

In God's Big Story

God provides the Israelites with an unusual battle plan and leads them to victory over the city of Jericho, the last major obstacle standing in the way of the Israelites and their new homeland.

Wonder Truth: God Leads Us

Scripture: Joshua 5–6

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JOSHUA AND JERICHO

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WORD OF WONDER

Work together this week on memorizing this verse! Use our [motions video](#) or this [video](#) to help you!

ELEMENTARY:

He will keep his covenant forever. He will keep his promise for all time to come.

—1 Chronicles 16:15 (NIRV)

EARLY CHILDHOOD:

God keeps His promises forever.

—from 1 Chronicles 16:15

WONDER ABOUT IT!

- What's one thing you're learning about God and the wonder of His big story?
- How do you see God's story as part of your own story?

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FAMILY CONVERSATIONS

Families, use this to prompt conversations at the table, in the car, and anywhere else your family experiences life together.

- When is it hard to follow directions?
- What do you think makes a good leader?
- Who are some leaders you would trust?
- What do you think it means that God leads us?



WALK IT ACT IT MOVE IT

Tumbling Walls

Great
for
Younger Kids!

For this activity, you'll need an open space, a Bible, toys or boxes for stacking (such as interlocking bricks, food storage containers, or cardboard boxes), and sheets of paper. To help kids remember the events of Joshua 6, act out the story together.

First, build a tall, strong wall. Then pretend to be the Israelites gathered outside the city of Jericho. Choose one person to be Joshua and huddle up a few feet from the wall. Invite Joshua to repeat these words: **The only thing between us and the land God promised is the city of Jericho, but the walls are too high and thick to conquer! Thankfully, God gave us directions, so we know what to do.**

Next read Joshua 6:1–5 and pretend you're Israelites walking around the wall. Use rolled up paper as trumpets and shout out on the "seventh day" as you circle the city seven times. After that, the wall may need a little *help* falling down! The Israelites conquered Jericho because God told them what to do, and God leads us too!



INTERACTIVE PRAYER

Bricks of Prayer

Great
for
Older Kids!

As a family, build a wall together using boxes. Each time you add a box (or "brick"), list something challenging in life—things that at times can feel like walls (e.g., friendship challenges, hard assignments in school, financial challenges, being sick, etc.).

Say aloud the words in bold: **It seemed an impossible task for the Israelites to defeat the great city of Jericho. But God knew exactly how to lead them! God leads us too. Let's pray together and ask God to lead us and help us with all of the things our "bricks" represent.**

At the end, disassemble the wall, tossing each box to the ground and declaring: God will lead us in our _____ (insert the corresponding challenge from your list).

PARENT TIP: If your family has older and younger kids, combine these two activities. You can build the wall, sharing challenges. Then you can review the story then march around the wall as you reenact Joshua 6. Finally, you can knock it down, declaring that God will lead you!

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