



谁是我生命的主？

Who is the Lord of my life?

约书亚记 **Joshua 5:13-6:5**

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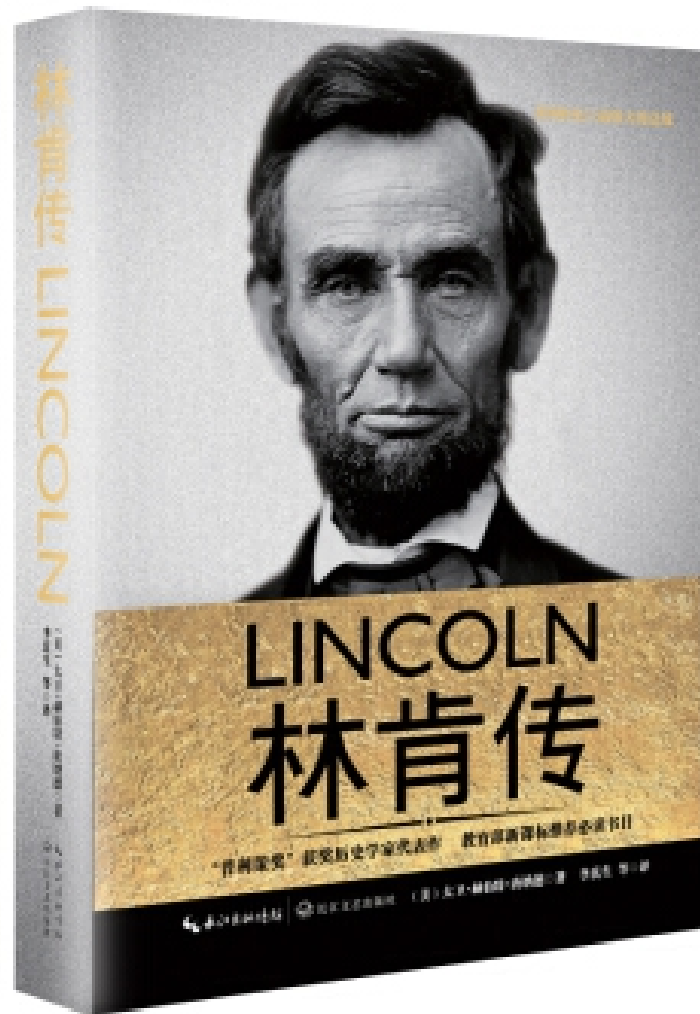
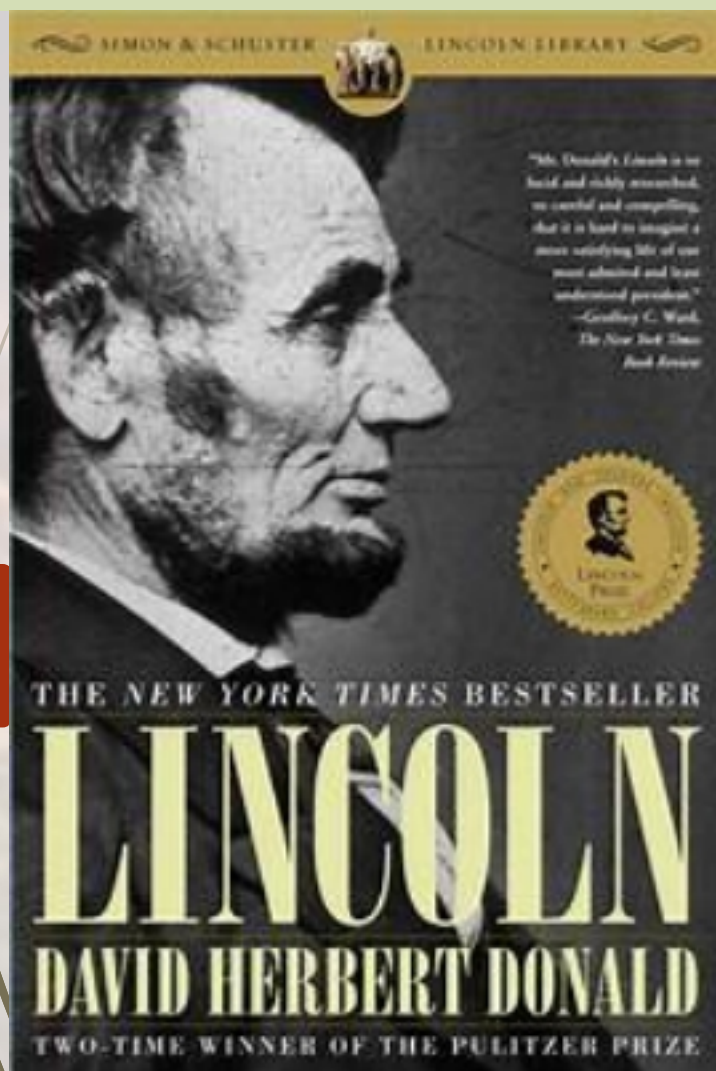
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林肯总统 President Lincoln

