



Ice Breaker (in groups of 2 or 3 for larger groups)

What's ONE fear that you have (or want to) overcome in your life?

Talk About it!

QUESTION 1

Joshua 5:13-15 New Living Translation

13 When Joshua was near the town of Jericho, he looked up and saw a man standing in front of him with sword in hand. Joshua went up to him and demanded, "Are you friend or foe?" 14 "Neither one," he replied. "I am the commander of the Lord's army." At this, Joshua fell with his face to the ground in reverence. "I am at your command," Joshua said. "What do you want your servant to do?" 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 as he was told.

Discuss:

What positive characteristics do you see Joshua display in these verses? Which of these do you most need to grow in during this season of your life?

Why is surrendering to the Lord important to overcoming fear?

QUESTION 2

Joshua 6:1-2 New Living Translation

1 Now the gates of Jericho were tightly shut because the people were afraid of the Israelites. No one was allowed to go out or in. 2 But the Lord said to Joshua, "I have given you Jericho, its king, and all its strong warriors.

2 Corinthians 5:7 English Standard Version

7 for we walk by faith, not by sight.

Discuss:

During the sermon, the difference between "I have given" vs. "I will give" was pointed out.

Why did this matter for Joshua? Why does this matter to us?

What's something God has given you that you are waiting to see the fullness of? What are you focused on in the waiting? Are there any scriptures you're standing on?



QUESTION 3

Joshua 6:9-10 New Living Translation

9 Some of the armed men marched in front of the priests with the horns and some behind the Ark, with the priests continually blowing the horns. 10 “Do not shout; do not even talk,” Joshua commanded. “Not a single word from any of you until I tell you to shout. Then shout!”

Discuss:

Why might it have been important for the Israelites to be silent during this time?

In your life, what “noise” is most likely to keep you from doing what God has called you to do?

QUESTION 4

Joshua 6:11-14 New Living Translation

11 So the Ark of the Lord was carried around the town once that day, and then everyone returned to spend the night in the camp.

12 Joshua got up early the next morning, and the priests again carried the Ark of the Lord. 13 The seven priests with the rams’ horns marched in front of the Ark of the Lord, blowing their horns. Again the armed men marched both in front of the priests with the horns and behind the Ark of the Lord. All this time the priests were blowing their horns. 14 On the second day they again marched around the town once and returned to the camp. They followed this pattern for six days.

Discuss:

What actions can you take while you wait for a breakthrough from the Lord? What “pattern” has the Lord called you to? What do you need to keep doing even if it’s hard or the reason doesn’t seem clear?

QUESTION 5

Joshua 6:15-16, 20 New Living Translation

15 On the seventh day the Israelites got up at dawn and marched around the town as they had done before. But this time they went around the town seven times. 16 The seventh time around, as the priests sounded the long blast on their horns, Joshua commanded the people, “Shout! For the Lord has given you the town!...” 20 When the people heard the sound of the rams’ horns, they shouted as loud as they could. Suddenly, the walls of Jericho collapsed, and the Israelites charged straight into the town and captured it.

Discuss:

What is the next step that you can take in your life as you move toward what God has for you?

When will you do that?

What victory or breakthrough from the Lord are you in the middle of?

As a group, take time to thank the Lord for the victory He brings as you walk with Him!