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Key Bible Verse:
Joshua 17:18 (NIV)
"But the forested hill country as well; clear it, and its farthest limits will be yours; though the Canaanites have iron chariots and are strong, you can drive them out."

Creative Ways to Memorize:

1. Rhyme Song:
- Create a simple rhyme or melody to the tune of a familiar children's song like "Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star."
- Example:

Clear the hills and make them yours,
Trust in God, for He ensures,
Though the chariots are strong,
You will drive them right along.
Joshua seventeen, eighteen,
Clear the hills, have faith unseen.

2. Hand Motions:
- Assign hand motions for key phrases to help remember:
- "Forested hill country" - Mimic trees with arms raised like branches.
- "Clear it" - Pretend to sweep with a broom.
- "Iron chariots" - Make a strong fist motion.
- "You can drive them out" - Push hands forward as if moving something.

3. Word Puzzle Challenge:
- Create a simple crossword or word search using parts of the verse.
- Have students locate or unscramble parts of the verse within a time limit.

4. Drama Skit:
- Act out the story or scenario of clearing the hill country.
- Have students take turns playing roles of the Israelites and Canaanites, illustrating the trust in God's promise.

5. Art and Drawing:
- Encourage students to draw a picture of a hill country with trees and label a small path marking the journey of the Israelites.
- Accompany the drawing with the verse below.

These activities can help make memorization fun and engaging for elementary students while reinforcing the lesson.