林肯：「我…是否站在上帝一边的？」

Lincoln, “Am I... on God’s side?”



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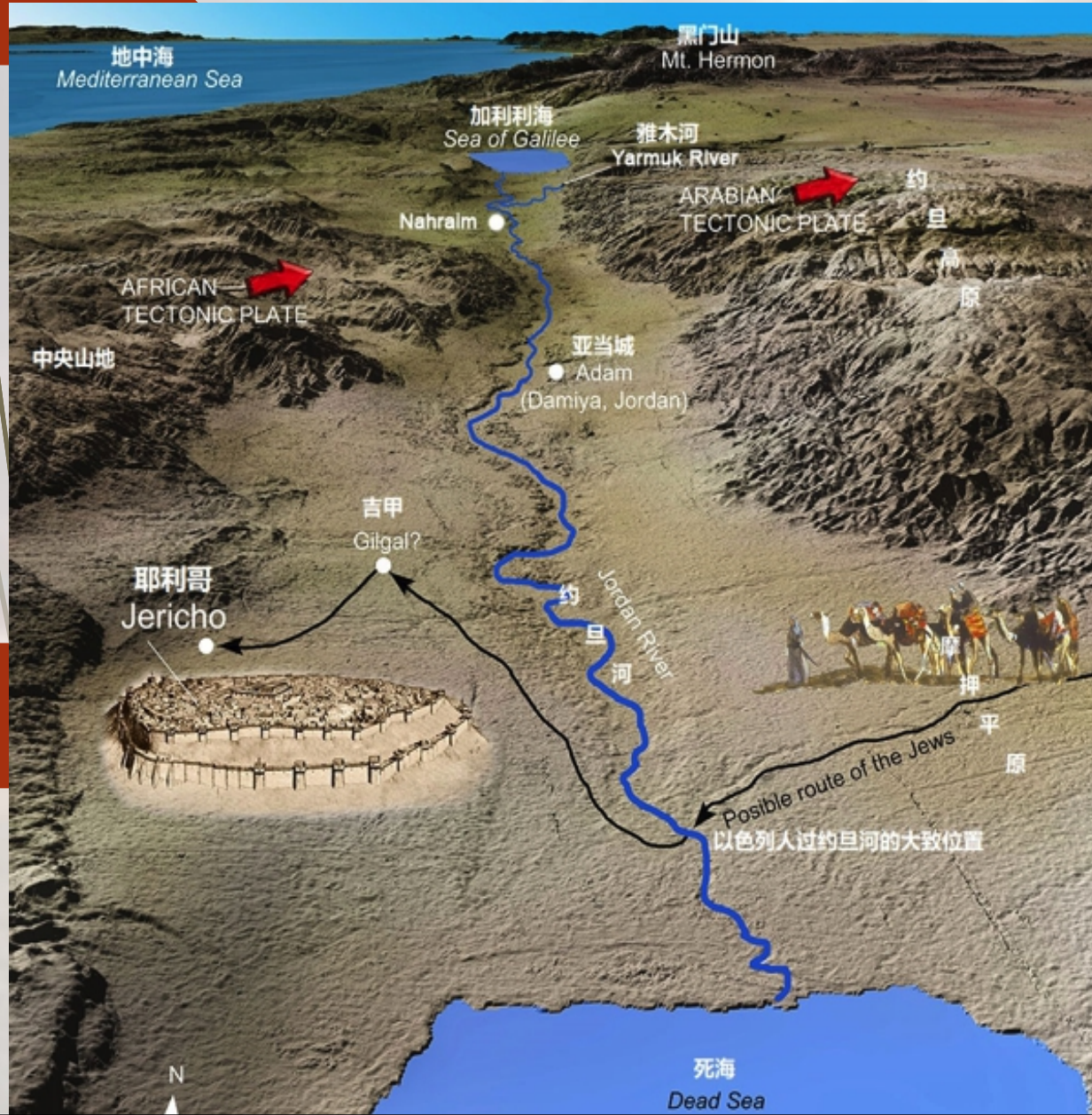
5:13-15 耶和华军队的元帅与约书亚的对话

