

Title: **Jericho**  
Text: Joshua 6

I. **Absolute Authority**—Joshua 5:13-15 & Exodus 3:5-8

A. "I have come": **Lead** -the way  
**Carry** -the weapon  
**Bring** -the win

B. Our battleground is holy ground

C. The troops:

- 40,000 marching men
- 7 priests with 7 trumpets
- Ark of the Covenant
- Rear guard

**Discussion Question:** Surely Joshua remembered Moses telling stories of how he received his commission from The LORD. Moses most likely told the story of having to remove his shoes as he was told the place on which he stood was holy ground. Joshua witnessed the exodus from Egypt. He was there when the Red Sea swallowed up Pharaoh's Army. He knew firsthand God's ability to deliver His people no matter the odds. Have you faced odds that seemed insurmountable? Are facing an enemy now that seems fortified or a battle that seems beyond victory? Perhaps you have seen victory and you need to encourage others.

II. **Supernatural Strategy**—Joshua 6 & Exodus 24:15-16

A. #7--*divine perfection or completeness; divine purpose*

B. While God works, He is asking us to:

- **Walk** --quietly
- **Worship** --continually
- **Wait** --patiently

**Discussion Question:** Read II Kings 5. Just as Naaman was instructed to dip in the Jordan River seven times, Joshua was instructed to march around Jericho for seven days and seven times on the seventh day. There is a need to persevere. God wants our obedience and our patience. Is there a situation in your life that requires patience and perseverance?

III. **Bountiful Breakthrough**—Isaiah 43:19

A. "New"—something God has never done...for YOU

B. A single miracle of God makes a way for many

**Discussion Question:** Who can fathom God's creativity? Read Ephesians 3:20. Paul reminds us that God is able to do far more than we could ever imagine or ask. It reminds us that no one is like our God. As we recount God's goodness throughout our life, it should encourage us to press on and expect a breakthrough. Sometimes, we need to recount all of the deeds of The LORD. Read Psalm 77:11. Spend some time recounting the wonders of the works of His hands.

*Sometimes we confuse the middle of our story as the end of our story.*

-Elizabeth Woodson

**Take away:** Our walls are not obstacles; they are opportunities for God to make a way.