SERMON HANDOUT for March 2, 2025



## QUOTE OF THE WEEK

# **"BROKENNESS IS OFTEN THE ROAD TO BREAKTHROUGH!"**

Sermon Series: Possessing the Promises of God!

(A Study through the Book of Joshua)

# "Overcoming Your Jericho Walls!"

Sermon Text: Joshua 6:1-27 NKJV Dr. Joshua Beckley, Senior Pastor

## INTRODUCTION

- † Overview Joshua 5
- † Reading Joshua 6:1-27 NKJV

The story of Jericho is an example of overcoming obstacles.

- The enemy is always placing obstacles in our way/lives.
- The key is our response to them.
- How we respond will determine whether we overcome them or not.

The Forefathers of this generation had fear and fled from these obstacles 40 years ago. Now this generation had a decision to make:

- To repeat the failures of the past
- Or to try something different.
- Try Trusting God!

### The Path Around Jericho (Joshua 6:1-4)

Jericho itself is relatively small:

- Perimeter of about 2.5 to 3 miles in circumference.
- Assuming an average walking speed of about 3.1 miles per hour, it would take around 1 to 1.5 hours to walk around the city.

#### Aerial View and Description of Ancient Jericho

https://www.reddit.com/r/papertowns/comments/5nxp3u/jericho\_the\_first\_walled\_city\_palestine/#lightbox



## **Recommended Article**

The walls of Jericho: Archaeology confirms: they really DID come a-tumblin' down" by Bryant Wood, <u>https://creation.com/the-walls-of-jericho</u>

Jericho is a wonderful spiritual lesson for God's people today.

- There are times when we find ourselves facing enormous walls/obstacles that are impossible to break down by human strength.
- There are:
  - Relationship Walls (children, spouse, friends, etc.)
  - Sometimes there are Financial Walls (low income, No income, debt, etc.)
  - Sometimes they are Spiritual Walls (addictions, doubts, fears, self-esteem, insecurities, depression, anger, and the like)

Yet, if we will put our faith in God and follow His commandments, He will perform 'great and mighty things' for us that we know nothing about and give us the victory (Jeremiah 33:3).

## PRINCIPLES TO PRACTICE from CHAPTER 5: Spiritual Reconciliation: The Act to Circumcision

- Speaks of Spiritual Redemption & Reconciliation with God
- Israel needed to make sure that their relationship with God was in right standing
- † Joshua 5:2-8 NKJV
- † Circumcision began in Genesis 17:1-14 NKJV
- † Romans 10:9 NKJV)

## **CHAPTER 6 PRINCIPLES TO PRACTICE:**

1) \_\_\_\_\_ (PRACTICE) -† Fighting Men † Joshua 6:3 NKJV † 1Timothy 6:12 NKJV 2) (COMMITMENT) **†** Seven Priests † Joshua 6:4 † Deuteronomy 6:5 NKJV † Deuteronomy 11:1 NKJV 3) \_\_\_\_\_ (PRAISE) † Rams Horns † Joshua 6:4 † 1Chronicles 16:23 NKJV † Psalm 92:1-2 NKJV 4) \_\_\_\_\_ (CONFORMITY) † All the People **†** Joshua 6:5 NKJV † Deuteronomy 4:30-31 NKJV † Romans 12:1 NKJV

### CONCLUSION