

February 23, 2025

Dear Parents,

This week, we have the opportunity to explore the teachings of **"Conquering Jericho"** (Joshua 2-4; 6).

After crossing the Jordan River, God promised to give Jericho to the Israelites. Joshua sent two spies to scout the city, and Rahab protected them, expressing her faith in God. She was promised safety in return. Following God's instructions, the Israelites marched around Jericho for seven days. On the seventh day, they shouted, and the city walls collapsed. Rahab and her family were saved as promised. This event demonstrates that victory comes through faith in God, just as salvation comes through faith in Jesus.

This message will inspire your child to grow in the love and light of Jesus. Reinforce the lesson at home by discussing the following points with your child:

- □ Faith and Obedience to God: The Israelites trusted and followed God's plan exactly. How can we show faith and obedience in our daily lives?
- □ God's Power to Save: Rahab trusted God and was saved. How does trusting Jesus save us from sin?
- □ Victory Through God: The Israelites could not defeat Jericho on their own. How does God help us overcome challenges?

You might consider praying with your child, thanking God for His power and asking Him to help you trust and obey Him.

Grace and blessings in Christ.

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Conquering Jericho

BIBLE PASSAGE: Joshua 2-4; 6 KEY PASSAGE: Psalm 24:8 BIG PICTURE QUESTION: *Why can we trust God?* We can trust God because He is faithful and does everything for His glory and our good.



After God's people crossed the Jordan River, God promised to give them the city of Jericho. The city of Jericho had huge walls and was well protected. Joshua sent two spies to learn more about the city. When the people in Jericho heard that spies from Israel were

there, they tried to find and capture them.

The spies met a woman named Rahab. She hid the Israelites in her house and sent away the men looking for them. Then, she went to the spies and said, "I know the Lord has given you this land. Everyone knows it. All of Jericho is scared. We heard how the Lord did amazing things for you, like parting the Red Sea. He is a powerful God! Since I showed kindness to you, please show kindness to me and my family. When the Israelite army comes, promise to keep us safe from death."

The spies told her to hang a red cord from her window as a sign to God's people. Anyone inside the house with the red cord in the window would be safe from the battle. The men returned to Joshua

and said, "The Lord has given the entire land to us."

When the entire Israelite army came to Jericho, God spoke to Joshua: "I have given Jericho, its king, and its army over to you." Then He gave specific





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instructions on how the Israelites were to defeat this city and its great walls.

Joshua trusted God and led the people to follow God's instructions exactly as He said. Here is what they did:

Each day for six days, God's people walked silently around the city. Seven priests carrying trumpets played their instruments, but everyone else was silent. On the seventh day, they marched around the city not once, but seven times. On the seventh time, the priests blew the trumpets, and Joshua told the people to shout! When the people shouted, the walls fell down, and God's people conquered the city. All the people of Jericho were defeated, but Rahab and her family were saved.

God's people could not bring down Jericho's walls in their own power. They trusted God and were victorious. We cannot defeat sin and death in our own power. When we trust in Jesus, we are saved from sin and death.





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[Important Notice]

- ✓ Children's cell worship service starts at 12:00 noon.
- Remind your children not to play with electronic devices or toys such as smartphones or dolls, during our service.
- This Wednesday evening at 7 pm, there is a YOUTH & Children meeting in the C3 classroom of the church.
- ✓ Our prayer is that the children's time spent in our church would encourage them to trust Christ as Savior, to submit to Him, and to live out the Gospel wherever they are.



"Achan's Sin and the Defeat of Ai" (Joshua 7-8)



