

THE WALLS OF JERICHO FALL

Joshua 6:1-27

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¹Now Jericho was tightly shut up because of the Israelites. No one went out and no one came in.

²Then the LORD said to Joshua, “See, I have delivered Jericho into your hands, along with its king and its fighting men. ³March around the city once with all the armed men. Do this for six days. ⁴Have seven priests carry trumpets of rams’ horns in front of the ark. On the seventh day, march around the city seven times, with the priests blowing the trumpets. ⁵When you hear them sound a long blast on the trumpets, have all the people give a loud shout; then the wall of the city will collapse and the people will go up, every man straight in.”

⁶So Joshua son of Nun called the priests and said to them, “Take up the ark of the covenant of the LORD and have seven priests carry trumpets in front of it.” ⁷And he ordered the people, “Advance! March around the city, with the armed guard going ahead of the ark of the LORD.”

⁸When Joshua had spoken to the people, the seven priests carrying the seven trumpets before the LORD went forward, blowing their trumpets, and the ark of the LORD’S covenant followed them. ⁹The armed guard marched ahead of the priests who blew the trumpets, and the rear guard followed the ark. All this time the trumpets were sounding. ¹⁰But Joshua had commanded the people, “Do not give a war cry, do not raise your voices, do not say a word until the day I tell you to shout. Then shout!” ¹¹So he had the ark of the LORD carried around the city, circling it once. Then the people returned to camp and spent the night there.

¹²Joshua got up early the next morning and the priests took up the ark of the LORD. ¹³The seven priests carrying the seven trumpets went forward, marching before the ark of the LORD and blowing the trumpets. The armed men went ahead of them and the rear guard followed the ark of the LORD, while the trumpets kept sounding. ¹⁴So on the second day they marched around the city once and returned to the camp. They did this for six days.

¹⁵On the seventh day, they got up at daybreak and marched around the city seven times in the same manner, except that on that day they circled the city seven times. ¹⁶The seventh time around, when the

priests sounded the trumpet blast, Joshua commanded the people, “Shout! For the LORD has given you the city! ¹⁷The city and all that is in it are to be devoted to the LORD. Only Rahab the prostitute and all who are with her in her house shall be spared, because she hid the spies we sent. ¹⁸But keep away from the devoted things, so that you will not bring about your own destruction by taking any of them. Otherwise you will make the camp of Israel liable to destruction and bring trouble on it. ¹⁹All the silver and gold and the articles of bronze and iron are sacred to the LORD and must go into his treasury.”

²⁰When the trumpets sounded, the people shouted, and at the sound of the trumpet, when the people gave a loud shout, the wall collapsed; so every man charged straight in, and they took the city. ²¹They devoted the city to the LORD and destroyed with the sword every living thing in it—men and women, young and old, cattle, sheep and donkeys.

²²Joshua said to the two men who had spied out the land, “Go into the prostitute’s house and bring her out and all who belong to her, in accordance with your oath to her.” ²³So the young men who had done the spying went in and brought out Rahab, her father and mother and brothers and all who belonged to her. They brought out her entire family and put them in a place outside the camp of Israel.

²⁴Then they burned the whole city and everything in it, but they put the silver and gold and the articles of bronze and iron into the treasury of the LORD’S house. ²⁵But Joshua spared Rahab the prostitute, with her family and all who belonged to her, because she hid the men Joshua had sent as spies to Jericho—and she lives among the Israelites to this day.

²⁶At that time Joshua pronounced this solemn oath: “Cursed before the LORD is the man who undertakes to rebuild this city, Jericho:

“At the cost of his firstborn son
will he lay its foundations;
at the cost of his youngest
will he set up its gates.”

²⁷So the LORD was with Joshua, and his fame spread throughout the land.

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POSSIBLE POINTS	MY POINTS	QUESTIONS
5		1.) What did the Israelites do for seven days? (Verses 3-5)
5		2.) What happened to the walls around Jericho on the seventh day? (Verse 20)
5		3.) Why did Joshua allow the prostitute and her family to live? (Verse 25)
5		4.) Why do you think the Lord had the people march around the city before they took it over?

