

Q5

BIBLE STORYLINE

The Fall of Jericho

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Slide: Welcome

(Start kid's countdown once all classes are present.)

Hey kids! Welcome to Kid's Church. I'm so glad you could be here today.

Slide: Series Intro

Leader Tip: Choose a few kids to come up to build a tower of cups but give them specific instructions to follow. (First row will be 8 cups, second row will be 6, third row will be 4. Then, place 1 cup on top of the 4 and then put one cup on its side at the very top) See how well the group follows directions.

Before we get into our lesson, I have some questions for you guys. Have you ever had to do something that required you to follow instructions very carefully? (allow kids to answer). Yeah! We have to follow instructions when we're doing something like building lego creations, or putting together furniture, or doing a big school project. (If you used the leader tip, ask the group how well the kids did at following directions.)

Well in today's lesson, we are going to take a look at a story where Joshua and the Israelites had to follow some instructions very carefully in order to win a battle!

We'll learn more about that in a few minutes, but first let's stand and sing a song!

Song

Happy Day

Good job! I think God loves hearing all your voices praising him! Now let's say our Big Idea together.

Slide: Big Idea

All together: We only win battles when we trust God's plan. **(Repeat)**

Video

Play lesson video.

Slide: Recap

So, what did we learn from the video today? Let's review...

- What was the name of the city the Israelites conquered? (Jericho)

- What was the battle plan God gave Joshua? (March around the city and blow horns)
- True or False: We can win battles when we trust God's plan. (T)

That's definitely true! Now, we aren't going to be facing battles like the Israelites did. We won't have to conquer any towns or fight off big strong armies. The battles in our lives will be little things like being nice to our sibling when we're having a bad day or bigger things like having a sick family member. Even when we encounter problems like these, we can know that God is on our side. He has a plan for us and he knows what he is doing. All we have to do is trust in God!

That reminds me of our memory verse. Let's all stand and say it together.

Slide: Memory Verse

"Do not be afraid (shake finger no)! Don't be discouraged (thumbs down) by this mighty army (flex your arms), for the battle is not yours (point to kids), but God's (point up)." 2 Chronicles 20:15 (Repeat)

We are never alone when we face battles. God is fighting right alongside us! Just think of Joshua and the Israelite's battle against Jericho. They just had to trust in God and follow his plan. I bet they thought God's plan was completely crazy! How could they win a battle by marching, blowing horns and yelling? Well, the Israelites learned that with God on their side, that's exactly how they would win. The Israelites followed God's instructions exactly as he said and the walls came crashing down.

So, remember this story the next time you're faced with a battle in your life. God is on your side so follow his plan and you'll win!

Now, let's all stand and sing one last song together.

Song

No One Greater

Okay, let's all say the Big Idea together one last time!

Slide: Big Idea

We only win battles when we trust God's plan. **(Repeat)**

Slide: Let's Pray

Pray and release the kids to small group.