

A landscape photograph featuring a large, dark tree in the center, silhouetted against a bright, golden sunset. The sun is positioned directly behind the tree, creating a lens flare effect. The foreground is a flat, grassy field, and the background shows distant, hazy mountains under a clear sky. The text 'ENTERING the promised LAND' is overlaid on the lower half of the image in a white, serif font. The word 'ENTERING' is smaller and positioned above 'the promised LAND'.

ENTERING
the promised LAND

REVIEW : CROSSING THE RIVER JORDAN

- I. KNOW what is the Promised Land.
- II. Making the DECISION – COMMITMENT.
- III. Focus your eyes on GOD.
- IV. CONSECRATE yourself.
- V. CROSS OVER your River Jordan.

REVIEW : CUTTING THE FLESH

1. Know what is the **FLESH** in our lives.
2. Know and acknowledge the **HOLY SPIRIT** to live the Spiritual Life.
3. Daily, we are to intentionally **DIE** to the flesh and **LIVE** by the Spirit of God.
4. As we do so, no more **CONDEMNATION** but **CONFIDENCE** to live our lives and reign and rule with Christ.

The background of the slide is a dark, textured stone wall. A large, irregular hole is torn through the wall, revealing a bright, hazy landscape beyond. The text is centered within this hole.

Tearing Down JERICHO

LESSON - PRINCIPLES

Tearing Down JERICHO

Joshua 5:13 - 15

¹³And 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?”

Joshua 5:13 - 15

¹⁴So 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?”

Joshua 5:13 - 15

15 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.

Keys to Victory – Tearing Down Jericho

1. Victory comes when we are under
the **LORDSHIP OF CHRIST**

Here the Commander in Chief is the
LORD JESUS CHRIST.

He was worshipped by Joshua
and not stopped as would be
the case of an angel
- Revelation 22:9 -

James 4:6 - 7a

⁶But He gives more Grace. Therefore He says:
“God resists the proud, but gives Grace
to the humble.” ⁷Therefore submit to God ...

1 Corinthians 12:3

... no one can say that Jesus is Lord
except by the Holy Spirit.

1. Victory comes when we are under the **LORDSHIP OF CHRIST.**

a. The Lord Jesus is the **HEAD** of the Church.

b. The Church is the **BODY** of Christ.

c. The Body of Christ is the **KINGDOM** of God.

d. The Kingdom of God is **LARGER** than any local church or denomination.

1. Victory comes when we are under the
LORDSHIP OF CHRIST.

e. When we hurt the Body of Christ, we are hurting
THE LORD.

f. Joshua 5:13 Joshua asked the wrong question
Are You for **ME / US** or against **ME / US** ?

The right question is :

Are we on the Lord's side?

If Yes, then be **Holy** ! be **Separate** !

Holy Ground is wherever the Lord

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2. Victory comes as we OBEY the instructions of the Lord.

Luke 6:46

“But why do you call Me ‘Lord, Lord,’ and not do the things which I say?”

The Lord has
a strategy and plan
for each battle

**The Battle belongs
to the Lord**

Joshua 6:1 - 2

¹Now Jericho was securely shut up because of the children of Israel; none went out, and none came in.

²And the LORD said to Joshua:

“See! I have given Jericho into your hand, its king, and the mighty men of valor.

The Lord has already promised

VICTORY

**We received
this victory by faith**

Joshua 6:3 - 5

³You shall march around the city,
all you men of war;
you shall go all around the city once.
This you shall do six days.

Joshua 6:3 - 5

⁴And 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.

Joshua 6:3 - 5

⁵It shall come to pass, when they make a long blast with the ram's horn, and when you hear the sound of the trumpet, that all the people shall **shout** with **a great shout**; then the wall of the city will fall down flat. And the people shall go up every man straight before him.”

- This battle has a **Strange Strategy**.
- The Lord is looking for our **OBEDIENCE**.
- Victory only comes as we fight according to **God's Strategy and Instructions**.

