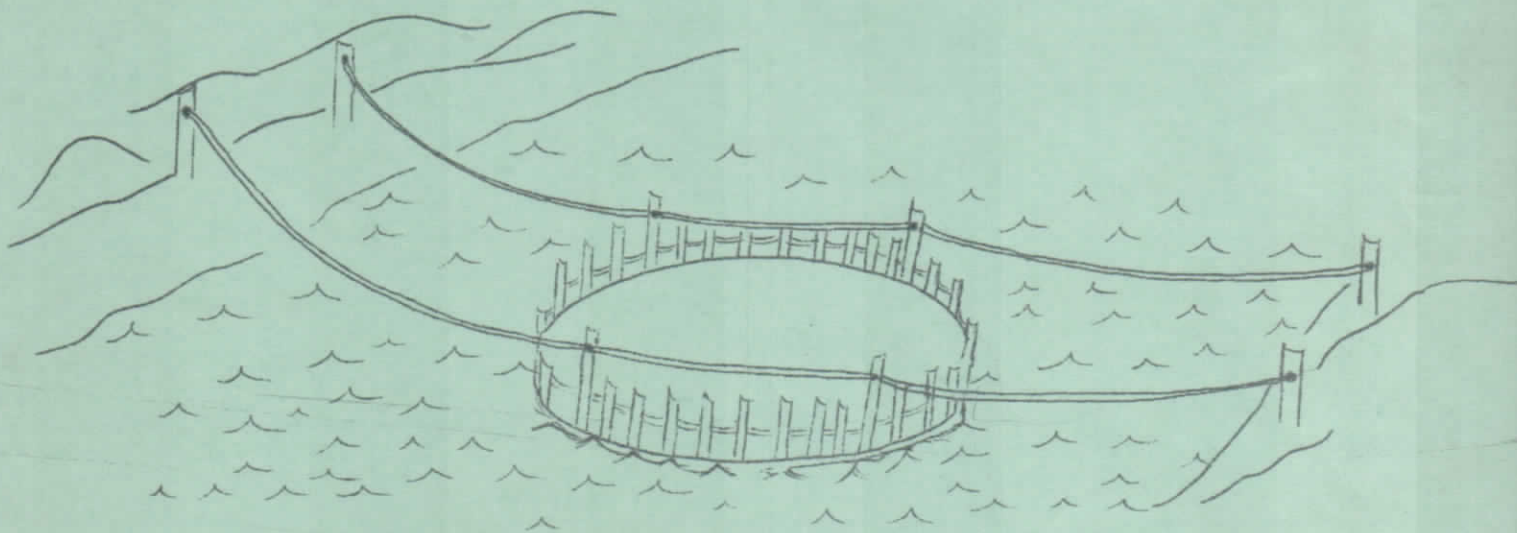
HOW CAN YOU CROSS THE JORDAN RIVER VALLEY?

In Bible times the Jordan River valley was like a wall for the people who lived in Israel. In most places it was hard to climb down into the valley and then up again. It was far too difficult and dangerous to try to cross the Jordan River on a boat or raft. It was impossible to swim across in most places.

There are a few places where the river was usually about three feet deep. For most of the year people could wade across the Jordan at these places. A spot in the river that is shallow enough to cross by wading is called a ford. There were several fords along the Jordan River.

About the time of Jesus, men began to build bridges across the Jordan River. There are now several bridges across the Jordan River.

There used to be a ferry at one place in the Jordan River. Here it is not too deep. There are fewer rocks. This ferry was really pulled across the river by ropes like this -



TURN CARD OVER

LOOK UP

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II Samuel

Who crossed the Jordan River?

How did they get across the river?

Joshua 3:14-17

Who crossed the Jordan River?

How did they get across?