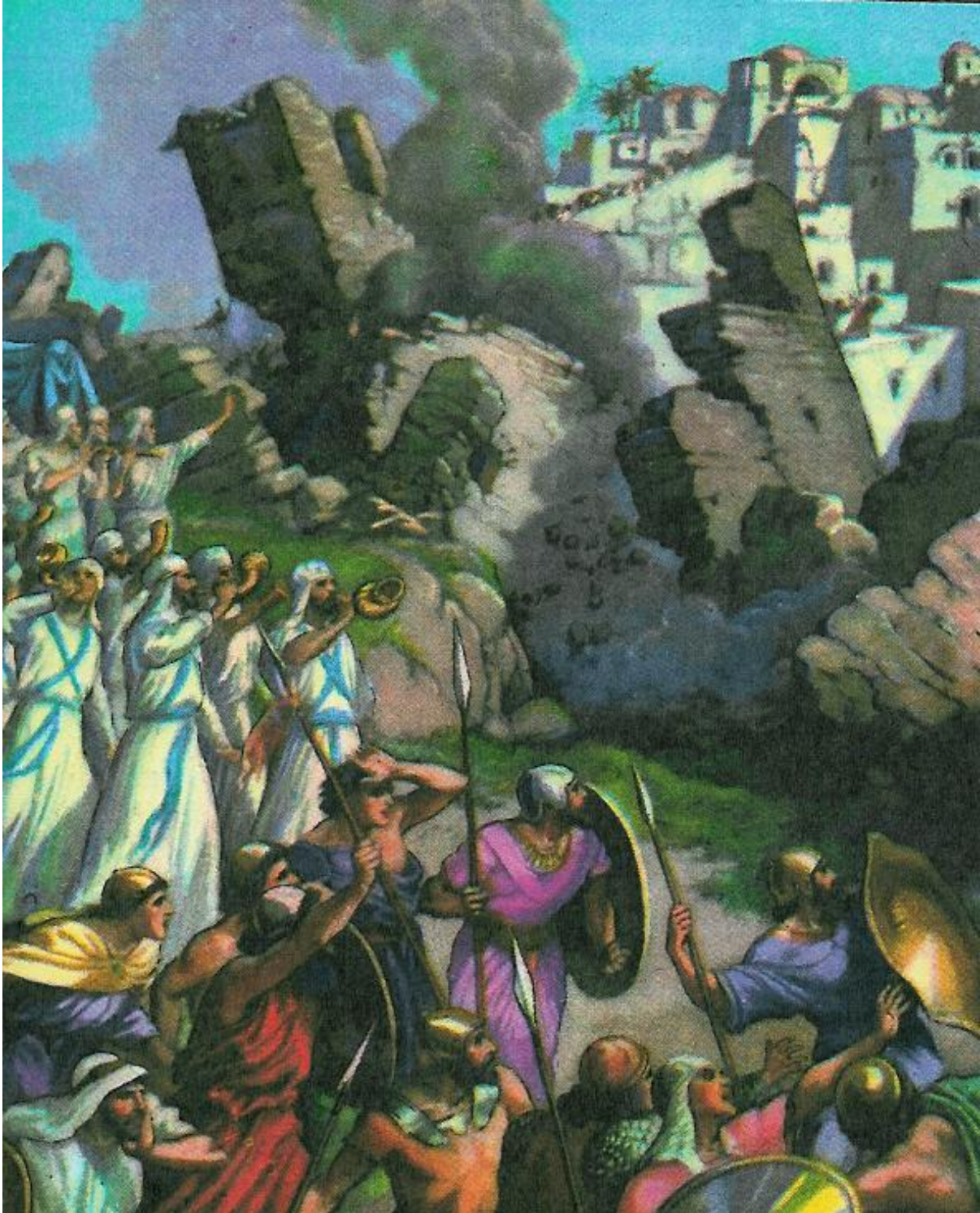
POSSIBLE POINTS	MY POINTS	MEMORY VERSE
10		“With God we will gain the victory, and he will trample down our enemies.” Psalm 60:12

POSSIBLE POINTS	MY POINTS	HOME CONNECTION	PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE
5		<i>I have read, or been read, the passage of scripture for this week.</i>	
5		<i>I have answered the questions aloud to an adult at home this week.</i>	
10		<i>I have recited the memory verse out loud to an adult at home this week.</i>	

