

An open Bible is shown at the top and bottom of the image. The top part shows the text of the Bible, and the bottom part shows the spine and pages of the Bible. A wooden gavel is resting diagonally across the Bible. The background is a textured, parchment-like surface. The word "JOSHUA" is written in large, dark, serif letters across the middle of the image.

JOSHUA

Called For Such Times



THE GREAT SEA

BASHAN

GALILEE

JORDAN RIVER

GILEAD

AMMON

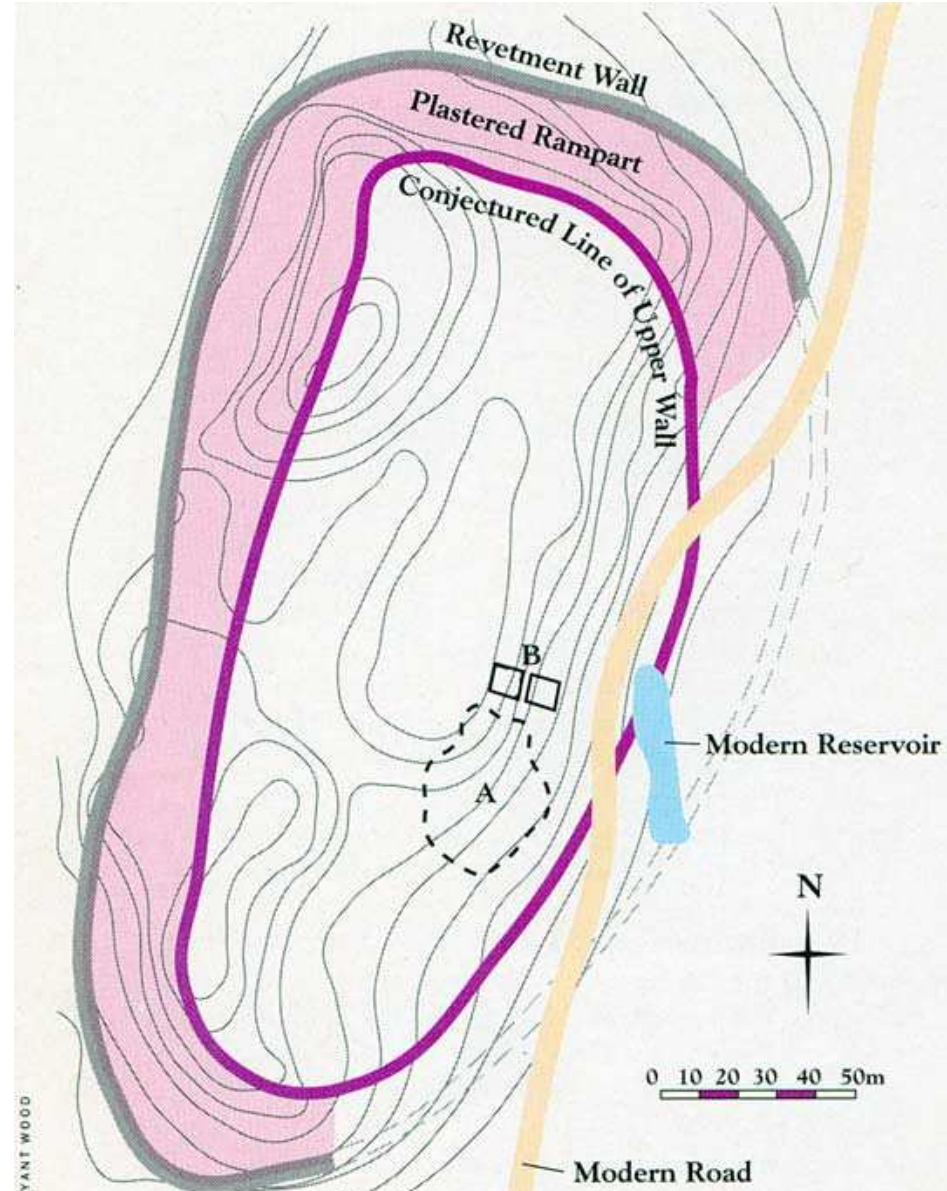
GILGAL

JERICHO



GREAT OPPORTUNITIES

- **Joshua in crisis:**
 - **MOSES IS DEAD!**
 - **Be bold and (very) courageous!**
 - **Jordon River is Crossed**
 - **Memorial of Stones...**
- **Now, Israel faces a walled city...**
 - **Only a few people had even SEEN a walled city**
 - **And Jericho was HUGE!**



