2017 VBS: Joshua's Walls and Choices

Session 1: Jericho:

- · Joshua 6
- Start with 1:1 God giving
- o The Israelites had to be circumcised to keep God's covenant
- · Given specific instructions
- o God was very specific in how He told Joshua to take Jericho
- o These must have been followed exactly!
- They marched for 6 days to strengthen themselves for the 7th day
- o They had just undergone a massive surgery and were sore
- o God did not give them a task that was too difficult for them to do
- They were trained
- They were told how they would overcome
- o Rom. 12:21
- o Imagine walking around and being the Israelites
- Why did the walls fall?
- o The Israelites were obedient to God
- They didn't change what God had said

§ Rev. 22:18-19

§ Deut. 4:2

- o God's Will
- Applications
- o Follow God, He knows what He is doing
- o Rom. 8:31
- God can do whatever He needs to do!

Session 2: Joshua's Choices

- Joshua 24
 - 1. Key Verse 15
 - 2. All about making the right choices
- · Summarize background as to why Joshua was faced with this decision (history of worshipping idols, etc.)
- · How to make good choices:
 - 1. Include God in your plans

§ Mt. 6:33

§ Put God first

2. Count the cost

§ Mt. 16:24

§ Lk. 14:25ff

3. Ignore other's opinions

§ Job

§ Rehoboam

- 4. F.R.O.G.
 - § Fully Rely Upon God
 - § I Tim. 4:12
 - § II Tim. 3:16-17
 - § II Tim. 2:15
- 5. Be Goal oriented
 - § Rev. 2:10
 - § Phil. 2:5-8
 - § Eyeing the goal

We need to make the right decisions!

One good focal point for the little kids (and big kids alike) on the 2nd session is fully relying on God (or being a F.R.O.G.). So many crafts and lessons can be taken from this.

http://www.biblecharts.org/thebible/interestingfactsaboutjoshua.pdf http://www.biblecharts.org/oldtestament/battlesduringjoshuasconquestofcanaan.pdf http://www.biblecharts.org/oldtestament/joshuasgreatcharge.pdf Memory Verse

http://www.biblecharts.org/biblelandnotes/Jericho.pdf This one is very helpful for the first session

Resources:

http://www.dltk-bible.com/mazes/maze-bible.htm

http://www.dltk-bible.com/word-search/index.htm

http://www.dltk-bible.com/word-search/index.htm

http://www.dltk-bible.com/cryptograms/cryptogram-index.htm

http://www.dltk-bible.com/crosswords/crossword-index.htm

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1cjDSXioAm52EspOWTPoSnxW2TX4RaXoDsw/view

Second Session Craft:

http://www.makinglearningfun.com/themepages/ConstructionCraftStickHouse.htm

Schedule for VBS:

830AM – 900AM Registration

900AM – 915AM Singing

915AM - 1010AM Session I

1010AM - 1020AM Break

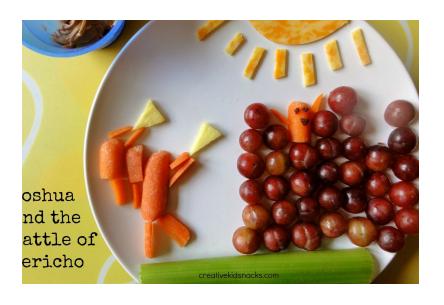
1020AM - 1110AM Session II

1110AM – 1130AM Wrap Up

1130AM – Lunch









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Joshua Obeys God at Jericho

— Joshua 5

Seven Times Around

God told Joshua to march his army around the city of Jericho once each day for six days. On the seventh day, they were to march around the city seven times. The seventh time around, the priests blew their trumpets and the people shouted. To find out what happened then, circle every other

letter beginning at start. Copy the letters onto the spaces below. The first circled letter is done for you.



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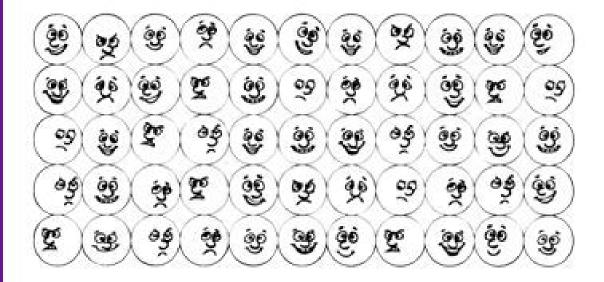
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Joshua's Answer

God Is with Moses and Joshua

-Deuteronomy 31, 34; Joshua 1

When it was time for Moses to die, God told Joshua to lead His people. God told Joshua to be strong and brave. God told Joshua to tell the people to obey, and to lead them with courage. What was Joshua's answer? To find out, take away (use a dark color to fill in) every face that isn't smiling. When you're finished, you'll be able to read Joshua's answer among the smiling faces.



What should your answer be when God asks you to do something?



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