- o Obedience is a **Sign of Faith.**

Hebrews 11:30

By faith the **walls of Jericho fell down**
after they were encircled for seven days.

Isaiah 66:2b

“But on this one will I look:
On him who is poor [humble]
and of a contrite spirit,
and who trembles at My Word.

We need to bring our lives and ministries under the authority of the Word of God:-

Personal Life

Walk in Holiness

Separation from the world

Relating in the world

Salt and Light

We need to bring our lives and ministries under the authority of the Word of God:-

Family Life

Marriage

Roles & Responsibilities of
Husbands and Wives

Bringing up children
in the fear and instruction of the Lord

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Plugged Into Body Life of the church

Growing Spiritually	Sharing Christ	Serving
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Forgiving, Loving, Exhorting ... Each Other

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3. Victory comes from our VOICE OF FAITH.

Joshua 6:15 - 16

15 But it came to pass on the seventh day that they rose early, about the dawning of the day, and marched around the city seven times in the same manner. On that day only they marched around the city seven times.

Joshua 6:15 - 16

¹⁶And the seventh time it happened, when the priests blew the trumpets, that Joshua said to the people:

“Shout, for the LORD has given you the city!”

Joshua 6:20

So the people shouted when the priests blew the trumpets. And it happened when the people heard the sound of the trumpet, and the people shouted with a great shout, that the wall fell down flat.

Then the people went up into the city, every man straight before him, and they took the city.

3. Victory comes from our **VOICE OF FAITH.**

Proverbs 18:21

Death and life are in the **power of the tongue,**
and those who love it will eat its fruit.

Mark 11: 22 - 24

²²So Jesus answered and said to them, “Have faith in God. ²³For assuredly, I say to you, whoever says to this mountain, ‘Be removed and be cast into the sea,’ and does not doubt in his heart, but believes that those things he says will be done, he will have whatever he says. ²⁴Therefore I say to you, whatever things you ask when you pray, believe that you receive them, and you will have them.

3. Victory comes from the VOICE OF
FAITH.



a. The Shout of **PRAISE IN WORSHIP.**

Psalm 149:6

Let the **high praises** of God
be in their **mouth**,
and a two-edged sword in their hand.

In Praise and Worship – Proclaim :

Psalm 24:7 - 10

⁷Lift up your heads, O you gates!
And be lifted up, you everlasting doors!
And the King of Glory shall come in.

⁸Who is this King of Glory?

The LORD Strong and Mighty,
The LORD Mighty in battle.

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¹⁰Who is this King of Glory?
The LORD of hosts,
He is the King of Glory. Selah

Exodus 15:1 - 3

¹Then Moses and the children of Israel sang this song to the LORD, and spoke, saying: “I will sing to the LORD, for He has triumphed gloriously! The horse and its rider He has thrown into the sea!

Exodus 15:1 - 3

²The LORD is my strength and song,
and He has become my salvation;
He is my God, and I will praise Him;
My father's God, and I will exalt Him.

³The LORD is a Man of War;
The LORD is His Name.

b. The continual **CONFESSION** of our faith.

Hebrews 3:1

Therefore, holy brethren, partakers of the heavenly calling, consider the Apostle and High Priest of **our confession**,
Christ Jesus

Hebrews 4:14

Seeing then that we have a Great High Priest
who has passed through the heavens,
Jesus the Son of God,
let us hold fast our confession.

Hebrews 10:23

Let us hold fast the
confession of our hope without wavering,
for He who promised is Faithful.

APPLICATION



**Tearing Down
the Jericho in our lives**

APPLICATION

What are the Jerichos in our lives?

(Note the Defensive Posture of Jericho)

- ✓ It was tightly shut up – like a fortress more than a city.
- ✓ Well defended, very substantial walls.
- ✓ Internally, a picture of fear to prevent the advance of the Kingdom of God.

