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#### SUNDAY

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Worship	a.m.
Worship5:00	p.m.

#### WEDNESDAY

Bible Study......7:00 p.m.

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### ON THE HOME FRONT

The "Standing In The Gap" lectures begins this Wednesday, January 26th at the Nesbit church in Nesbit, Mississippi. The Theme is "Let God Be True, but every man a liar." The Lectureship will run through January 30th. Looking at the various topics, the lectures promise to be very informative and as always the truth will be taught.

The 86th Annual FHU lectureship is coming upon us very quickly. It is scheduled to take place February 6-10, 2022. The theme is "He Went About Doing Good: The Compassion of Christ in Luke." As usual there are many topics within the overall theme taught by capable able Gospel preachers and educators. One session caught my eye, titled "Preacher Therapy" conducted by the Jenkins Institute. Looking over the speaker roster, there are many familiar names known to us at Getwell. To name a few are: B.J. Clarke, Caleb Colby, Steve Higginbotham, Ralph Gilmore, Alan Highers, Phil Sanders, Allen Webster, and Elijah Woods. These are speakers that I readily recognized. It would be well worth your time to set aside some time to go to Henderson.

The newest issue of the Spiritual Sword has came out. The theme is "Have You Found Happiness?" As usual, it is well worth the read. It has twelve contributing writers and begins the journal with a very insightful editorial. A very thought provoking issue.

Ron Wallace

# RON'S REMINDERS



## WHAT IS YOUR JERICHO?

One of the most fascinating adventures in the Holy Scriptures is the conquest of Jericho. It is a Bible account that never grows old! While we certainly have grasped the basic tenants from this account, I would venture to admit that we have failed to see/focus on some spiritual nuggets that can revolutionize our faith as we serve our Heavenly Father. You see, before the Israelites could enter into and occupy the lush and prosperous Land of Promise, they had to first find a way to conquer a tall and intimidating wall that surrounded Jericho—that stood between them and God's wonderful promise.

In Joshua 6:2, their untrained, carnal eyes saw:

- Locked gates—no way in and no way out!
- Impenetrable, insurmountable walls—too high to climb over; too low to go under...
- Forget it! God has abandoned you! You will never make it! But the trained, spiritual eyes saw God's affirmative, faithful promise:
- See, I have given you Jericho into your hand, with its king and valiant warriors" (Joshua 6:2, NASB, emp. added)

Did you get that? When God made the statement, the wall still stood, right? Couldn't they literally see the 40 foot "Tower of Terror" right before and all around them? No way we win, right? Well, it all depended upon who they listened too! What an awesome, incredible promise from Jehovah God! Since God dwells in the eternal present tense, He made it crystal clear to them that Jericho was only a brief stop-to the Promised Land! The real issue waswould they believe/trust Him to follow through on His promise? Better yet, not would the children of Israel believe-but you and me as well! We must answer for ourselves! We all know the rest of this story but what about our personal story? Have we allowed God to capture "Jericho" in our personal lives? Instinctively we know God's Word and promises are true but do we live in faith or fear? Have you and I shouted to the world that the walls of defeat, fear, damnation, isolation, frustration, guilt, doubt, failure, and (fill in the blank with your own challenges) have

all come tumbling down by His mighty power? So, do you live in God's "Promise Land" or Satan's "Polluted Land?" Unfortunately many have chosen the pollution solution because they have allowed their circumstances to override/limit/blind their access to God's promises. Now, does that speak to you or about you?

Let's learn three lessons when God delivers us from our personal "Jericho."

Lesson # 1: When you trust God implicitly—your walls will come down (Romans 8:31b).

Lesson # 2: We cannot and must not yield to intimidation! Setbacks are actually set-ups for our future; turning our messes into messages of hope for others.

Lesson # 3: Human walls become God's gateways to His promises! We can always use the stumbling blocks of life to serve as stepping stones into the victory God has planned for us.

Some archeological scholars have wisely endorsed the truth found in God's Word regarding the way the walls of Jericho fell (Joshua 6:20) "wall fell flat...everyone straight ahead..." That meant the walls of Jericho fell forward, meaning that the rubble formed a ramp for the Israel to climb straight up and possess the land-just like God promised! We serve an awesome God! He cannot lie! He takes care of His own! He allows us to conquer our personal Jericho! Have you allowed Him to conquer Jericho? What are you waiting for? He's ready, willing, and able to forgive if you are ready, willing, and able to believe His precious Word, repent of your sins, confess Jesus as Lord, and allow your body to be immersed in water for the forgiveness of sins. Taking that bold journey will allow you to conquer Jericho and reserve your place in Heaven. I pray and hope to see you there!

Billy R. Davis, Think Magazine, November 2021

## February 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
*BIRTHDAY **ANNIVERSARY  Please be sure that we have your birth date and anniversary date on file in the church office		1 Lev. 4-6	2 Lev. 7-9 GROUNDING DAY	3 Lev. 10-12	4 Lev. 13-15	5 Lev. 16-18
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13 Num. 14-16	14 Num. 17-19  *happy * Valentine's * *day *	15 Num. 20-22	16 Num. 23-25	17 Num. 26-28 *Tom Pinner	18 Num. 29-31	19 Num. 32-34
20 Num.35- Deut. 1	21 Deut. 2-4  RAPPY PRESIBENT'S  BAY	22 Deut. 5-7	23 Deut. 8-10	24 Deut. 11-13	25 Deut. 14-16	26 Deut. 17-19
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