



JERICHO



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## JOSHUA 5:13-15

Now when Joshua was near Jericho, he looked up and saw a man standing in front of him with a drawn sword in his hand. Joshua went up to him and asked, “Are you for us or for our enemies?” “Neither,” he replied, “but as commander of the army of the LORD I have now come.” Then Joshua fell facedown to the ground in reverence, and asked him, “What message does my Lord have for his servant?” The commander of the LORD’s army replied, “Take off your sandals, for the place where you are standing is holy.” And Joshua did so.



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## JOSHUA 6:2-5

Then the LORD said to Joshua, “See, I have delivered Jericho into your hands, along with its king and its fighting men. March around the city once with all the armed men. Do this for six days. Have seven priests carry trumpets of rams’ horns in front of the ark. On the seventh day, march around the city seven times, with the priests blowing the trumpets. When you hear them sound a long blast on the trumpets, have the whole army give a loud shout; then the wall of the city will collapse and the army will go up, everyone straight in.”



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## JOSHUA 6:18-19

But keep away from the devoted things so that you will not bring about your own destruction by taking any of them. Otherwise, you will make the camp of Israel liable to destruction and bring trouble on it. All the silver and gold and the articles of bronze and iron are sacred to the LORD and must go into his treasury.”



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- It was the first of 10 cities for Israel to conquer
- Achan’s sin



## JOSHUA 7:10-12

The LORD said to Joshua, “Stand up! What are you doing down on your face? Israel has sinned; they have violated my covenant, which I commanded them to keep. They have taken some of the devoted things; they have stolen, they have lied, they have put them with their own possessions. That is why the Israelites cannot stand against their enemies; they turn their backs and run because they have been made liable to destruction. I will not be with you anymore unless you destroy whatever among you is devoted to destruction.



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## MALACHI 3:8-12

“Will a mere mortal rob God? Yet you rob me. “But you ask, ‘How are we robbing you?’ “In tithes and offerings. You are under a curse—your whole nation—because you are robbing me. Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. Test me in this,” says the LORD Almighty, “and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that there will not be room enough to store it.



## MALACHI 3:8-12

I will prevent pests from devouring your crops, and the vines in your fields will not drop their fruit before it is ripe,” says the LORD Almighty. “Then all the nations will call you blessed, for yours will be a delightful land,” says the LORD Almighty.



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- Tithing is NOT give and you get
- It’s given because of our relationship with Jesus
- It’s about us trusting Jesus to hold up his word.



# GOD'S PROMISES

- 2 Cor. 1:20 - For no matter how many promises God has made, they are “Yes” in Christ. And so through him the “Amen” is spoken by us to the glory of God.



# GOD'S PROMISES

- God used an unusual solution to bring down a city
- When God gives a word, he never goes back on it





**We can't experience the  
fullness of God if we are  
unwilling to give ourselves fully**



# GOD'S PROMISES

- It's not for my gain – its for His glory
- Each week we have seen God's promises come through
- Noah and the Flood
- Jacob and Esau
- Joseph
- The Exodus
- Gideon's victory
- Jericho was won obedience to God's word



# GOD'S PROMISES

- God doesn't do things the way we always think
- His word is always true
- He's made you a promise
- He's called you by name
- He's given you a hope and a future
- He says if you just follow me, you will see what I have for you
- Will we be obedient to what He asked us to do?