PREPARATION

- **Joshua 5 – circumcision for the people**
 - Those along the way had not been circumcised (5)
 - Vs. 9 – rolled away the reproach
- **Passover observed (11)**
 - On the plains of Jericho... another “exodus”
- **Manna ceases... (12)**
 - New means of provision

Joshua meets “a MAN”

- **(13) – “a man with a drawn sword”**
 - Are you for us or them?
 - **“CAPTAIN of the host of the Lord” (14)**
 - Joshua ends up bowed and shoeless!
 - **HOLY GROUND!**
- **Some questions occur...**
 - Is this good news or bad for Joshua?
 - How do we react when God wants to lead us?
 - How do we feel when leaders lead us?

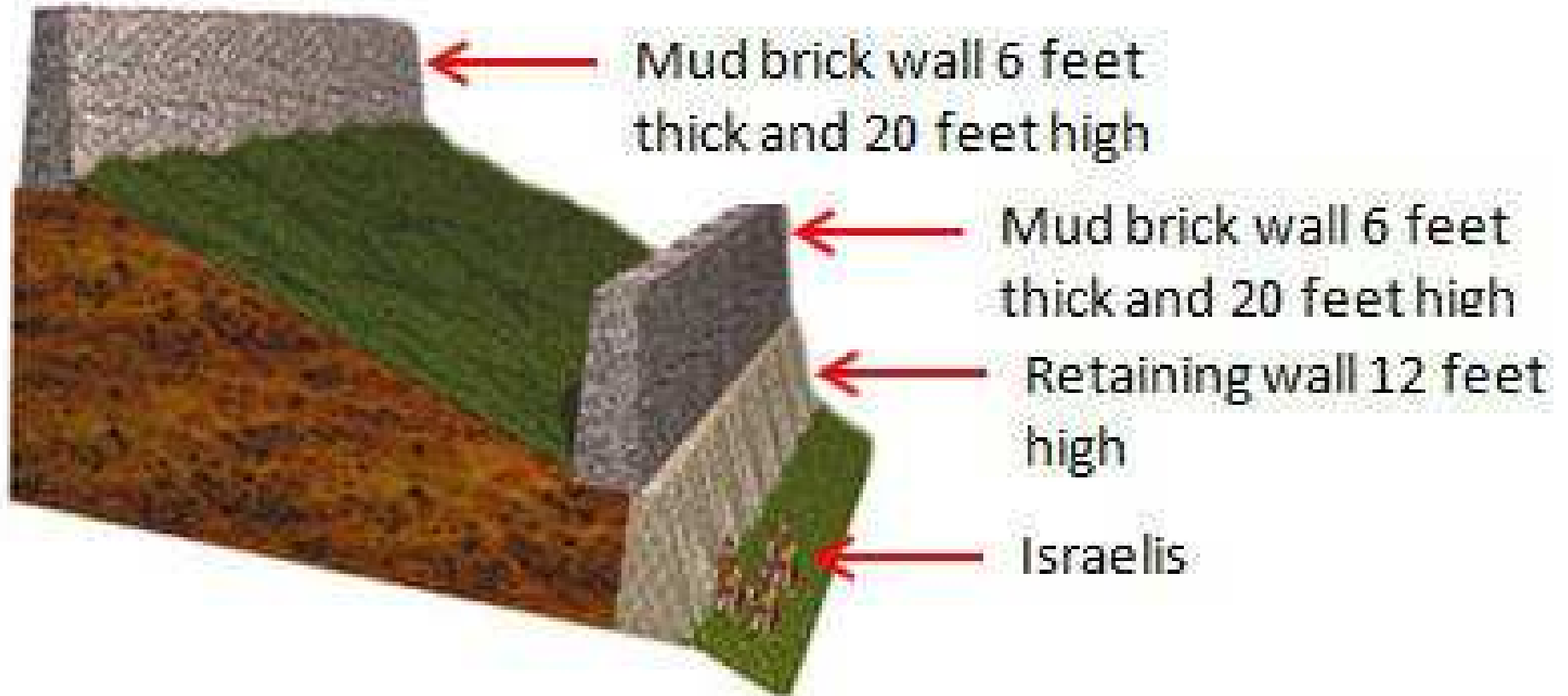
The Lord Prepares Joshua

- **Ch 6 – “the Lord said to Joshua”**
 - “I have given...”
 - “You shall march...”
 - Huh?
- **Battle plan**
 - 6 days of marching in silence
 - 7 priests with rams horns and the ARK!
 - This is a battle plan??? YES!!!

