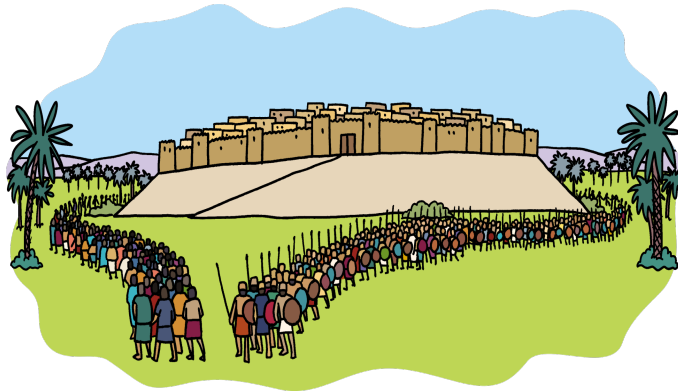
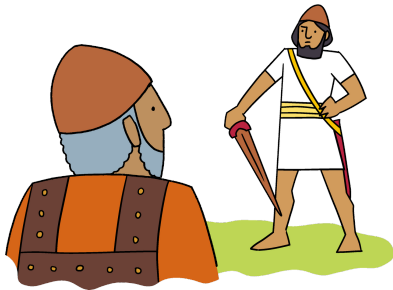
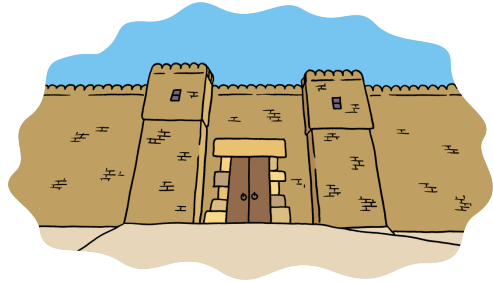


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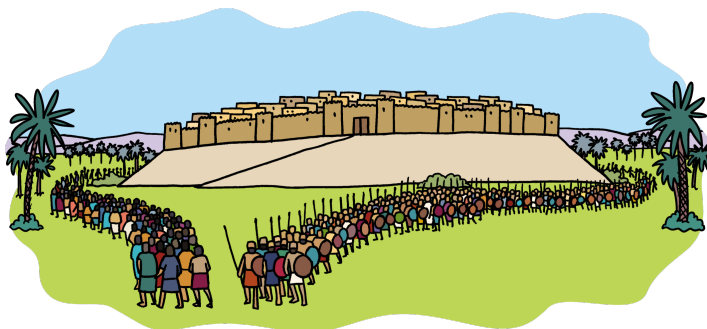
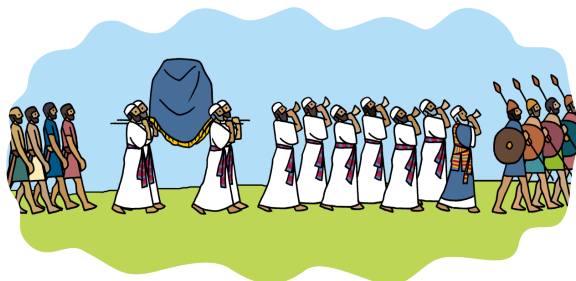
## Lesson #4: JERICO FALLS (Joshua 5:13-6:27)

The Bible says that the Israelites were now in the Promised Land. But the people who lived there didn't love God. Joshua knew he must fight the people before the Israelites could live there. The first big city was Jericho. There were tall walls around the whole city.

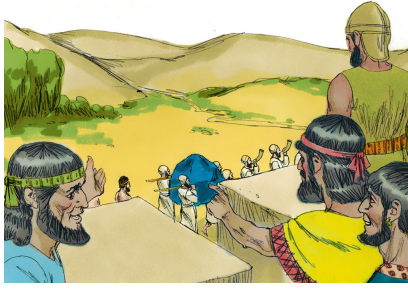


As Joshua was thinking about how he would conquer Jericho, he noticed a man standing nearby. The man had a sword. "Are you on our side or on our enemies' side?" Joshua asked. The Lord of Hosts answered, "I am on the Lord's side!" He told Joshua to take off his shoes because he was on holy ground. This was an angel warrior from God. He gave Joshua God's instructions for winning the battle with Jericho.

The battle plan was unusual, but Joshua followed God's plan. Joshua told the people how to line up for battle. First the army, then 7 priests with trumpets, then the priests who carried the ark of the covenant (which was covered with a blue cloth.) Then the people and then more fighting men.

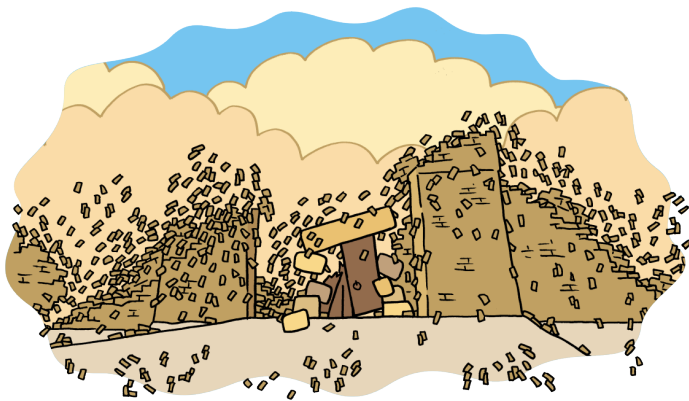


Everyone marched one time around the city of Jericho. The army and the people did not make any sound.



The people inside Jericho must have laughed at the Israelites! They probably thought the Israelites were crazy. Why were they marching around the city? But Joshua and the people did exactly as the Lord commanded. They marched around the city one time, every day, for 6 days.

On the 7th day, they marched around 7 times. When the priests blew the trumpets, the people shouted! Guess what happened? All of the strong walls of Jericho broke into small pieces and fell!



The people must have been very excited! Now they could enter Jericho and win the battle!

The Israelites found lots of gold and silver and other riches in Jericho. Joshua told them not to keep anything for themselves. Any riches that were found would be put into the treasury in the tabernacle.



Rahab had put a red cord in her window just as the spies had told her. When the Israelites saw the cord, they let Rahab and her family leave the city safely. They were the only people to escape Jericho alive.

**We should be just like Joshua  
and the Israelites.  
We should always follow God's plan...  
even when we don't understand how it can work!**



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J E R I C H O

 **Vocabulary Match**

Fill in the letter to match the word with its meaning.

1. \_\_\_ Jericho
  2. \_\_\_ Ark of the Covenant
  3. \_\_\_ Trumpets
  4. \_\_\_ Obedience
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- A. Doing what God commands
  - B. The holy chest carried by the priests.
  - C. Musical instruments made from rams' horns.
  - D. A city with strong walls



**THINK ABOUT THIS:**

1. Who was the man that told Joshua God's battle plan?  
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2. How many days did the Israelites march around Jericho?  
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3. What did the priests carry while marching? What did it mean?  
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4. Why do you think the walls of Jericho fell?  
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5. Do you think it was important for the people to follow God's instructions *exactly*?  
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