The conversation between **the commander of the army of the Lord and Joshua**

6:1-5 攻陷耶利哥城的方法：上帝的方法

The way to capture Jericho: **God's way**

吉甲安营准备攻打耶利哥 Camp at Gilgal & prepare to take Jericho



面对强壮的民、坚固的城邑…

Facing powerful people, fortified cities...

(民数记 Numbers 13:28)



Ancient Jericho

耶利哥

Glory and collapse

The apparition of the Canaanites implied changes in house planning. This people absorbed the original culture and took Jericho to its most glorious times. According to archeological records, the city was destroyed by 1500 BC to be re-founded in the 9th century BC.

Double fortification
Similar to medieval fortifications, these were 3 m wide and more than 4 m high by 1700 BC. They were reconstructed at least 15 times.

Resources
There is evidence of cultivated plants and possible sheep breeding since 7220 BC. There was a water canal system.

The Jordan River
Jericho was favored by the river and trade. Its walls became thicker and were surrounded by a moat.

Towns became bigger as their populations increased. This made their architecture and urban planning more complex and they required more space to expand. The possibility of storing food surpluses meant that part of the population quit agricultural activities to devote their time to other things. Artisans, priests, traders... The wealth of flourishing cities attracted greed of the nomadic tribes and forced their inhabitants to build protective walls around their cities. This was the case of Jericho, in the West Bank, Palestine. With a history of more than 11,000 years, this was the first fortified city known ever and, up to the present day, it is considered the first city in history.

Courtyards
The buildings usually had a 7 metre square courtyard used to cook and preventing smoke from entering inside the house.

Houses
They had stone foundations, clay brick structure, 50 cm width walls and the roofs were covered with a mixture of reeds and clay.

7000 BC
The round houses made with adobe, similar to igloos, were substituted by rectangular ones. Sanctuaries and ovens appeared.

Jericho, the first one

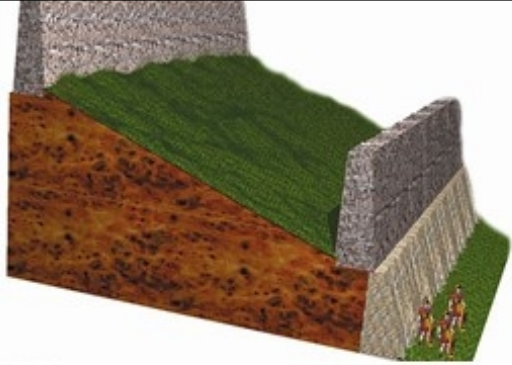
Natufian hunter groups settled in this spot in 12,000 BC before it became the city of Jericho. Towards 9,400 BC, the settlement had more than 70 houses with around a thousand inhabitants and something unprecedented; a 3.5m high and almost 2m thick wall and a stone tower that reached a height of 8.5 m.

