

Joshua and the Battle of Jericho

When things in our life change we may feel excited or anxious or just not quite sure what to expect. However, the important thing for us to remember is that whatever happens God is with us.

Joshua had become the leader of the Israelites he must have felt excited but also afraid of the enormous task before him ... he had to lead the Israelites into the promised land.

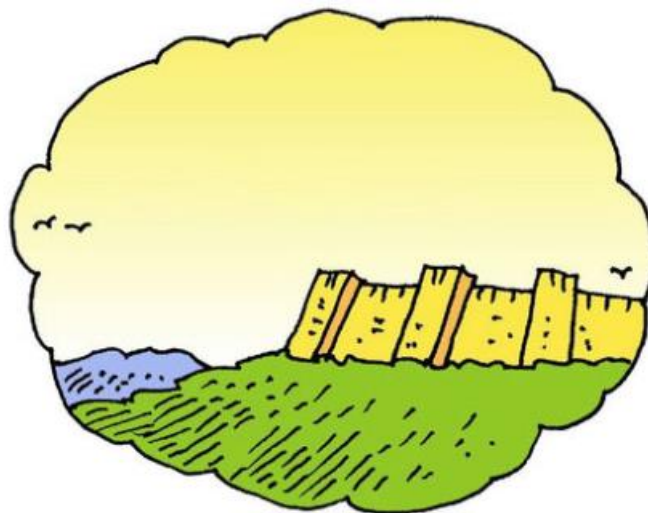
BUT God said to him...

(Did you remember the verse?)

**"Remember that I commanded you to be strong and brave.
Do not be afraid. The Lord your God will be with you
everywhere you go."**

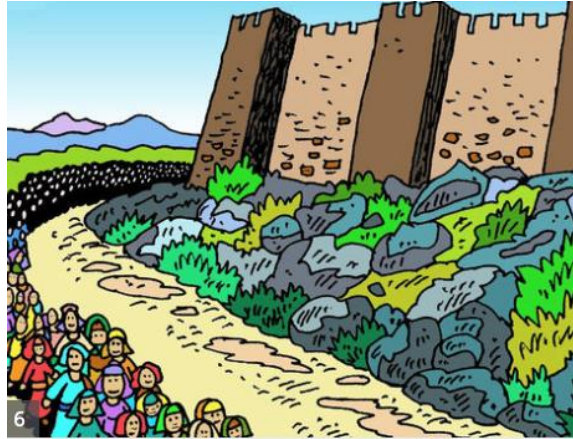
So ... what happened next?

Joshua and the Israelites were camped near Jericho and God spoke to Joshua again and said **'Look I have given you Jericho.'**



Then God gave him clear instructions about what to do next but I'm sure they weren't what Joshua expected. He thought it was going to be a big battle with swords and shields, but it wasn't.

God told him that they all had to march once round the city for six days with seven priests carrying trumpets walking in front of the holy Ark.



Then on the seventh day they were to walk round the city seven times and then give one long blast on the trumpets.



Then all the people were to shout loudly.

So ... that's exactly what they did. They walked round the city

1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 times

And... when it came to the seventh day, having walked round the city seven times...

the trumpets blasted and the

people **shouted**

very **loudly**

AND



.....the walls came tumbling down!

So the story ends well, Joshua listened to God and did what He told him even though it seemed really odd. God was in control then and He still is in control now so we can trust him completely.

Psalm 31:14-15 says

*"But I trust in you Lord; I say 'You are my God.'
My times are in your hands."*

Prayer:

Thank you Lord that you are in control in our world.

Thank you Lord that we can trust you completely.

Thank you God that you love us so much and that you care for us.

Thank you Lord that you are always with us.

AMEN



Links for Joshua

Song

'Joshua fought the battle of Jericho'

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zy5JqEtCZfg>

The story of Joshua and the battle of Jericho

God's Story - Crossroads Kids Club (5 mins)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ruqGz1480uc>

Life Kids... pencil drawing (3mins)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jwkDQaRzXg0>

Saddleback - Joshua Series - no.5 (includes the story of Rahab)

5. The walls of Jericho (including the story of Rahab)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BAkwWE2UGLo>

NB you can also find episodes 1 – 4 which tell what happened before the battle of Jericho

Longer videos which tell the whole story of Joshua – Rahab helps the spies, crossing the Jordan and the battle of Jericho

Superbook – spy Story (long - 30mins+)..