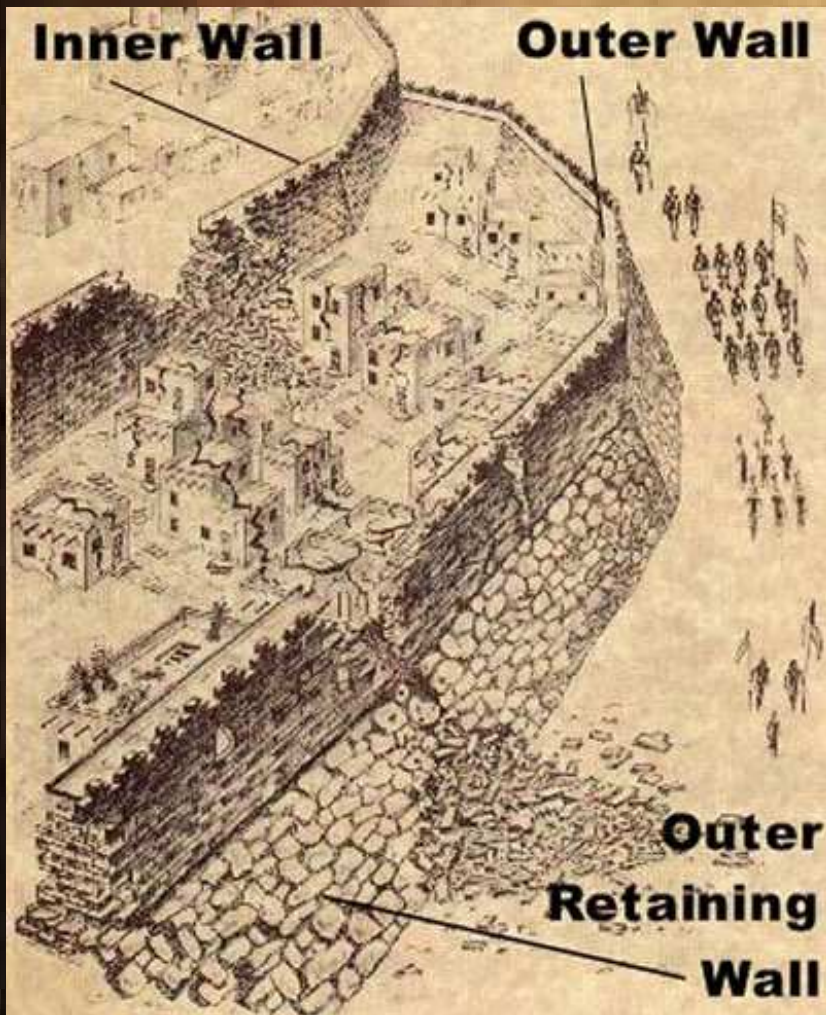
The Seventh day

- Was this the “Sabbath”???
 - 7 times around, still silent except for the horns
 - 16 – “SHOUT, For the Lord has given you the city.”
- Warning of the ban and Rahab’s “cord”
 - Nothing for the people this time (19-21)
 - 18 – camp of Israel... not just the person!
 - Are there things today that “curse the camp”?

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By faith the walls of Jericho fell down, after they were compassed about seven days.

—Hebrews 11:30

A Promise Kept

- **Vs. 22 – 2 spies sent back**
 - They knew her and the way!
 - How many relatives heard and obeyed? (23)
- **City is burned and sacked (24-25)**
- **Vs. 26 – Curse on the rebuildder**
 - Fulfilled in 1 Kings 16:34 – Hiel the Bethelite!
 - Why would anyone do this???

Next week...

Achan and Ai!