



May 23-29

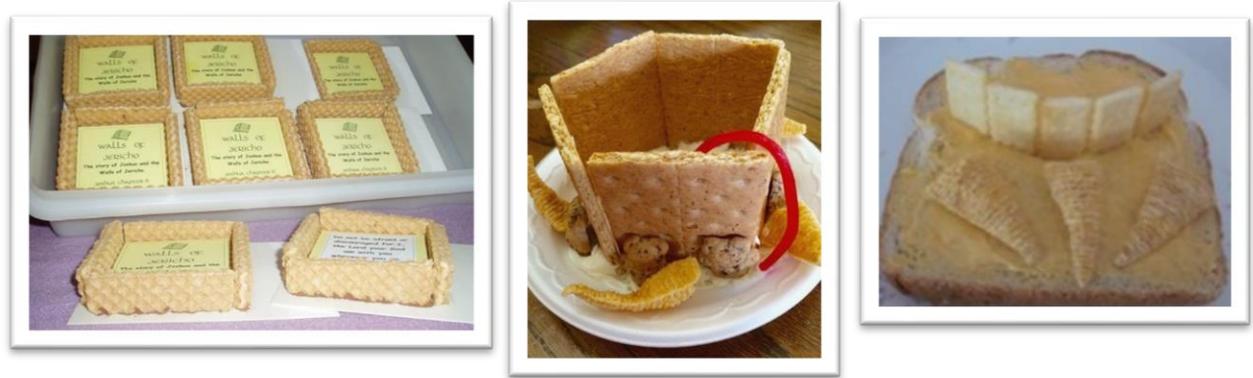
“Be Strong and of a Good Courage”

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1. Great Things the Lord Has Done – Joshua became the leader of the Israelites after Moses was gone. The Lord told Joshua to “Be strong and of a good courage” and that He would be with him like He was with Moses (Joshua 1:5-9). Review some of the cool things the Lord helped Moses do. Remind them that Moses did amazing things through the power of the Lord, not through his own power. Joshua 3 tells the story of how Joshua and his people were able to move water out of their way in the Jordan River through divine help. How is this similar to what happened at the Red Sea? What are some great things the Lord has done for us in our lives?
 - If time/interest, do this activity from the manual: [Joshua 4:3, 6-9](#). After reading what the Lord wanted the Israelites to do with stones from the Jordan River, your family could talk about some of the great things the Lord has done for you. Then you could give each family member a stone and invite them to write or draw on it something the Lord has done for them.
2. Jericho Video/Acting – Read/summarize the story of Joshua and his people at Jericho as told in Joshua 5-6. Watch “[Joshua the Prophet](#)” short video from the church, and then act the story out. Talk about how they followed the Lord’s instructions exactly, and He won the battle for them because of their obedience and faith.
3. Be Strong and of Good Courage Stories– Do you think Joshua and the Israelites ever got nervous about what they were doing? Who has power to help us when we’re scared or nervous? (Heavenly Father and Jesus) Tell them there’s another story about a girl who had courage. She helped Israelite spies stay safe.
 - Watch “[Rahab and the Spies](#)” short video from the church. How was she blessed because of her courageous act?
4. Courage Necklace – Follow directions on pages 4-5 below to talk about having courage, cleaving to the Lord, and role-playing scenarios while wearing the necklace.
5. As For Me and My House, We Will Serve the Lord – Share Joshua 24:15. Emphasize the phrase “this day” and talk about ways we can choose to serve the Lord right now. Encourage everyone to find ways to serve the Lord while at home as well as in other situations at school, church, etc.
 - Sing “[Choose the Right](#)” and share blessings we’ve received or that we might receive for choosing to put the Lord first in our lives.
 - It could also be a good idea to print up a sign to display in the home with these words on it. Have everyone sign their names on the back to show that they are willing to serve the Lord. There are lots available online if you google it.



6. Scripture Draw – Do the scripture draw on page 3 below.
7. Jericho Treat – [This website](#) has a great idea for a treat to make while retelling the story about the Battle of Jericho. I love the idea of having the red licorice piece as well to help include the story of Rahab in the retelling of what happened. Click on pictures below for more ways this can be done.

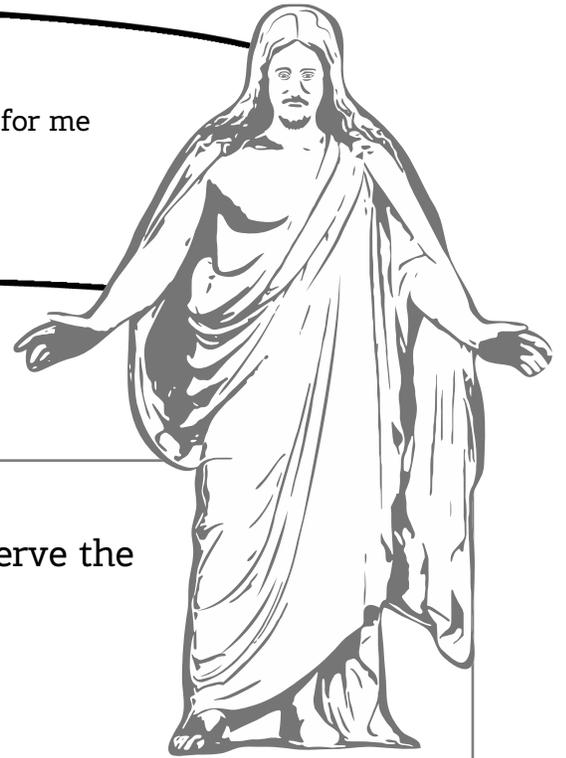


Additional Ideas:

More Great Free Ideas at www.theredcrystal.org
[Old Testament Cartoon Videos from the Church Website](#)
[Joshua 24:15 Craft](#)

Joshua 24:15

“Choose ye this day whom ye will serve;...but as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord.”



Write or draw a picture of one way you will serve the Lord.

Courage Necklace: After sharing stories of how Joshua and Rahab were “strong and of a good courage,” talk about ways we can also “be strong and of a good courage.” Have each person string a courage necklace piece onto yarn or ribbon to make a necklace. Then explain how Joshua told his people to “cleave to the Lord” (Joshua 23:8), and explained that the Lord will fight for them when they follow His teachings (Joshua 23). Let them add “Cleave to the Lord” pieces for each thing they can think of doing that would help them “cleave to the Lord” (reading scriptures, praying, going to church, listening to prophets, etc.). It could be good to discuss how Joshua 1:8 tells us to meditate on the scriptures day and night. Remind them that when we cleave to the Lord (when we stick to Him and keep Him close to our minds and hearts), He can give us strength to do more than we could on our own.

Role-Play: Once the necklace is complete, have them act out ways they could be strong and show courage in different situations. Role-play responses to different scenarios, such as:

- Friends trying to get you to do something you know you shouldn't
- Being brave enough to help someone in need, even though you're shy or might not think you can help them
- Standing up for something you know is true, even when others are denying it or making fun of it

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Cleave to the Lord Necklace Pieces: Add onto necklace while listing specific ways we can “cleave to the Lord.”

