

At-A-Glance: Ages 4-5 God of Wonders Part 2: Genesis - Joshua Unit 9, Lesson 47

Joshua and Jericho

Lesson Aim: To see we can trust God's plan.

THE WELCOME TREASURE CHEST

WHISPER VERSE AND SIGN LANGUAGE: "Shout for joy!"

THE WORSHIP THE GOD WHO SENDS

Sing the Bible Memory Verse Song and other related songs.

It's Praise Time—our time to sing praise to the God who sends us where He wants us to go. I am thankful He sent you here today! God sent us directions on what to do when we come together. Giving our offering, singing, and praying to Him are great ways to thank Him. Play: "Give Thanks" as background music while collecting the offering.

OFFERING: Collect the offering.

In the Bible, God sends us directions to shout for joy. That's our Whisper Verse for today. Review the Whisper Verse together: "Shout for joy!" Include sign language. Let's sing and shout our praise to the Lord for His miracles. Sing: "I Will Remember."

WORSHIP ILLUSTRATION: *The Adventures of Delbert & Lello* puppet script or storybook

God sent Joshua with directions for how to lead the people around Jericho. God's people marched without saying a word. Let's try that. Children march silently in place. Now, let's march and sing. Just as Joshua went wherever God sent him, let's promise to go wherever God sends us! Sing: "Here Am I" while marching around the room.

The Jericho wall was tall and strong. Do you think the people were surprised to see it fall? Let's remember how God brought it down with the shouts of His people. Sing: "Joshua Fit the Battle of Jericho."

THE WORD JOSHUA TRUSTS GOD'S PLAN CLASSROOM PROMISE

Last time, we learned God held back the Jordan River so His people and the golden ark could cross into the land God had promised His people. Today, we will hear about a city there called Jericho. It had a tall, strong wall all the way around it. I'm going to open the Bible to the book of Joshua so we can learn more. Handle the Bible as a special treasure, leaving it open to Joshua 6:16.

WATCH THE WORD: Joshua 6:1-20

Read poem. Display visual.

- The gates of Jericho were shut tight.
- > The wall was guarded day and night.
- > The Lord said, "Joshua, march to Jericho.
- > Do what I say and down the walls will go!"
- They marched around the city wall for seven days,
- > But not a single word did they say.
- > They marched and listened to the trumpets play.
- > They carried the golden ark as they marched each day.
- > The seventh day, they marched seven times around the wall,
- And then they heard a long trumpet call.
- > Joshua said, "Shout! The Lord has given you this town!"
- > They all gave a shout and the wall fell down.

What did Joshua say after marching seven times around on the seventh day? ("Shout! For the Lord has given you the city.") Let's find our answer in the Bible. Read Joshua 6:16 from the teacher's Bible.

When the wall came down, they must have wanted to shout for joy! Let's say our Whisper Verse together: "Shout for joy!" Include sign language or hand motions.

THE WAY WE CAN TRUST GOD'S PLAN

CRAFT: Joshua's Megaphone

GAMES: Count and Shout, Shout for Joy!

SNACK: Trumpets of Joy CIRCLE OF PRAYER FINAL FIVE MINUTES

- COMPLETED CRAFT
- PONDER, PRAY & PLAY
- COLOR THIS STORY

GOT TIME?

SAY & DO: Joshua 6:1-20 GAME: Joshua Says!

BIBLE MEMORY VERSE ACTIVITY: Stepping Stones

STORY TIME