

Let's Talk: Day 92-One Story

Rahab & the Spies – Rahab's Faith at Work & Inclusion in the Genealogy of Christ

Today's Reading: Joshua 2; James 2:25-26; Matthew 1:1-5

Rahab hid the spies from the soldiers of Jericho. Designate a "Rahab" in the family and have him or her hide two "spies" in the house for the rest of the family to find. If your family is big enough, they can be two other family members. Otherwise, use stuffed animals or draw pictures of what you think the spies might have looked like.

Questions:

1. How many spies did Joshua send out? Do you remember how many Moses had sent out 40 years ago? Why do you think there was a difference?
2. What was Jericho's response to the arrival of Israel? How did Rahab respond to the two spies? Why do you think they responded differently?
3. What does it say about God that He used Rahab greatly even though she was a sinner?
4. How would you feel if God sent you into a city to save someone even though the city was against you? How can you apply this today?

Let's Talk: Day 93

Joshua & Crossing the Jordan – Joshua's Miracle & the Memorial Stones

Today's Reading: Joshua 3 & 4; Psalm 114

Gather [or draw] 12 rocks. On each rock draw a picture or write words about something God has done for you. Post them in your house so they can remind you to be thankful.

Questions:

1. What did the people follow as they crossed the Jordan River? Can you think of what that pictures in your life?
2. What did the people do to remember their crossing of the Jordan River? What can your family do to remember how God has worked in your lives?
3. What do the big miracles of the Bible, like the parting of the Jordan River, tell you about God's power?
4. How often do you think about the fact that God's mighty power is available in your life?

Let's Talk: Day 94

Joshua & the Commander – The Commander of the Lord Appears & Jesus Worthy of Worship

Today's Reading: Joshua 5; Exodus 23:20-23; Revelation 22:8-9

Can you imagine meeting the Commander of the Lord's army? What do you think he looked like? Sketch out what you think a sword from the Commander of the Lord's army might look like.

Questions:

1. How did Joshua initially respond when he met the angel of the Lord?
2. How did Joshua respond after the angel introduced himself? What does that tell you about Joshua's relationship with God?
3. Do you realize God wants to lead you in your life like He led Israel in theirs? How do you think God reveals His path for your life?
4. Who is the only being that deserves our worship? What does worship look like in heaven? What does worship look like in your life?

Let's Talk: Day 95

Joshua & Jericho – The Faith of Joshua/Israel/Rahab & Our Spiritual Warfare

Today's Reading: Joshua 6; Hebrews 11:30-31; 2Corinthians 10:3-4

Make a city wall out of marshmallows. Use frosting or peanut butter to build them up. Use anything from your pantry to represent Joshua's

army. Give every family member “shofar” straws to blow and shout through. Follow God’s battle plan and finally knock it down, just like God did to the walls of Jericho! But, lucky you, you can then EAT it!!!

Questions:

1. What were the directions that Israel had to follow in order to defeat Jericho?
2. If you had been on the scene at Jericho, what are all the sounds you might have heard? If you had been marching around the city, what would you have been thinking?
3. According to Hebrews, what part does faith play in the story of Jericho? What part does faith play in your story?
4. 2 Corinthians says that our wall is not a physical wall. How can we spiritually apply the battle of Jericho to our life?

Let’s Talk: Day 96

Joshua & Achan/Ai – One Man’s Sin Affects Many Innocent People
Today’s Reading: Joshua 7 & 8; Joshua 22:20

Make a snack where everyone gets to choose an ingredient (without looking at each other’s choices) and no one knows the recipe. Once you mix the ingredients together, dare everyone to take a bite. Each choice affects everyone else. Our actions are the same: our good choices make things better for others, but our bad ones make things worse.

Questions:

1. What sin was committed at Jericho? Why do you think God let one man’s sin affect a whole battle? How can our mistakes or sins affect others? Think of some real examples.
2. How did Joshua deal with sin once he knew about it? What tolerance do you have for sin?
3. What happened at Ai the second time Joshua attacked?
4. Compare how much the Lord talked to Joshua during the first and second attacks on Ai. What does that teach you regarding the effect of sin on our communication with God?

Let's Talk: Day 97

Joshua & the Gibeonites – Israel's Gullibility & Not Asking for God's Counsel

Today's Reading: Joshua 9; 2 Samuel 21:1-14; Isaiah 30:1

The youngest can ask the two oldest fact questions such as, "How high is the highest mountain?" or "How are crayons made?" One answerer is allowed to use a resource, like the Internet, but the other is not. Which one is right? God is our greatest resource for truth and Joshua didn't use Him!

Questions:

1. What mistake did Joshua make when dealing with the Gibeonites?
2. What trick did the Gibeonites play on Israel? Why did they do this?
3. What promise did Israel make with the Gibeonites? How did King Saul break the promise and what did David do in response?
4. Isaiah 30 shares the pattern Israel has of taking advice but not from God. How can that be true in our life? What can we do to make sure we take advice from God first?

Let's Talk: Day 98

Today's Reading: Weekly day OFF

Weekly Review: Think back on this week's reading. What story stands out to you and why? As a family, pick a verse from the week to meditate on or memorize.