

## **Life Group Questions**

Joshua: "Strong and Courageous" Week 5: Joshua 6, Ephesians 6:10 | July 2, 2023

- 1. ICEBREAKER: Share about a funny time you were impatient (waiting in line, traffic, getting kids ready, etc.)
- 2. In this week's passage, God uses Israel to enact his just judgment on Canaan after generations of divine patience. In what specific ways has God been patient with you?
- 3. Look up the passages below and trace God's patience toward Canaan for 500+ years from Abraham to Joshua!
  - a. Genesis 5:16 (Leader Tip: God tells Abram about the future day when Canaan's sin will become complete, meaning they have firmly chosen a life apart from God).
  - b. Leviticus 18:1-5 (Leader Tip: the rest of the passage focus on specific sexual sins, many of which would have been prominent in Canaan)
  - c. Deuteronomy 18:9-13 (Leader Tip: A modern example of this list might be found in new age mysticism, crystals, inner-spiritualism, etc.)
  - d. What does tracing God's 500+ years patience with Canaan teach us about his character?
  - e. How should this practically change the way we interact with non-believers now?
- 4. God's plan for Israel to conquer Jericho is *crazy*. Share about a time when God led you to do something that initially didn't make much sense to you. How did it go? What did you learn about God and/or yourself in the journey?
- 5. To what degree do you tend to try and handle your own "battles" on your own? What might it practically look like to hand your battles more over to the Lord this week? *Consider: Ephesians 6:10 here*
- 6. What does the fact that Rahab is saved *and* included in the genealogy of God's plan to bring us Jesus teach us about the character of God?