



*Washington and his men crossed the Delaware River on Christmas night,
launching a surprise attack—turning the tide of the war*

On Christmas night 1776, Washington led his soldiers across the stormy river.

The river was filled with floating slabs of ice. Crack. Thud. Chunks slammed against the boats. The oars dipped into freezing black water.

“Keep rowing,” he said as they made their way across the treacherous waters.

When the army reached the far shore, something remarkable happened—against all odds, that ragged, frozen band of soldiers defeated the British.

That daring victory changed everything. The war was no longer lost.