Two storeys
Two storey houses had a working area in the first floor and the rooms on the second floor.



耶利哥：被某些考古學者譽為是世界最古老的城市，在一萬二千年前建立。

According to archaeologists, evidence of settlements in Jericho has been found to date back to 10,000 B.C. This means that people called the city home more than 12,000 years ago.

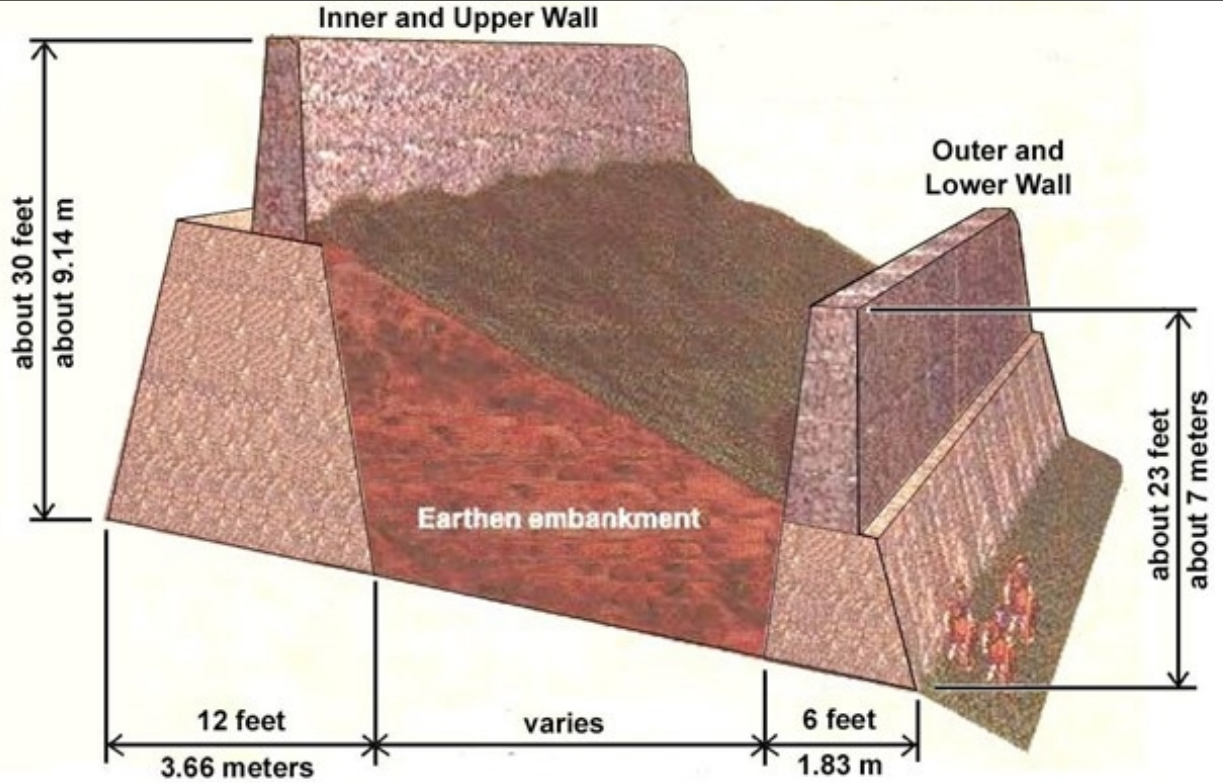


The walls only fell after the people shouted.



Schematic cross section diagram of the fortification system at Jericho based on Keran's wall trench.

