

Series: NEW TERRITORY

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Message: Keep Going: One More Lap

Text: Joshua 6:1-20

DIGGING DEEPER GUIDE

BIG IDEA: KEEP GOING—DON'T GIVE UP

Getting Started

When have you cheered for the “underdog?”
Why?

Reflection/Discussion Questions

1. How do you think the Israelites felt about Joshua's battle plan: 'March around Jericho one time each day for six days'?
2. What purpose is served by the trumpets' constant blowing? By the people's silence? By their perseverance day after day?
3. What is significant about marching around the city seven times on the last day? How did the Israelites need to trust God?
4. What obstacle or “wall” are you currently facing that you can't see around? When have you been tempted to give up recently?
5. What have you found helpful in breaking down walls or getting through obstacles?
6. Where is God asking you to persevere right now, even though you can't see much progress and aren't sure when it is going to end? What will it take to keep going?
7. What are the prayer requests on your mind today?

Prayer: Lord Jesus, in moments and situations when we are discouraged and ready to give up, help us to press into you. Help us to listen to you and find strength to keep going. Lead us in the way that we should go. Amen.

Going Deeper: The Israelites marched around the city seven times on the last day. What is significant about the number seven? Look up what the number seven means in Hebrew. Think of other times it is used in Scripture.

FOCUS SCRIPTURES:

“Now Jericho was tightly shut up because of the Israelites. No one went out and no one came in. Then the Lord said to Joshua, ‘See, I have delivered Jericho into your hands, along with its king and its fighting men. March around the city once with all the armed men. Do this for six days. Have seven priests carry trumpets of rams' horns in front of the ark. On the seventh day, march around the city seven times, with the priests blowing the trumpets. When you hear them sound a long blast on the trumpets, have all the people give a loud shout; then the wall of the city will collapse and the people will go up, every man straight in.’” Joshua 6:1-5