TOTAL POINTS	CLUB CONNECTION
	LEADER’S SIGNATURE _____ DATE ____/____/____

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On the seventh day the people blew their trumpets and the wall fell

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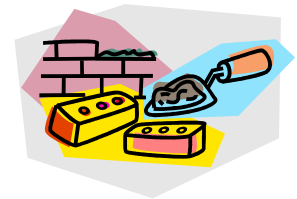
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CRAFT/ACTIVITY: MARSHMALLOW WALLS

Using marshmallows as stones, and peanut butter as mortar, students will build walls to help them remember that Joshua, and the Israelites, marched around the city of Jericho and the walls came tumbling down.

MATERIALS

1. Mini Marshmallows
2. Cake Frosting
3. Plastic knives or Popsicle sticks
4. 5 oz. disposable cups
5. Small paper plates



DIRECTIONS

1. Pass out a small handful of mini marshmallows to each student.
2. Pass out a small paper plate to build the “wall” on.
3. Place small amounts of cake frosting in 5 oz. disposable cups. (Students may share a cup of cake frosting with a partner or small group)
4. Distribute a plastic knife or Popsicle stick to each student to use when spreading the mortar (cake frosting) on the bricks (marshmallows).

FOR DISCUSSION

As students are building their “walls” remind them that the Israelites were successful in taking the city of Jericho only because God was with them.

TIME NEEDED TO COMPLETE:

Approximately 15 minutes

MEMORY VERSE

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A catapult was usually used to help break down the walls around a city. However, the children of Israel had a different kind of wall breaker. Solve the problems to discover the strange way the Israelites broke down the walls of Jericho.

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The city of Jericho was kept locked up because they feared the Israelites. They didn't want the Israelites to take over their city. The people of Jericho didn't know that the Lord had given the city of Jericho to his

people, the Israelites.

The Lord said to Joshua, "March around the city once each day for six days. Have the priests carry trumpets in front of the ark. On the seventh day, march around the city seven times with the priests blowing the trumpets. Then have the people shout. The wall of the city will fall down and you can enter."

On the seventh day, the Israelites marched around the city seven times and then shouted. The walls came crashing down. The Israelites took the city. Every living thing in Jericho was killed by the Israelites except Rahab and her family. They were not killed because she had helped the spies who were sent into Jericho by Joshua.

Joshua gave instructions to save the silver, gold, and bronze for the Lord's treasury.

Then the Israelites burned the city. The Lord was with Joshua and his fame spread throughout the land.

For more details, please read Joshua 6:1-27 in the Bible.

QUESTIONS

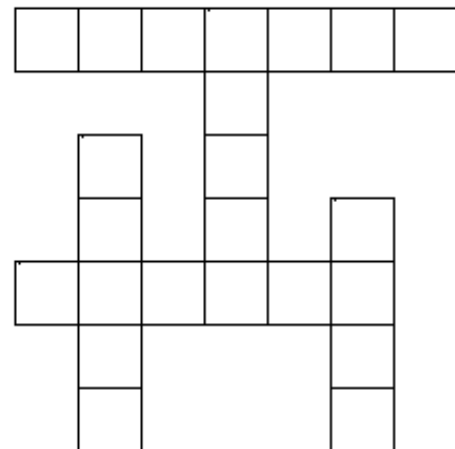
1. What did the Israelites do for seven days?
2. What happened on the seventh day?
3. Why did Joshua allow Rahab and her family to live?
4. Why do you think the Lord had the people march around the city before they took it over?

MEMORY VERSE

"With God we will gain the victory, and he will trample down our enemies."

Psalm 60:12

CROSSWORD



Across

- Musical instrument
- Leader of the Israelites

Down

- Another word for walk
- Another word for yell
- Protects a city

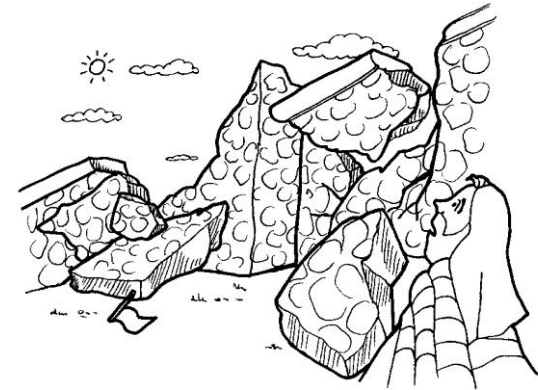
Ideas For Home:

Today your child learned how God brought down the walls of Jericho.

