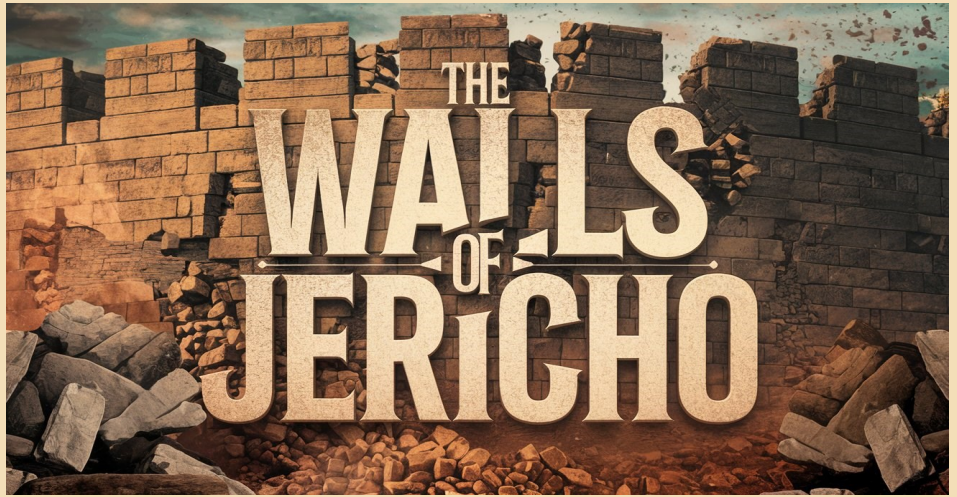


The Walls of Jericho fell after the Israelites, led by Joshua, followed God's instructions to march around the city, demonstrating faith and divine intervention. Joshua and the Israelites marched around Jericho once a day for six days, with seven priests carrying trumpets of rams' horns before



the Ark of the Covenant. On the seventh day, they were to march around the city seven times. After the priests blew a long blast on the trumpets, the people shouted, and the walls of Jericho collapsed, allowing the Israelites to enter and capture the city (Joshua 6:1-20). Following God's command, this event emphasized faith, obedience, and divine power over conventional military strategy. We don't have trumpets, but we have the power of prayer to break down invisible walls that keep our neighbors from experiencing God's love and mercy!

***Would you be a physical and spiritual presence of the
Good News outside our St. James Parish community?***

- ✝ Between now and October 25th, we encourage you and your family to walk in your neighborhood once each day for six days and pray silently for everyone who lives there. On the seventh day, walk that same route seven times, continuing to pray with hope and confidence that God is at work. You can repeat a simple prayer, pray the Rosary, or the Divine Mercy Chaplet.
- ✝ We will have a *Walls of Jericho* display in the Gathering Space. Take a moment to write your name and the neighborhood you plan to walk on a post it note and add it to our display. Once you have completed your prayer week, stop by the display and draw a heart on your post it to show how many neighborhoods we have touched.
- ✝ Please find another area to walk and pray for if you are so inclined.
- ✝ We trust God. We may never know the full impact of our prayers, and that's okay. God is the one who changes hearts!

**WALKING
IN FAITH**

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