



DEFENDERS OF THE FAITH
Part 6 – Joshua Conquers Jericho
Follow God’s Plan Even When You Don’t Understand

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1. The _____ belongs to the Lord.

Joshua 1:6-9 (NLT), “**6** “Be **strong and courageous**, for you are the one who will lead these people to possess all the land I swore to their ancestors I would give them. **7** Be **strong and very courageous**. Be careful to **obey all the instructions** Moses gave you. **Do not deviate** from them, turning either to the right or to the left. Then you will be **successful** in everything you do. **8** **Study this Book of Instruction continually. Meditate on it day and night** so you will **be sure to obey everything** written in it. **Only then** will you **prosper** and **succeed** in all you do. **9** This is my command – be **strong and courageous!** Do not be afraid or discouraged. For **the LORD your God is with you** wherever you go.”

Romans 8:31-32, 37 (NIV), “**31** What, then, shall we say in response to these things? **If God is for us, who can be against us?** **32** He who did not spare his own Son, but gave him up for us all – how will he not also, along with him, graciously give us all things? **37** No, in all these things **we are more than conquerors** through him who loved us.”

Joshua 5:15 (NLT), “The commander of the LORD’s army replied, ‘Take off your sandals, for the place where you are standing is holy.’ And **Joshua did as he was told.**”

2. Obey God when it doesn’t make _____.

Isaiah 30:21 (NIV), “Whether you turn to the right or to the left, your ears will hear a voice behind you, saying, “**This is the way; walk in it.**”

Joshua 6:1-5 (NLT), “Now the gates of Jericho were tightly shut because the people were afraid of the Israelites. No one was allowed to go out or in. **2** But the LORD said to Joshua, “**I have given you Jericho, its king, and all its strong warriors.**” **3** You and your fighting men should **march around the town once a day for six days.** **4** Seven **priests** will walk ahead of the Ark, each carrying a **ram’s horn**. On the **seventh** day you are to march around the town **seven times**, with the **priests** blowing the horns. **5** When you hear the priests give **one long blast** on the rams’ horns, have all the people **shout as loud as they can**. Then the **walls** of the town will **collapse**, and the people can charge straight into the town.”

Proverbs 3:5-6 (NLT), “**5** **Trust in the Lord** with all your heart; do not depend on your own **understanding.** **6** **Seek his will** in all you do, and **he will show you** which path to take.”

3. March through the mundane _____.

Joshua 6:8-11 (NLT), “**8** After Joshua spoke to the people, the seven priests with the rams’ horns started marching in the presence of the LORD, blowing the horns as they marched. And the Ark of the LORD’s Covenant followed behind them. **9** Some of the armed men marched in front of the priests with the horns and some behind the Ark, with the priests continually blowing the horns. **10** “**Do not shout; do not even talk,**” Joshua commanded. “**Not a single word from any of you until I tell you to shout. Then shout!**” **11** So the Ark of the LORD was carried around the town once that day, and then everyone returned to spend the night in the camp.”

Joshua 6:14 (NLT), “On the second day they again marched around the town once and returned to the camp. **They followed this pattern for six days.**”

Joshua 6:15 (NLT), “**15** On the **seventh day** the Israelites got up at dawn and marched around the town as they had done before. But this time they went around the town **seven times.**”

Galatians 6:9 (NLT), “So let’s **not get tired** of doing what is good. At **just the right time**, we will **reap a harvest of blessing** if we **don’t give up.**”

4. Execute your _____.

Joshua 6:16 (NLT), “**16** The seventh time around, as the priests sounded the long blast on their horns, Joshua commanded the people, “**Shout! For the LORD has given you the town!**”

Joshua 6:20 (NLT), “**20** When the people heard the sound of the rams’ horns, **they shouted as loud as they could.** Suddenly, the **walls of Jericho collapsed**, and the Israelites **charged straight into the town** and captured it.”

Hebrews 11:30, “**By faith** the walls of Jericho fell down, after they were compassed about seven days.”