1. Have your child finish coloring this book.
2. Help your child learn the *Memory Verse*.
3. Practice the *Bible Story Rhyme*.
4. Read and discuss the bible story with your child.
5. Have your child build a wall with building blocks and then have him/her knock it down.

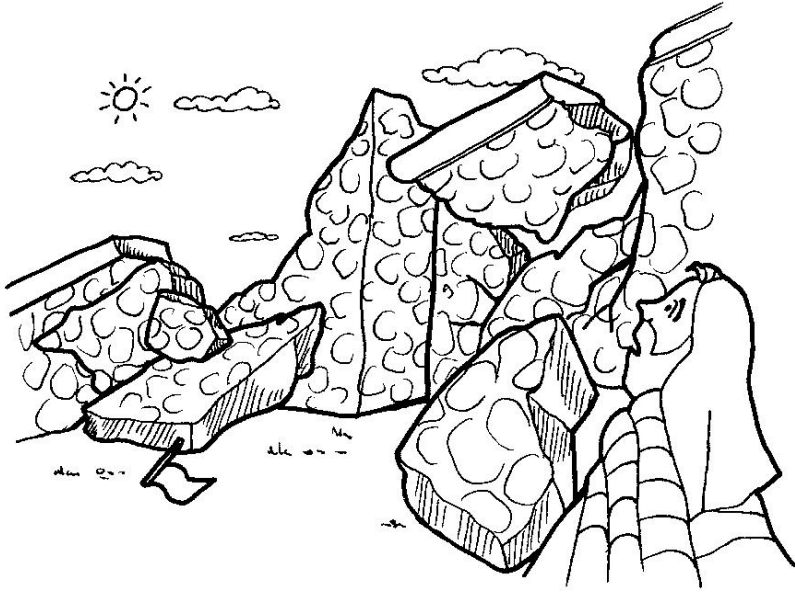
Bible Story Mini Book

The Walls of Jericho Fall

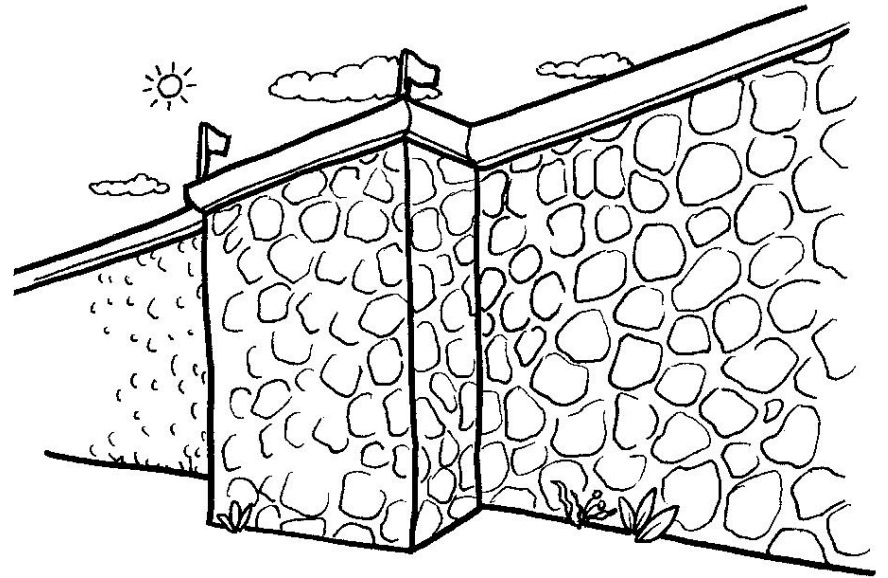


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The wall came falling down! God's people could now go into the city.



The city of Jericho was surrounded by a tall wall. God's people couldn't get inside the city.

