

Connect Group Notes

20 July 2026

Don spoke to us on Sunday about the walls of Jericho.

Read Joshua 6:1-20

This reminds us that the biggest barriers to God's purposes are often not external circumstances but the inner attitudes, habits, and assumptions that quietly strengthen over time.

In this passage, these walls don't fall through force, clever strategy, or human effort, but through trust, obedience, and a posture of hope rather than cynicism.

As we explore this story, we're invited to consider how God still brings down the "Jerichos" that stand between His people and His promises.

1. Walls that resist God

The sermon says Jericho represents "internal walls" that barricade us from God's purposes — things like cynicism, self-protection, or misplaced trust. Which types of inner walls do you think most commonly hinder us today, and why do they feel so hard to dismantle?

2. Silence and cynicism

Joshua commanded the people not to speak while circling the city to prevent grumbling and cynicism. What does this teach us about the power of our

words, and how might silence or restraint help a community stay hopeful when facing long-standing challenges?

3. Praise before breakthrough

The only sound during the march was the trumpet — worship rather than human effort. What does this reveal about the role of praise and trust *before* breakthrough, and how can we practice this when circumstances don't seem to change?

Pray and Apply

Pray together and ask the Lord to identify attitudes or beliefs - 'walls' - that may be preventing us from seeing breakthrough in our lives and keeping us from deeper intimacy with Him.