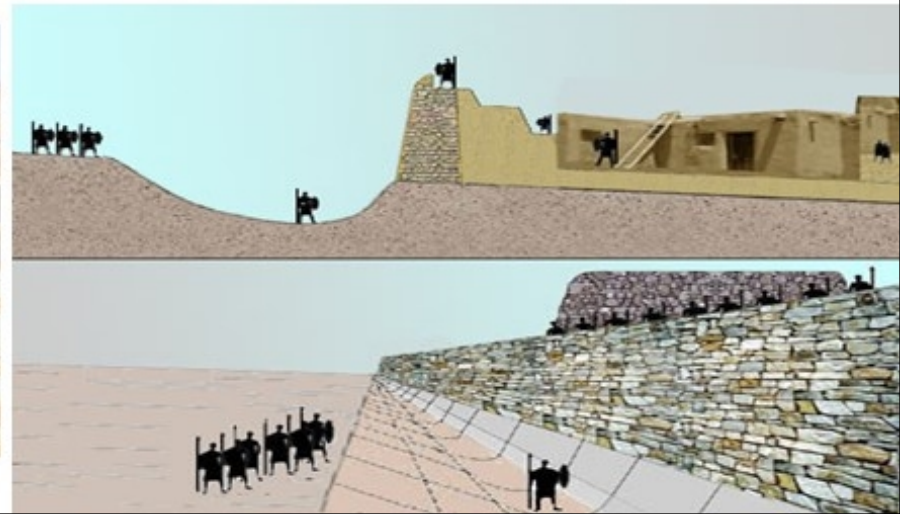
Walls of Jericho Fell!



DOUBLE REDOUBTABLE WALL FOR THE ANCIENT CITY OF JERICHO



Neolithic wall, Jericho, Israel, c. 7000 (K. c. 7500 BC) [1968, D. Anderson, Drewal University/Bryn Mawr College]



约书亚记 Joshua 5:13-15

耶和华军队的元帅和约书亚

The commander of the army of the Lord and Joshua

5:13 约书亚到他那里，问他…

Joshua went up to him and asked...

5:14a 耶和华军队的元帅回答

The commander replied

5:14b 约书亚俯伏在地下拜

Joshua fell facedown to the ground

5:15a 耶和华军队的元帅发命令

The commander commanded

5:15b 约书亚照着行

Joshua obeyed

耶和華軍隊的元帥 The commander of the army of the Lord (約書亞記 Joshua 5:14)

14 他回答说：「不是的，我来是要作耶和華軍隊的元帥。」約書亞就俯伏在地下拜，说：「我主有甚么话吩咐仆人。」

14 “Neither,” he replied, “but as **commander of the army of the Lord** I have now come.” Then Joshua fell facedown to the ground in reverence, and asked him, “What message does **my Lord** have for his servant?”



脱下脚上的鞋 Take off the sandals



(约书亚记 **Joshua 5:15**)

耶和华军队的元帅对约书亚说：「把你脚上的鞋脱下来，因为你所站的地方是圣的。」约书亚就照着行了。

The commander of the Lord's army replied, "Take off your sandals, for the place where you are standing is holy." And Joshua did so.

(出埃及记 **Exodus 3:5**)

上帝说：「不要近前来。当把你脚上的鞋脱下来，因为你所站之地是圣地」；

"Do not come any closer," God said. "Take off your sandals, for the place where you are standing is holy ground."

攻陷耶利哥城的方法（用上帝的方法做）

Method of capturing Jericho (Using God's way)

约书亚记 Joshua 6:2-5

.....² 耶和華曉諭約書亞說：「看哪，我已經把耶利哥和耶利哥的王，并大能的勇士，都交在你手中。³ 你们的一切兵丁要围绕这城，一日围绕一次，六日都要这样行。.....

