Why Does It Sound Like a Fairy Tale? Joshua 5:13-6:27

| 1 C | or. 1 | o:1-11 teaches us that WHY God orchestrated the fall of Jericho as He did was intended for |
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| I. | | DD INTENDED THE STORY OF THE FALL OF JERICHO TO TEACH US LESSONS ABOUT |
| | | brews 11:30: "By faith the walls of Jericho fell down after they were encircled for seven days." |
| | A. | True Biblical Faith Is Demonstrated in to God |
| | | 1) Hebrews 11:30 makes the same point as James 2:14-18: "I will show you my faith by my" |
| | | 2) God expects us to demonstrate the reality of our faith by our |
| | В. | True Biblical Faith Obeys to the Very |
| | | 1) Israel obeyed even when they did not know |
| | | 2) Israel obeyed even when |
| II. | | S NOT A MATTER OF WHETHER GOD IS ON SIDE S A MATTER OF WHETHER WE ARE ON SIDE |
| | Jos | hua came face to face with the Commander of the Lord's Army: He was actually |
| | A. | As human beings, it is easy to make our plans and to believe thatwill sign on to our cause |
| | В. | We must learn not to ask the wrong question: Is God on |
| | | We must learn to ask the right question that reflects the truth about God: Am I on God's? |
| III. | GO | DD IS DETERMINED TO TEACH HIS PEOPLE THAT THEIRIS FOUND IN HIM ALONE |
| | 2 C | orinthians 4:7 (ESV): "But we have this treasure in jars of clay, to show that <u>the surpassing power belongs</u> |
| | <u>to (</u> | God and not to us." Jars of clay or clay pots =in terms of our economy in 2015 |
| | A. | God Often Reminds His People that They Are |
| | | 1) God's people are insufficient to face 2 Corinthians 12:9 |
| | | 2) God's people are insufficient for the God has given us 2 Corinthians 3:5 |
| | | 3) God's people are insufficient to overcome Romans 7:15-20 |
| | | 4) God's people are insufficient for |
| | В. | God Also Reminds His People that Is Always Sufficient |
| | | 1) God ordered the march in the parade around Jericho to put the focus on the |
| | | 2) The Ark of the Covenant symbolized the of the true and living God with Israe |
| | | 3) It was not the shout of the Israelites that brought down the walls, but rather the of Goo |
| | | 4) God intends to bring us to the end of ourselves so that we will turn to His |
| | | a) God is sufficient for the ministry He has given: His plan and program will not |
| | | b) Christ gives us victory over temptation when we trust in our with Him |
| | | c) We shall share in Christ's victory over death when we are in His likeness |
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