

# UNCERTAIN WORLD

LESSONS FROM JOSHUA

Obedience Looks Like \_\_\_\_\_

Sunday, May 17, 2020

KEY SCRIPTURE | Joshua 6:1-15

## DISCUSSION GUIDE

Jericho wasn't actually that great of a city. The Israelites could have taken the city without much trouble. But God had another way. The purpose of God's plan was to teach them to trust God and do things His way, even if it didn't make sense. Our tendency is to trust in our own strength and in our own wisdom. We may get things done, but God will not get the glory. When things get really difficult, it's God who gives victory and we can trust Him. Real success is found in obeying not understanding.

## DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Think back to Sunday's message. What do you remember? Review your notes if you have them. If you're with a life group, talk with them about anything you found memorable or confusing.
2. How does Joshua's order to the people compare to the instructions God gave Joshua?
3. Would you have questioned Joshua if you were in his army?
4. Has God ever told you to do something that initially did not make sense to you?
5. Read Genesis 14:22-23. Why did Abram refuse the spoil? Who got credit for Abram's success?
6. Starting in Hebrews 11:8 we read that Abraham demonstrated his faith by obeying God and moving to a place that was unfamiliar. Have you ever left a place of security to follow God in obedience? What was the result? Did you desire to return to that secure place?
7. Read Proverbs 3:5-6. In what area(s) of your life do you need to surrender to God's ways?
8. Why do you think we tend to naturally choose our own understanding over obedience?
9. What's your biggest take away from Sunday's message and today's discussion?

## NOW WHAT?

1. Identify an area where you're betting on you.
2. Confess it as sin.
3. Identify what will take its place.
4. Take the first step.

