

Glenn's Recap 23rd Sept 2018

In Joshua 6 Joshua faces his first obstacle Jericho, the oldest and most secure fortified city in the natural, but Joshua and the people **do exactly as the Lord says**.

Following the Lord's instruction they march as we read in Joshua 6, for six days everyone is silent. No one speaks a word. All that can be heard is the sound of the horns and the marching feet. Finally, on the seventh day, after marching around the city seven times, the horns sound, the fighting men shout, and the walls fall. These walls were structured on a three tiered plan. A mix of thick earth banks and brick and stone walls each around 6ft thick and the highest elevation being 46ft high a wonder of fortified structural engineering

In the natural Jericho seemed impenetrable. I believe that it wasn't the noise itself but their obedience to God's instruction that bought these walls tumbling down. Zech4:6 NOT by Might nor by power but by my Spirit says the Lord

In Joshua 6 we also get an insight of a 'Legacy of Faith' with another of the mentioned in Hebrews 11:31 By faith the prostitute Rahab, because she welcomed the spies, was not killed with those who were disobedient.

And again in James 2:25 In the same way, was not even Rahab the prostitute considered righteous for what she did when she gave lodging to the spies and sent them off in a different direction?

From prostitution to righteousness, Rahab's heritage is not one of slim salvation by the skin of her teeth (if that were even possible as we are all saved by the same cost) but instead a prophetic picture of the coming Messiah through the scarlet cord (Joshua 2:17,18; 6:17, 22-23) and Rahab's very own descendants. Matthew 1:5 Salmon the father of Boaz, whose mother was Rahab, Boaz the father of Obed, whose mother was Ruth, Obed the father of Jesse, Jesse the father of king David ---- her lineage continues - Matt 1:16 and Jacob the father of Joseph, the husband of Mary, and Mary was the mother of Jesus who is called the Messiah.

It does not matter what you once were - live as you are now – a new creation - bought with a price – dare to imagine what legacy you will leave as you too are intertwined with God's plan of salvation

Ephesians 2:13 But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far away have been brought near by the blood of Christ.

Ephesians 5:8 For you were once darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Live as children of light

1 Peter 2:10 Once you were not a people, but now you are the people of God; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

Every blessing Glenn