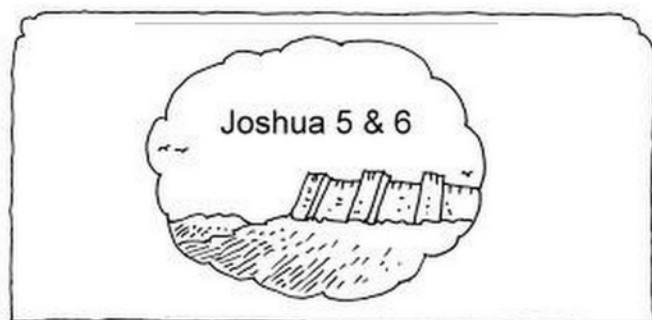


JOSHUA and the battle of Jericho

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When Joshua and the people of Israel obeyed God He gave them a great victory. But God doesn't need mighty armies to win battles.



Joshua was wondering how God would help him capture the great walled city of Jericho. He saw a man with a sword nearby. "Are you friend or enemy?" Joshua asked.



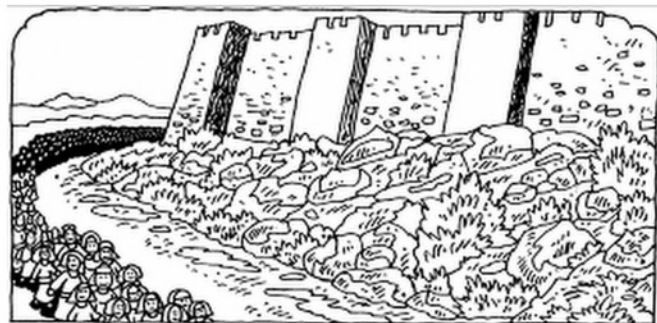
"I am God's messenger," said the man, "And the Commander of God's army." Joshua fell to his knees and said, "Tell me what God wants me to do?"



Joshua went and told his soldiers, "God will give us the walled city of Jericho, but we must do what He has said. And if you find a red cord in a window, save Rahab."



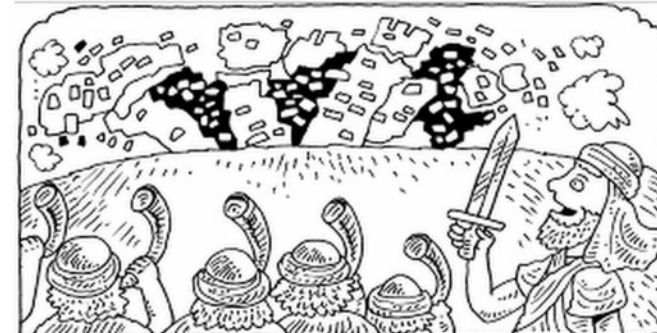
Inside the walled city of Jericho Rahab watched and waited. Joshua had promised to save her and her family, when she hid the spies.



She saw the people of Israel walk right around the outside of the wall, once every day, for six days.



Then on the seventh day they walked right around the wall seven times that day, with the Priest blowing trumpets.



And the very last time they all shouted the great stone wall of Jericho fell right down! The city was theirs not by a strong army fighting, but by God's power.