



K - 2ND



CONNECT TIME

Greet kids by name and play table games as kids arrive. Be sure to welcome any new families. Ask kids:

How would you feel if you had to move to a new city or country? Why?



BRING THE WALLS DOWN

Start by 9:20/10:45

Invite kids to set up a circular wall using large cardboard blocks. Then guide kids to march around the walls as quietly as they can. Tell kids when you make a trumpet sound with your mouth, they can knock the wall down and shout. Repeat the activity, allowing different kids to make the trumpet sound.

Today, we will learn about a city named Jericho that had huge walls. In fact, the walls were so big that people could build a home inside of them. Yet, the strength of the walls was no match for the power of God. We'll see how Joshua and the Israelites trusted God to defeat Jericho. God led His people to march around the city, and at just the right time, God brought the walls tumbling down.

START BY
9:30/10:55

REVIEW **3** BE, LISTEN, FOLLOW



LARGE GROUP

SMALL GROUP



BIBLE STORY REVIEW

Rahab was not an Israelite, but through faith in God, she became part of the Israelite community. Like Rahab, we are welcomed into God's family when we trust in Jesus. Read aloud Joshua 2:9-12. Then discuss these questions:

- What did Rahab say she knew about God?
- Why were the people in Jericho afraid?
- What did Rahab ask the spies to do for her family?

Rahab heard what God had done and believed He is the one true God. She trusted Him and asked the spies to keep her and her family safe. We can trust God too, because He is faithful and sent Jesus to save us from sin.



DISCUSSION

Remind kids to discuss these questions with a partner sitting close to them first and then with the whole group to encourage participation.

Did the people's marching and shouting make the walls fall down? No! Marching and shouting didn't knock down the walls—God did that with His power. The people obeyed God, and He made the walls fall.

Rahab showed faith when she helped the spies. **Why was that brave?** Rahab trusted God more than she feared her own people. She believed God would take care of her, and God blessed her for her faith.

Just like the Israelites were not able to conquer Jericho by themselves, we can't save ourselves from sin. **Why can't we stop sin on our own?** Because we all make wrong choices sometimes. No one is perfect—but Jesus is! God sent Jesus to save us from our sin. Jesus lived a perfect life, died for our sins, and came back to life so we can be saved.



I SPY THE STORY POINT

Hide the prepared sticky notes (**one color per grade**) in various places around the room --- such as under chairs, behind doors, on top of Bibles, etc. Challenge kids to find the story point notes and place them in the correct order.

Just as Joshua and the Israelites trusted God, we can trust God because He is faithful and does everything for His glory and our good. God acted for our very best good when He sent Jesus to save us from sin. When we trust in Jesus, we are saved from sin and receive the gift of eternal life.



As time allows, pass out crayons and pencils for kids to work on the activity sheet.



Take prayer requests and allow kids to pray.



Match parent pick-up numbers, with child name tag numbers.

Build relationships with parents, encourage them to take a picture of the parent recap page to go over on the ride home.