Examples of Jerichos [strongholds] in our lives :-

Lust	Laziness	Resentment and Bitterness	
Doubts and Arguments		Unforgiving Spirit	Unsettled Emotions
Spiritual Dryness		Unresolved Issues	
Unresolved Relational Conflicts			

Examples of Jerichos [strongholds] in our lives :-

Substance Abuse

All Kinds of Bondages e.g. fear...

Habitual sins

Traditions that blocked the Knowledge of God

Hatred

Apathy

Pet Doctrines

Thinking we only have all the truths

Examples of Jerichos [strongholds] in the church:-

Tradition that makes
void the Word of God
- Matthew 15:3 and
6 -

Not knowing the Word
and the Spirit
- Matthew 22:29 -

Examples of Jerichos [strongholds] in the church:-

**1 Corinthians 2:14 -
Spirit of the World**

Rebellion

Division and
Church Splits

Carnality and Flesh

No Spiritual
Leadership

No Wisdom

No Unity

Independent
Groups

2 Corinthians 10:4 - 5

⁴For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal but Mighty in God for pulling down strongholds,
⁵casting down arguments and every high thing that exalts itself against the knowledge of God,
bringing every thought into captivity
to the obedience of Christ.

The Jericho in our lives are the :



that obstruct / block / hinder / blinds us
to The True Knowledge of God

The True Knowledge of God is

The PROMISED LAND :-

- a. the PATH of Life.
- b. the PRESENCE of Joy.
- c. The PLEASURES at
the Right Hand of God.

Psalm 16:11

The True Knowledge of God is

The PROMISED LAND :-

i. We find STRENGTH to cope with *stress*.

ii. We have His PEACE to calm every *anxiety /worry*.

iii. There is no *fear* as we are perfected in
HIS LOVE

The True Knowledge of God –

The **PROMISED LAND** is where

WE HAVE HIS WORD

WE HAVE EVERYTHING!

(2 Peter 1:3 – 4)

Provision

Protection

His Presence

His Joy

Wisdom

His Love

Abundance of Grace

Peace

Favor

The True Knowledge of God –
The **PROMISED LAND** is where

We know the keys to **VICTORY!**

We have the strength to **OVERCOME!**

For every circumstance and situation!

The Right Hand of God is!
The Place of Answered Prayers!
Pleasures Forevermore!

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Keys to Victory – Tearing Down Jericho

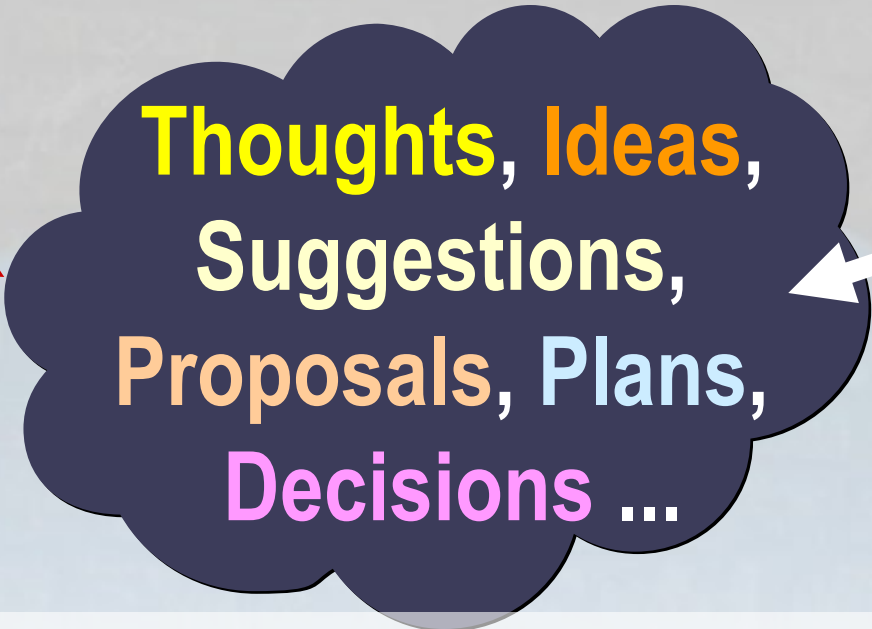
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Holy Spirit



