

Sermon Study

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Victory Plan
Joshua 6:1-14

vision

Eastview
Christian
Church is a
fearless church
of Christ
followers whose
ridiculous love
and dangerous
witness are
irresistible.



AUTHOR'S NOTE (summary of key points for this study)

God has a plan for victory for us that will at times seem crazy in human terms. But since He has already fought for us, victory comes only when we surrender the battle plan to Him and follow His plan.

Gather (your group getting to know each other)

1. What is your favorite musical instrument to listen to or play? Why?

2. What "best laid plan" have you had that fell totally apart? Discuss an occasion where you had a plan that you loved seeing come together.

Go
(your group on mission)

What “crazy” battle plan is the LORD calling your small group to carry out? How will you all persevere and participate in that plan?

Grow (your group growing as Christ-followers)

Key Scripture

Read Joshua 5:13-6:14

Discussion

1. What is the significance of how the commander of the Lord's army identifies himself and his reason for appearing?
2. What is the effect on Joshua?
3. Why is it important for Joshua to understand that the ground near Jericho is holy?
4. How does the statement about the ground being holy line up so easily with the Lord's first statement to Joshua of the spiritual reality of what is to happen?
5. What is the verb tense the Lord used in His calling to Joshua to “see” God's action? How does this change the upcoming battle and the approach of Joshua as a leader?
6. How does the battle plan follow from this divine encounter?

7. Thinking from a human perspective, what would you say is missing in this battle plan?

8. What is the toughest part of the soldiers' duties in this plan?

9. What purposes are served by: the position of the ark of the covenant, the number seven, the trumpets blowing, and the armed men's silence in the march?

10. Why does God have the people participate in the upcoming miraculous victory plan?

11. Describe when you realized that being on God's side and taking His direction, regardless of how extraordinary, is better than begging Him to be on your side.

12. What walls have you shut up inside and outside have you put up that you need to surrender to God's plan and have Him knock down?

Give
(your group serving each other)

Spend time praying for each other to be faithful in following the LORD's battle plan regardless of how extraordinary it appears?