Memory Verse

“With God we will win the
victory...” Psalm 60:12

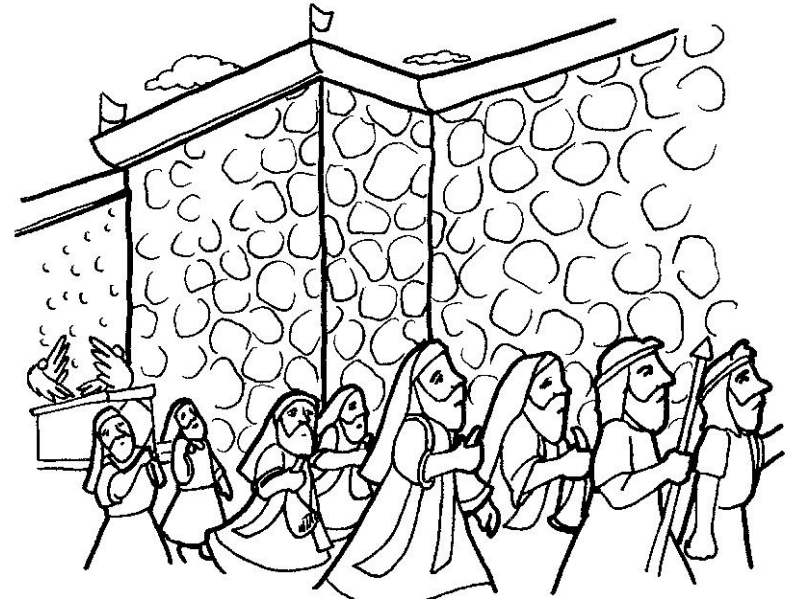
Bible Story Rhyme

Come and march,
(March in place)

Around the wall.
*(Draw a circle in the air with your pointer
finger)*

Seven times,
(Hold up seven fingers)

And it will fall.
(Squat down)



God told Joshua to have
the people march around
the wall seven times.

Have You Ever Sinned?

The Bible teaches that we have *all* sinned and do not measure up to God's glory. It also teaches that the price for sin is death which separates us from God. But even though we are sinners, Christ died for us and paid the price for our sin. We just need to ask him to forgive us and receive his free gift of salvation. Just pray this prayer, with a sincere heart, and Jesus will forgive you of your sins. You will become a child of God and live with Him in heaven.

“Dear Jesus,

Please forgive me for the bad things that I have done. Please come into my heart and be my Lord and savior. In your name I pray, Amen.”



Then Joshua told the people to shout and blow their horns.

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PRESCHOOL GAME

Supplies: Old milk cartons, small boxes, or cardboard blocks; masking tape; several beach balls; and a horn or a whistle

**Finish the story of the walls of Jericho
with a rousing round of this game.**

Line the milk cartons, boxes, or blocks up side by side and several rows high to form a wall. Mark a throwing line with masking tape several feet away from the wall. Have all the children stand behind the line. Select a child to be the horn blower, and give him or her the horn or whistle. Pass the beach balls to several children.

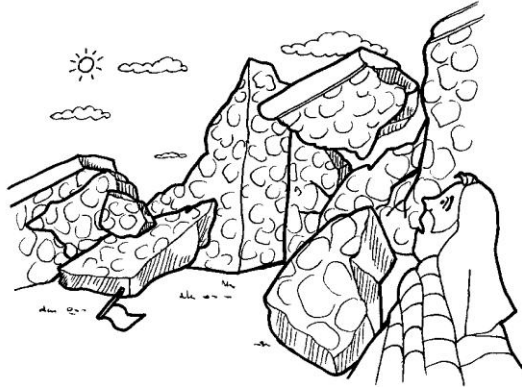
Say: **Remember how the walls of Jericho came falling down when Joshua gave the signal? Today we're going to use these balls to knock down the walls. In the Bible, God told Joshua to march around the city once a day for seven days before attacking, so we'll march in place and count to seven before our horn blower blows the horn. If you're holding a ball when you hear the horn, throw the ball at the wall. If you don't have a ball the first time, you'll have a turn soon.**

Play one round and then repair the wall and have different children hold the balls. Continue playing until everyone has had a turn to knock down the wall.

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