3 SOURCES of all thoughts,
ideas, suggestions ...



2 Corinthians 10:5

This means you bring the Word of God
to weigh the thoughts and ideas

If it is in line with the Word : OK

If it is NOT in line with the Word : REJECT

The imagination of our hearts and minds must be **continually** :-

a. **CLEANSED** by the Blood of Christ.

2 Corinthians 7:1

Therefore, having these promises, beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit, perfecting holiness in the Fear of God.

The imagination of our hearts and minds must be **continually** :-

b. Replaced with the **WORD OF GOD.**

Colossians 3:16

Let the Word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom, teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord.

Thoughts & Ideas from the Holy Spirit



**Holy
Spirit**

Truths of our Position in Christ

- I am **Deeply Loved**
- I am **Completely Forgiven**
- I am **Highly Favored**
- I am **Always Protected**
- I have **Divine Wisdom**



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a. We overcome conflicts and offenses in the Body of Christ by the Spirit of **LOVE** and **FORGIVENESS** for each other.

Matthew 6:12

And forgive us our debts,
as we forgive our debtors.

1 Peter 4:8

And above all things have fervent love
for one another,
for “love will cover a multitude of sins.”

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b. We overcome the spirit of greed and covetousness by a Spirit of **GENEROSITY** and **GIVING LIBERALITY**

Acts 20:35

... remember the Words of the Lord Jesus, that He said, “It is more blessed to give than to receive.”

Proverbs 11:24 - 25

²⁴There is one who scatters, yet increases more; and there is one who withholds more than is right, but it leads to poverty.

²⁵The generous soul will be made rich, and he who waters will also be watered himself.

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- c. We overcome spirit of independence by a Spirit of **INTERDEPENDENCE**.

Romans 12:4 - 5

⁴For as we have many members in one body,
but all the members do not have
the same function, ⁵so we, being many,
are one body in Christ,
and individually members of one another.

Ephesians 4:16

from whom the whole body, joined and knit together by what every joint supplies, according to the effective working by which every part does its share, causes growth of the body for the edifying of itself in love.

Philippians 2:2 - 4

²then make my joy complete by being like-minded, having the same love, being one in spirit and purpose.

³Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit, but in humility consider others better than yourselves.

⁴Each of you should look not only to your own interests, but also to the interests of others.

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c. We overcome spirit independence by a Spirit of **INTERDEPENDENCE**.

d. We overcome falsehood by the Spirit of **TRUTH**

John 8:44

... the devil ...

He was a murderer from the beginning,
not holding to the truth,
for there is no truth in him.

When he lies, he speaks his native language,
for he is a liar and the father of lies.

John 16:13

But when He, the Spirit of Truth, comes,
He will guide you into all truth...

Psalm 51:6

Surely you desire truth in the inner parts;
you teach me wisdom in the inmost place.

War not like the world, but by the **SPIRIT OF CHRIST**.

d. We overcome falsehood by the Spirit of **TRUTH**.

b. We live and serve not according to the natural wisdom of the world, but by the **WISDOM** from God.

(James 3:13 – 18)

Proverbs 9:10

The fear of the LORD
is the beginning of wisdom,
And the knowledge of the Holy One
is understanding.

Conclusion

Build your altar to the Lord

Bring your **Jerichos** – **Strongholds** –
Areas of Struggles that hinder you
from your promised land,
from knowing God and walking victoriously

TEAR DOWN YOUR JERICHOES!

Conclusion

Keys to Victory – Tearing Down Jericho

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