



January Sermon Series

Lesson Four:
**Overcoming Your Walled
Cities**

Scripture References
Joshua Chapters 5 & 6

**“When life places a wall in our path,
we have two choices...we can beat our
head against it, or we can figure out a
way to get around it.”**

Regardless of how spiritual you may want to think you are, there are things embedded in your life that hinder your walk with God.

A stronghold is a point of operation from where Satan can keep one captive, or the believer incapacitated, a walled city.

**Let Us Examine Two Sermon Lessons From
Today's Scripture References:**

Scripture Lesson One - Joshua: 5:13-15

And it came to pass, when Joshua was by Jericho, that he lifted his eyes and looked, and behold, a Man stood opposite him with His sword drawn in His hand. And Joshua went to Him and said to Him, "Are You for us or for our adversaries?" So, He said, "No, but as Commander of the army of the Lord I have now come."

And Joshua fell on his face to the earth and worshiped, and said to Him, "What does my Lord say to His servant?" Then the Commander of the Lord's army said to Joshua, "Take your sandal off your foot, for the place where you stand is holy." And Joshua did so.

**I. THERE IS A LESSON ABOUT
SUPREMACY.**

“Supremacy” to speak of that which is “above” or “over” others. It reaches the level of the “super.” In our language it refers to that which (or who) is greatest in power, authority, or rank.

I Chronicles 29:11-12, "Thine, O Lord, is the greatness, and the power, and the glory, and the victory and the majesty: for all in the heaven and all in the earth is Thine; Thine is the Kingdom, O Lord, and Thou art exalted as Head above all. . . . And Thou reigns overall."

A. There Is A Supreme Person.
SALVATION

Before we can ever enjoy victory in our journey, we must first commence the journey. The journey begins with salvation.

**When Someone the size of God
gets in you, you will be aware of it!**

**B. There Is A Supreme
Position.**

SANCTIFICATION

**Your sanctification secures and
sustains your victory over every
walled city in your life.**

C. There Is A Supreme Power.
SURRENDER

**Our success and our victory will never
be a matter of our own power or
ability.**

“I can’t, but You can.”
We can’t, but God can!

Scripture Lesson Two - Joshua 6:1-5

Now Jericho was securely shut up because of the children of Israel; none went out, and none came in. And the LORD said to Joshua: “See! I have given Jericho into your hand, its king, *and* the mighty men of valor. You shall march around the city, all *you* men of war; you shall go all around the city once. This you shall do six days. And seven priests shall bear seven trumpets of rams’ horns before the ark.

But the seventh day you shall march around the city seven times, and the priests shall blow the trumpets. It shall come to pass, when they make a long *blast* with the ram's horn, *and* when you hear the trumpet, that all the people shall shout with a great shout; then the wall of the city will fall flat. And the people shall go up every man straight before him.”

**II. THERE IS A LESSON ABOUT
SUBMISSION.**

**Submission is to place oneself
under the authority of another.
When we submit to God, we give
our lives to His authority and
control.**

A. He Was Submissive to God's Promises (vs.1-2).

**God did not save you so that
you could live your life held
captive in some walled city.**

**B. He Was Submissive to God's
Plan (vs. 3-5).**

The Lord's Plan:

- 1. They were to take seven priests.**
- 2. They were to take seven ram's horn trumpets.**
- 3. They were to take the Ark of the Covenant.**
- 4. They were simply to take these things and walk with them around the city.**

Galatians 2:20, I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me; and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me.

**C. He Was Submissive to God's
Power (v.5b).**

**Stop trying, and you will stop
failing! Start trusting!**

“A man who walks with God is always moving in the right direction.”

“The closer you walk with God, the less room for anything to come in between.”

“I would rather walk with God in the dark than go alone in the light.”

“If you are facing in the right direction, all we have to do is keep on walking.”