

BATTLE STRONG: WALK BY FAITH

LAST WEEK'S MESSAGE

There are many challenges in our lives that feel like walls or obstacles, just like the city of Jericho in the Bible. These obstacles can come in the form of strained relationships, health issues, work-related problems, addiction, a lack of purpose, or sin. But how do we overcome these barriers and experience victory? The answer lies in WALKING BY FAITH. This involves having a strong confidence in the Word of God and holding onto His promises, which enables us to obey. The battle of Jericho in Joshua chapter 6 is an example of faith and obedience in action. Here are some key elements of walking by faith that we can learn and apply.

PERSPECTIVE (JOSHUA 6:1-7)

In the opening verses of chapter 6, we find Joshua staring at the imposing walls of Jericho. While he sees a seemingly insurmountable obstacle, God sees victory! He gave Joshua specific instructions on how to overcome the city of Jericho: the Israelite army, along with seven priests carrying horns, are to march around the city once a day for six days and seven times on the seventh day. The priests will then sound the horns and the people will shout, causing the walls to crumble and the city to be conquered.

To live by faith, we need to see things from God's perspective. We need to ask "What does God see? What is God telling me to do?" Our part is to listen, step out in faith, and obey, just as Joshua did.

PERSEVERANCE (JOSHUA 6:8-20)

Walking by faith is to persevere and to obey God's commands even when we don't see immediate results. After hearing from God, Joshua and the people followed His instructions. The people of Jericho marched around the city seven times before the wall finally fell, and they did so without grumbling or giving up (vv.8-10). To live by faith means to endure even when we don't see God's hand at work. There may be times when we feel like giving up, but it's important to remain strong and walk by faith. When we endure in obedience and see success, it is because of the Lord's work (vv.15-16), and He deserves all the credit.

PROMISE (JOSHUA 6:25-27)

We can have faith in God because He keeps His promises. This sets Him apart from others who may break their promises, leaving us with a sense of distrust. God is not like this — when He makes a promise, He will fulfill it. He has proven this to be true in two instances: with Rahab, who was saved and became an ancestor of Jesus, and with Joshua, to whom God promised to be with. One of God's greatest promises to us is that He will always be with us, and this should give us confidence in walking by faith.

The Bible reminds us that we will face challenges in life that can seem like obstacles. However, we can overcome these barriers by walking in faith. The greatest barrier in our life is sin. It creates a divide between us and God, separating us from His love and presence. To overcome this obstacle, we have the example of Jesus. He became man, humbled himself, and obediently gave his life on the cross. Through His sacrifice, the barrier of sin was torn away, and we now have hope for a relationship with God. To have faith, we must surrender ourselves to Him, admitting our need for Him. Our faith in Christ alone saves us, and it also gives us the strength to walk by faith in our daily lives!

LAST WEEK'S MEMORY VERSE

for we walk by faith, not by sight —

2 CORINTHIANS 5:7

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Share one time you experienced a hurdle or troubling situation (a Jericho) and how God delivered you.

What are the obstacles or hardships (Jerichos) in your life today?

How can you walk by faith? What do you need to apply from the message today?

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LOOKING FOR ANSWERS? THINK YOUR
VISIT IS A COINCIDENCE? YOUR BEING
HERE TODAY IS NO ACCIDENT!

God brought you here for His purpose.

1 God loves you.

He desires for you to have a
meaningful life with Him in the
present and gain eternal life with
Him in the future.

*Know therefore that the Lord your God,
He is God, the faithful God, who **keeps
His covenant and His lovingkindness** to
a thousandth generation with those who
love Him and keep His commandments
—Deuteronomy 7:9*

2 God is holy.

We are sinful, and our sin
separates us from Him.

*Everyone has sinned and is far away
from God's saving presence.*

— Romans 3:23

3 God is merciful.

In His love, He made the only
way for us to be reconciled to
Him: through His son, Jesus
Christ. Jesus had to die on the
cross for our sins and be raised
to life for eternity.

*But God demonstrates His own love
toward us, in that while we were yet
sinners, Christ died for us. Much more
then, having now been justified by
His blood, we shall be saved from the
wrath of God through Him.*

— Romans 5:8

*I am the way, and the truth, and the life;
no one comes to the Father but through
Me. — John 14:6*

4 God is gracious.

By placing our faith in Jesus
Christ, we are forgiven of our sins
and saved from eternal death.

*For God so loved the world, that He
gave His only begotten Son, that
whoever believes in Him shall not
perish, but have eternal life. — John 3:16*

*For by grace you have been saved
through faith; and that not of
yourselves, it is the gift of God; not as
a result of works, so that no one may
boast. — Ephesians 2:8-9*

5 God keeps His promises.

You can be sure that you have
eternal life when you trust in
Jesus.

*And the testimony is this, that God has
given us eternal life, and this life is in His
Son. He who has the Son has the life; he
who does not have the Son of God does
not have the life. These things I have
written to you who believe in the name
of the Son of God, so that you may know
that you have eternal life. 1 John 5:11-13*



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