

Script – The Walls of Jericho Fall

Narrator: The people were camped at Gilgal. Joshua had lead the people since the day Moses had died on the mountain. They were glad to camp for a while before they entered the land God had given them. [pause] High on a tower, on the wall of Jericho, two guards watched the Israelite camp.

Guard 1: Those Israelites have been camped there for days.

Guard 2: [confident] They can't hurt us. Our gates are locked. Our walls are tall and strong.

Narrator: One day Joshua walked towards the city of Jericho.

Joshua: [to himself] This city belongs to us. There must be some way to capture it, but how? Those walls are very strong.

Narrator: Joshua looked up and saw a man standing with his sword drawn.

Joshua: Are you for us or against us?

Angel: I have come as the commander of the Lord's army.

Joshua: [bowing down] What message do you have for your servant?

Angel: Take off your sandals; the place you are standing is holy ground. I will give you this city of Jericho, with its king and its mighty soldiers. Here is the plan for capturing the city.

[Scene change, back at the Israelite camp]

Joshua: The Lord has given me a plan for capturing the city of Jericho. You will have an important part in this plan. This is what we will do.

Narrator: One day, Joshua led the army towards Jericho. With them were priests carrying trumpets. There were other priests carrying the Ark of God.

Soldier 1: [perplexed] This is ridiculous. What good is it to march around the city wall and then go back to camp?

Soldier 2: You can't capture the city without fighting someone.

Narrator: As the people marched around the city walls, the priest's blew on their trumpets. The trumpets were made from ram's horns. Everyone was told by Joshua not to speak.

Guard 1: Every day, these people just march around the city.

Guard 2: The priest just blow on the trumpets. It makes such a loud noise. What are they up to?

Guard 1: This is the forth day they have marched around the walls. If they attack, we are ready to fight. Our army is ready.

Narrator: Early in the morning on the seventh day, the soldiers and the priests marched around the city again. This time, they did not go back. Instead they continued to march around the city; twice, three times, four times and they kept on marching. [pause] Inside the city the people were very frightened.

Guard 2: What are they doing? They are marching around the city all day.

Guard 1: This must be the sixth time around.

Guard 2: Do you think they will attack?

Guard 1: The walls are strong. We can hold them back.

Narrator: When the people marched around the walls the seventh time, they did what the Lord had told Joshua to do. They let out a loud shout and the priest blew on the ram's horn with all of their might. [pause] The walls of Jericho began to crumble and they fell flat. As God had promised Joshua, the men could walk straight in to capture it. They saved only metal items such as pots and urns made out of gold, silver, copper or brass. Everything else was to be destroyed.

Joshua: Rahab, because you helped our spies with they came to your city, God has saved you and your family. You will be kept safe.

Rahab: I am grateful.

Joshua: Come with us; you and all of your family, I will take you safely out of the city.

Narrator: Joshua was glad that God had helped the Israelites capture the city, so were the soldiers. Jericho was one of the cities in the land that God had given their relatives, long, long ago.

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