

# Rahab and the Walls of Jericho: Lesson 1

**SuperTruth:** Nothing can stand against God.

**SuperVerse:** “No wonder our hearts have melted in fear! ... For the LORD your God is the supreme God of the heavens above and the earth below.” Joshua 2:11 (NLT)

**Bible Story:** Joshua 1–6

## LARGE GROUP / GRADES 1–6

The new Superbook video is called “Rahab and the Walls of Jericho.” The story is about a brave woman who risked her life to hide two Hebrew spies.

- Joy is upset when a teacher asks her to work on a project with a girl who seems unfriendly.
- Superbook takes Joy, Chris and Gizmo to Jericho as Joshua and the Israelite army are preparing to attack the walled city. They meet Rahab, who risks her life to hide the Hebrew spies. The children discover that even the highest walls are no match for faith in God!

## SMALL GROUP / GRADES 1–6

**Game:** Joshua Commands (15 minutes)

**Objective:** *Play a game following Joshua’s orders.*

- God gave Joshua detailed instructions on how to cross the Jordan River and conquer Jericho. The Israelites would need to follow these instructions perfectly, and by faith, because they were not ordinary instructions for battle! The game today is about following Joshua’s orders!

**Game Instructions:**

- This game is played like Simon Says. Children should obey only the orders starting with, “Joshua commands.” If children follow an order without those words—or do not follow an order with those words—they are out of the game and must sit out for that round.

**Teaching:** Nothing Can Stand Against God (15 minutes)

**Objective:** *Discuss God’s miracles while marching in place.*

- Discuss the miracles God did for Joshua and the Israelites to defeat Jericho. The children will march in place and stop at certain times in the lesson.

**Take Home Activity—Discipleship Challenge (5 minutes)**

- The walls of Jericho looked strong, but they came tumbling down when the Israelites acted in faith. Use this craft as a reminder to pray for God’s help whenever you face a difficult challenge.

**SuperVerse:** Superbook Supreme (5 minutes)

**Objective:** *Memorize the SuperVerse with a group activity.*

- Yes, Rahab and the people of Jericho had heard about the many miracles that God had performed. Even though the city of Jericho was surrounded by tall walls, Rahab told the spies that the people were afraid and had no courage to fight the Israelites.
- Assign each group a line from the SuperVerse below. Give them a couple of minutes to learn it and come up with simple motions to illustrate the words. Bring the groups together and have them stand facing each other in a “U” shape so they can see each other. Have the groups say their lines in order, doing the hand motion as they speak.

**Prayer:** Confidence Prayers (5 minutes)

**Objective:** *Communicate with God.*

- God spoke to Joshua to give him the confidence he needed to lead God’s people into battle to win the land God had promised to them.
- Have children find a place in the room to pray. Have them speak to God and ask for His reassurance and confidence to do what He asks them to do, big or small.

## ADDITIONAL ACTIVITIES (REFER TO THE LESSON GUIDE FOR DETAILED INSTRUCTIONS)

**Cross the Jordan:** Help the twelve tribes cross the Jordan River safely. | **Grades 1–6** | 10 min

**I Spy Game:** Being a spy for Joshua. | **Grades 1–6** | 10 min

**Marching Game:** Play a variation of musical chairs—without the music! | **Grades 1–3** | 10 min

**Interview Activity:** Get to know those around you. | **Grades 4–6** | 15 min

### Game Materials Needed:

- Bible or the Superbook Bible App

### Teaching Materials Needed:

- Walls of Jericho Pattern
- Scissors for children
- Tape
- Pencils
- Five large paper grocery bags or cardboard boxes
- Marker
- Bible or the Superbook Bible App

### SuperVerse Materials Needed:

- Chalkboard and chalk; or whiteboard or poster board and marker
- Bibles or the Superbook Bible App

### Prayer Materials Needed:

- Bible or the Superbook Bible App