LIFE GROUPS

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- 1. What was the greatest spiritual "battle" you have ever faced? How did you overcome it?
- 2. Explain the "make your bed" concept that the U. S. military demands of its soldiers? How does that apply to the Christian life?
- 3. Read Joshua 5:2-5. Why did the Lord have the Israelite men be circumcised not long before going to battle? If you were the general, would this be your first military command?
- 4. Read Joshua 6:1-5. Describe God's military strategy for the Israelites taking Jericho. How do you think you would have responded if you were one of the Israelites?



Make Your Bed

Joshua 5-6

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- 5. Why does God often give seemingly illogical commands to us? What is something the Lord has told you to do that does not make sense?
- 6. Read Joshua 6:6-14. What may have been going through the minds of the Israelites and those in Jericho?
- 7. Why does the Lord take so much time in the process of taking the Promised Land if he is all-powerful? Does praying and waiting seem laborious to you at times?
- 8. Read Joshua 6:15-19. Walking around the city seven times was probably time-consuming and tiring. Why would the Lord have taken that much time and energy before taking the city?
- 9. Why does the Lord command the Israelites to "devote" or destroy the enemy?
- 10. Read Joshua 6:20-23. Describe the scene. How does the saving and Rahab and her family relate to your salvation?
- 11. What does this victory communicate to the Israelites and the surrounding peoples? When in your life can you look back on and know "it was only God" who brought you through the battle?
- 12. How does the military concept of "make your bed" relate to the spiritual disciplines of devotions, worship and generosity?
- 13. What do you need to do this week in order to face your battles and "make your spiritual bed? Who will you empower to hold you accountable?

