

“All I could see was the fog... I think if I could have seen the shore, I would have made it.” - Florence Chadwick

**You may be closer than you think.**

**There is a massive difference between God’s plan for us and our plan for our lives. God wants more for His people than just a place- He wants a people that are shaped by His process to become who He wants us to be!**

**The book of Joshua is a divine call to courage by seeing God’s faithfulness as He grows His kingdom through His people.**

Joshua 6:1-7; 15-21

**1. The plan is God’s and He is able (even if it doesn’t make sense)**

**God gives, God's people get.**

Verse 3- “You shall march around the city, all the men of war going around the city once. Thus shall you do for six days.”

**2. The weapon of our faith is worship**

Verse 15-16- “On the seventh day they rose early, at the dawn of day, and marched around the city in the same manner seven times. It was only on that day that they marched around the city seven times. And at the seventh time, when the priests had blown the trumpets, Joshua said to the people, “Shout, for the Lord has given you the city.”

**Your truest form of worship to God is always your obedience of God.**

Psalms 42:8- “By day the Lord commands his steadfast love, and at night his song is with me, a prayer to the God of my life.”

**What if the battles in your life are less about conquest and more about your worship?**

*"It's always too soon to quit praying because you never know when the wall is about fall." - Mark Batterson*

### **3. The warning is guard against disobedience that leads to destruction**

Verses 18-19- "But you, keep yourselves from the things devoted to destruction, lest when you have devoted them you take any of the devoted things and make the camp of Israel a thing for destruction and bring trouble upon it. But all silver and gold, and every vessel of bronze and iron, are holy to the Lord; they shall go into the treasury of the Lord."

"Man's nature, so to speak, is a perpetual factory of idols." - John Calvin

**Shallow thinking about God always replaces God with a fraudulent idol of our choosing.**

### **4. The victory has already been secured by God**

Verse 2- "And the Lord said to Joshua, "See, I have given Jericho into your hand, with its king and mighty men of valor."

**You can stand in front of your Jericho wall and tremble in fear or you can put your faith, hope, and trust in the One whose perfect love casts out all fear.**

Joshua 5:13- "Are you for us, or for our adversaries?"

Romans 8:31-32- "If God is for us, who can be against us? He who did not spare his own Son but gave him up for us all, how will he not also with him graciously give us all things?"