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Facing the Music

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Joshua 5:13-14a Now when Joshua was near Jericho, he looked up and saw a man standing in front of him with a drawn sword in his hand. Joshua went up to him and asked, "Are you for us or for our enemies?" **14a** "Neither," he replied, "but as commander of the army of the LORD I have now come."

Revelation 19:11 Now I saw heaven opened, and behold, a white horse. And He who sat on him was called Faithful and True, and in righteousness He judges and makes war.

Joshua 5:14b-15 Then Joshua fell facedown to the ground in reverence, and asked him, "What message does my Lord have for his servant?" **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 so.

Joshua 6:1-2 Now the gates of Jericho were securely barred because of the Israelites. No one went out and no one came in. **2** Then the LORD said to Joshua, "See, I have delivered Jericho into your hands, along with its king and its fighting men."

- **Main Point #1** Be sure to ask God to fight your battles for you. When God fights, the battle is already won!

Joshua 6:3-4a March around the city once with all the armed men. Do this for six days. **4a** Have seven priests carry trumpets of rams' horns in front of the ark.

Isaiah 55:9 "As the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts."

Joshua 6:4b-5 On the seventh day, march around the city seven times, with the priests blowing the trumpets. **5** When you hear them sound a long blast on the trumpets, have the whole army give a loud shout; then the wall of the city will collapse and the army will go up, everyone straight in."

- **Main Point #2** God wants us to "participate" in what He is doing. He might be waiting for us to move before He will.

Joshua 6:6-9 So Joshua son of Nun called the priests and said to them, "Take up the ark of the covenant of the LORD and have seven priests carry trumpets in front of it." **7** And he ordered the army, "Advance! March around the city, with an armed guard going ahead of the ark of the LORD." **8** When Joshua had spoken to the people, the seven priests carrying the seven trumpets before the LORD went forward, blowing their trumpets, and the ark of the LORD's covenant followed them. **9** The armed guard marched ahead of the priests who blew the trumpets, and the rear

guard followed the ark. All this time the trumpets were sounding.

Joshua 2:8-9 Rahab went up on the roof to talk with them. "I know the LORD has given you this land," she told them. "We are all afraid of you. Everyone in the land is living in terror.

Joshua 6:10-11 But Joshua had commanded the army, "Do not give a war cry, do not raise your voices, do not say a word until the day I tell you to shout. Then shout!" 11 So he had the ark of the LORD carried around the city, circling it once. Then the army returned to camp and spent the night there.

2 Peter 3:9 The Lord is not slow in keeping his promise, as some understand slowness. Instead he is patient with you, not wanting anyone to perish, but everyone to come to repentance.

- **Main Point #3** God is fair and just. He gives everyone multiple chances. Do the RIGHT THING, accept His generous offer!

Joshua 6:12-16 Joshua got up early the next morning and the priests took up the ark of the LORD. 13 The seven priests carrying the seven trumpets went forward, marching before the ark of the LORD and blowing the trumpets. The armed men went ahead of them and the rear guard followed the ark of the LORD, while the trumpets kept sounding. 14 So on the second day they marched around the city once and returned to the camp. They did this for six days. 15 On the seventh day, they got up at daybreak and marched around the city seven times in the same manner, except that on that day they circled the city seven times. 16 The seventh time around, when the priests sounded the trumpet blast, Joshua commanded the army, "Shout! For the LORD has given you the city!

Psalms 98:4 Shout for joy to the LORD, all the earth, burst into jubilant song with music;

Psalms 98:6 with trumpets and the blast of the ram's horn— shout for joy before the LORD, the King.

Joshua 6:17a The city and all that is in it are to be devoted to the LORD.

- **Main Point #4** When God says to avoid something (either behaviors or things) He's protecting us, not punishing us!

Joshua 6:17b Only Rahab the prostitute and all who are with her in her house shall be spared, because she hid the spies we sent.

Matthew 1:5-6 Salmon the father of Boaz, whose mother was Rahab, Boaz the father of Obed, whose mother was Ruth, Obed the father of Jesse, and Jesse the father of King David.

Joshua 6:18-21 But keep away from the devoted things, so that you will not bring about your own destruction by taking any of them. Otherwise you will make the camp of Israel liable to destruction and bring trouble on it. 19 All the silver and gold and the articles of bronze and iron are sacred to the LORD and must go into his treasury." 20 When the trumpets sounded, the army shouted, and at the sound of the trumpet, when the men gave a loud shout, the wall collapsed; so everyone charged straight in, and they took the city. 21 They devoted the city to the LORD and destroyed

with the sword every living thing in it—men and women, young and old, cattle, sheep and donkeys.

Deuteronomy 7:1 “The LORD your God will lead you into the land that you are entering to take for your own. He will force out many nations for you—the Hittites, Girgashites, Amorites, Canaanites, Perizzites, Hivites, and Jebusites—seven nations greater and more powerful than you.

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