GCF NUVALI CHURCH

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DO NOT HIDE

Joshua 7:1-26

After Israel destroyed Jericho, Joshua pushed forward to conquer Ai. He did what a wise military general would normally do—survey the city and strike while there was fear in the enemy's heart. But he was stunned when they were defeated! Joshua mourned the loss and blamed God. (7:1-9)

God commanded Joshua to rise and revealed the reason for their defeat: Israel suffered the consequence of one man's sin. Unless they got rid of the devoted things, victory would elude them because God's presence would not be in their midst. (7:10-13)

In His great mercy, God gave specific instructions for Israel to be redeemed. All the tribes needed to consecrate themselves. They had to appear before Joshua by tribe, clans, households, and man by man. The one found to have taken the devoted things was meted a severe punishment to turn away God's burning anger. (7:14-15)

The hidden sin of Achan was exposed by God. He and his entire household were stoned and burned to death. A great heap of stone was raised over Achan. The monument served as a severe warning of God's wrath against willful disobedience. (7:16-25)

God's people must tremble at His wrath. He deals with deliberate, hidden sin decisively. He will not let any sin go unpunished. You may hide it from others, but never from God. Eventually, all sin will be exposed by God. Come clean before God—confess your sins, repent, and return to Him.

reminders

Kindly turn off or mute your mobile phone during the service

We have a Sunday School for children ages 4 through 13

Our services start on time. Please go inside 5 minutes before the service.

worship schedule

Prelude
Worship through Songs
Worship through Prayer
Announcements
Worship Through the Word
Pastor Erwin Amador
Giving
Welcoming of Guests
Benediction
Closing Song

LAST WEEK'S MESSAGE

Obedience

Joshua 5:13-6:27

While Joshua surveyed the walled city of Jericho, the Lord appeared before him as the Mighty Warrior. God affirmed Joshua the conquest of the Promised Land was His battle. What Joshua needed to do was surrender his all to God and do whatever He says. (5:13-15)

In spite of God's strange directive, Joshua followed instructions without any question nor hesitation. Joshua commanded the armies, led by the priests bearing the ark of the covenant, to march around Jericho once for six days and seven times on the seventh. The seven priests bearing seven trumpets of ram's horn blew the trumpets as they marched while all the people remained silent. After they marched around Jericho seven times on the seventh day, Joshua ordered the people to shout. At once the wall of Jericho fell down. (6:1-16)

The entire city of Jericho and all that was within it were destroyed as devotion to the Lord. Only Rahab the prostitute and all who were with her in her house were spared because of what she did for the two Israelite spies. However, all silver, gold, and every vessel of bronze and iron were taken into the treasury of the Lord. Jericho became a symbol of ultimate apostasy and immorality that Joshua pronounced a curse to whoever would rebuild the city. (6:17-27; cf. Deuteronomy 20:16-18)

Whatever battle you face in life, be confident that God, our Mighty Warrior, will fight for you! Sometimes, His methods are beyond human comprehension. But all you need to do is fully surrender your all to Him and do whatever He says. Strive to walk in holiness and He will surely guide your every step towards victory!

Obedience is your responsibility, the result is God's!

YOUR THOUGHTS

We should not only walk as Christians during Sundays but everyday. We obey because we have to, but because we want to, because we love Him. When we obey the Lord, we can live a life full of happiness/joy. I will apply it this week by Living in the Word Of God and share the word of God to my friends.
– Gab Nanez

As I was meditating on Joshua 6, there were so many lessons, truths in this passage. But what really strikes me is the obedience of Joshua and the Israelites to our God. And the Lord impressed this lesson to me. For me to obey HIM is to surrender fully to HIM. Then, I asked myself "why will I obey God?", first I need to TRUST HIM. The key word is trust. The hymn says it all! "Trust and obey for there's no other way to be happy in JESUS, but to TRUST AND OBEY.
– Joejyn Baquiran

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

gracious giving	share a chair total	share a chair pledge
97,770	128,220	128,000

overall project noah	project noah
7,615,281.85	5,890

ATTENDANCE

147 adults 24 kids

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