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=F7sm4tSS7IE>

Beginners bible (long - 26mins)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=s5R42Q6aeol>

Powerpoint slides with story to read.

<http://www.freebibleimages.org/illustrations/joshua-jericho/>

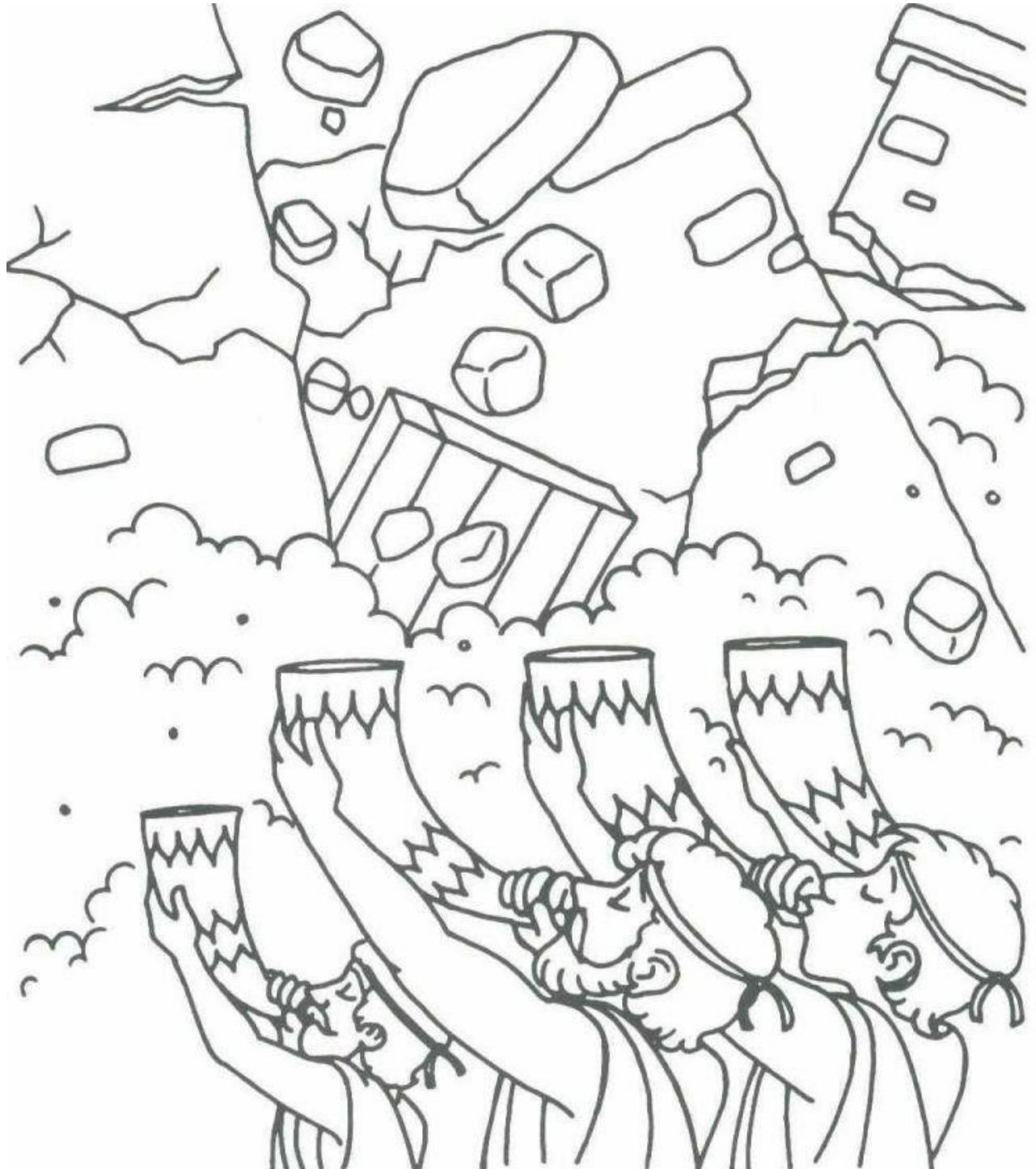
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Joshua 6:1-23



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The fall of Jericho

Walls of Jericho Maze

Find your way through the maze from the entry at bottom to the flag on top.

