Lead Through Conflict Courageous Leadership – Part 3

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Genesis 3:15 (ESV) I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and her offspring; he shall bruise your head, and you shall bruise his heel."

Ephesians 6:12 (ESV) For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places.

1. Recognize God's _____

Joshua 5:13 (ESV) When Joshua was by Jericho, he lifted up his eyes and looked, and behold, a man was standing before him with his drawn sword in his hand. And Joshua went to him and said to him, "Are you for us, or for our adversaries?"

Joshua 5:14 (ESV) And he said, "No; but I am the commander of the army of the LORD. Now I have come." And Joshua fell on his face to the earth and worshiped and said to him, "What does my lord say to his servant?"

Joshua 5:15 (ESV) And the commander of the LORD's army said to Joshua, "Take off your sandals from your feet, for the place where you are standing is holy." And Joshua did so.

2. Follow God's battle _____

Joshua 6:1-2 (ESV) Now Jericho was shut up inside and outside because of the people of Israel. None went out, and none came in. And the LORD said to Joshua, "See, I have given Jericho into your hand, with its king and mighty men of valor. Joshua 6:3-4 (ESV) You shall march around the city, all the men of war going around the city once. Thus shall you do for six days. Seven priests shall bear seven trumpets of rams' horns before the ark. On the seventh day you shall march around the city seven times, and the priests shall blow the trumpets.

Joshua 6:5 (ESV) And when they make a long blast with the ram's horn, when you hear the sound of the trumpet, then all the people shall shout with a great shout, and the wall of the city will fall down flat, and the people shall go up, everyone straight before him."

3. Faith brings _____

Joshua 6:20 (ESV) So the people shouted, and the trumpets were blown. As soon as the people heard the sound of the trumpet, the people shouted a great shout, and the wall fell down flat, so that the people went up into the city, every man straight before him, and they captured the city.

Joshua 6:21 (ESV) Then they devoted all in the city to destruction, both men and women, young and old, oxen, sheep, and donkeys, with the edge of the sword.

Joshua 6:25 (ESV) But Rahab the prostitute and her father's household and all who belonged to her, Joshua saved alive. And she has lived in Israel to this day, because she hid the messengers whom Joshua sent to spy out Jericho.

Action Plan for This Week

□ Have a daily time of Bible reading & prayer (Read Joshua 5-6).
□ Mon □ Tue □ Wed □ Thu □ Fri □ Sat □ Sun

□ Invite a friend to attend the service next week.

How will I obey God's Word this week? _______

Lead Through Conflict Study Guide Courageous Leadership – Part 4

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- Intro. What is the biggest obstacle you have ever faced? How did you make it through your trial?
- Intro. What is the root cause of conflict in our world (Genesis 3:15)?
- Intro. What practical implications does Ephesians 6:12 have on our approach to conflict in life?
- Intro. What types of conflicts do you or others face in life?
- 1A. What do you think was going through Joshua's mind when he faced the unknown warrior (Joshua 5:13)?
- 1B. What did the reply of the commander of the Lord's army to Joshua's question mean (Joshua 5:14)?
- 1C. What aspects of this account tell us that the commander was the Lord of Hosts Himself (Joshua 5:15, Genesis 3:2-6)?
- 1D. What do Joshua's actions tell us about how we should respond to God?

- 1E. How can Joshua's experience help us respond well to spiritual battles today?
- 2A. How did the Lord build Joshua's faith in the outcome of the battle (Joshua 6:1-2)?
- 2B. In what ways would God's instructions challenge the people's obedience (Joshua 6:3-4)?
- 2C. Why was it important that Israel recognize God was solely responsible for the miracle that was about to happen (Joshua 6:5)?
- 2D. What are some ways believers struggle with obedience when faced with difficult battles today?
- 3A. What can we learn from this account on what to do when facing insurmountable problems (Joshua 6:20)?
- 3B. Why were all the living inhabitants to be devoted to destruction (Joshua 6:21)?
- 3C. How did Rahab's faith save her family (Joshua 6:25)? Why did no one else believe?
- 3D. What lessons can you learn from this story about how to be an overcomer in life's conflicts?