### **How To Take Your Jericho**

Joshua 5:10-12 - On the evening of the fourteenth day of the month, while camped at Gilgal on the plains of Jericho, the Israelites celebrated the Passover. The day after the Passover, that very day, they ate some of the produce of the land: unleavened bread and roasted grain. The manna stopped the day after they ate this food from the land; there was no longer any manna for the Israelites, but that year they ate of the produce of Canaan.

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Josh 6:1 - Now Jericho was tightly shut up because of the Israelites. No one went out and no one came in.

## I. Sanctify yourself before God!

5:2-3 - At that time the LORD said to Joshua, "Make flint knives and circumcise the Israelites again." So Joshua made flint knives and circumcised the Israelites at Gibeath Haaraloth. (Hill of the foreskins)

## II. Look up to God!

5:13 - 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?"

## III. Align yourself with God!

5:14a - "Neither," he replied, "but as commander of the army of the LORD I have now come."

### **IV. Worship God!**

5:14b - Then Joshua fell facedown to the ground in reverence (KJV-and did worship),

### V. Get a Word from God!

- 5:14c and asked him, "What message does my Lord have for his servant?"
- Acts 13:2 While they were worshiping the Lord and fasting, the Holy Spirit said, "Set apart for me Barnabas and Saul for the work to which I have called them."
- Joshua 5:1 Now when all the Amorite kings west of the Jordan and all the Canaanite kings along the coast heard how the LORD had dried up the Jordan before the Israelites until we had crossed over, their hearts melted and they no longer had the courage to face the Israelites.

# VI. Take your shoes off in the presence of God!

- Josh. 5:15 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.
- Ex. 3:4-5 When the LORD saw that he had gone over to look, God called to him from within the bush, "Moses! Moses!" And Moses said, "Here I am." "Do not come any closer," God said. "Take off your sandals, for the place where you are standing is holy ground."
- Joshua 6:2 "Then the LORD said to Joshua, "See, I have delivered Jericho into your hands, along with its king and it's fighting men."

# VII. Obey God!

### VIII. Submit your right of free speech to God!

- Ps. 4:4 In your anger do not sin; when you are on your beds, search your hearts and be silent. Selah
- Ecc. 3:7 tells us that there is "a time to be silent and a time to speak"
- Hab. 2:20 But the LORD is in his holy temple; let all the earth be silent before him."
- Lk. 1:13 But the angel said to him: "Do not be afraid, Zechariah; your prayer has been heard. Your wife Elizabeth will bear you a son, and you are to give him the name John.

Lk. 1:18-20 - Zechariah asked the angel, "How can I be sure of this? I am an old man and my wife is well along in years." The angel answered, "I am Gabriel. I stand in the presence of God, and I have been sent to speak to you and to tell you this good news. And now you will be silent and not able to speak until the day this happens, because you did not believe my words, which will come true at their proper time."

Mark 9:2-7 - After six days Jesus took Peter, James and John with him and led them up a high mountain, where they were all alone. There he was transfigured before them. His clothes became dazzling white, whiter than anyone in the world could bleach them. And there appeared before them Elijah and Moses, who were talking with Jesus. Peter said to Jesus, "Rabbi, it is good for us to be here. Let us put up three shelters--one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah." (He did not know what to say, they were so frightened.) Then a cloud appeared and enveloped them, and a voice came from the cloud: "This is my Son, whom I love. Listen to him!"

Col 4:6 - Let your conversation be always full of grace, seasoned with salt, so that you may know how to answer everyone.

Mt 12:36 - But I tell you that men will have to give account on the day of judgment for every careless word they have spoken.

Pr. 6:2 KJV - Thou art snared with the words of thy mouth, thou art taken with the words of thy mouth.

Heb 6:12 - We do not want you to become lazy, but to imitate those who through faith and patience inherit what has been promised.

Heb 10:36 You need to persevere (KJV - For ye have need of patience) so that when you have done the will of God, you will receive what he has promised.

#### IX. Shout for God!

Josh. 6:16 - The seventh time around, when the priests sounded the trumpet blast, Joshua commanded the people, "Shout!(why) For the LORD has given you the city!

2 Cor. 2:14-16 - But thanks be to God, who always leads us in triumphal procession in Christ and through us spreads everywhere the fragrance of the knowledge of him. For we are to God the aroma of Christ among those who are being saved and those who are perishing. To the one we are the smell of death; to the other, the fragrance of life. And who is equal to such a task?