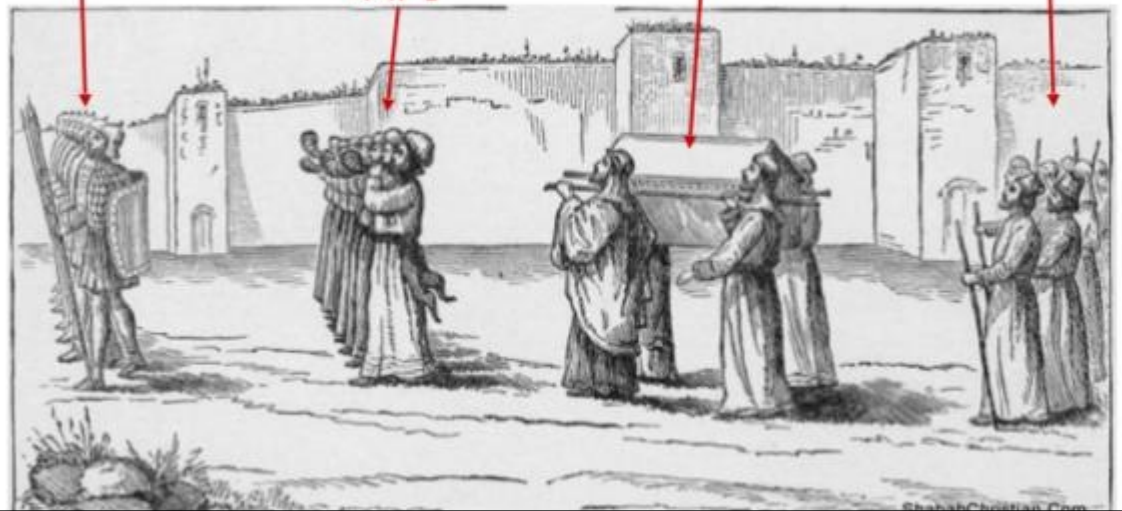
.....² Then the Lord said to Joshua, "See, I have delivered Jericho into your hands, along with its king and its fighting men.³ March around the city once with all the armed men. Do this for six days.....

8.....七个祭司拿七个羊角走在耶和華面前吹角；耶和華的約櫃在他們後面跟隨。⁹帶兵器的走在吹角的祭司前面，……

8..... the seven priests carrying the seven trumpets before the Lord went forward, blowing their trumpets, and **the ark of the Lord's covenant** followed them. ⁹ The armed guard marched ahead of the priests who blew the trumpets, and the rear guard followed the ark.....

约书亚记 Joshua 6:8-9

armed guard	7 priests blew trumpets	the ark	rear guard
帶兵器的人	七個祭司吹角	約櫃	後隊



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经常锻炼 Regular practice



基督是我们的元帅 Christ is our commander

以弗所书 Ephesians 6:10, 17

10 我还有末了的话：
你们要靠着主，倚赖
他的大能大力作刚强
的人。

.....

17 并戴上救恩的头盔，
拿着圣灵的宝剑，就
是上帝的道；

10 Finally, be strong in
the Lord and in his
mighty power

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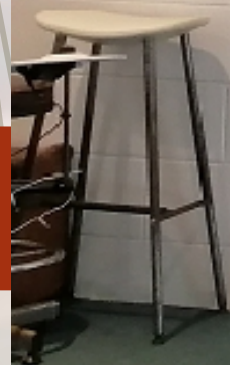
17 Take the helmet of
salvation and the sword
of the Spirit, which is the
word of God.

教会主题 Church theme

勤读圣经 培育灵命 彼此造就 服事教会

Read God's word to nurture spiritual life

Build each other up to serve the church



思想 Further Thought

- ✓ 耶稣基督是我生命的元帅吗？
 - ✓ 愿意手握圣灵的宝剑吗？
 - ✓ 积极参加教会的「勤读圣经旅程」？
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- ✓ **Jesus Christ the commander of my life?**
 - ✓ **Willing to pick up the sword of the spirit?**
 - ✓ **Actively taking part in “the Journey of reading the Bible”?**