

This Week In Sunday School 11.8.20 - PreSchool/2nd - Joshua



Happy Sunday. Friends,

What a beautiful few days! I hope you were able to get outside and enjoy these gifts of warm days which feel extra special in November.

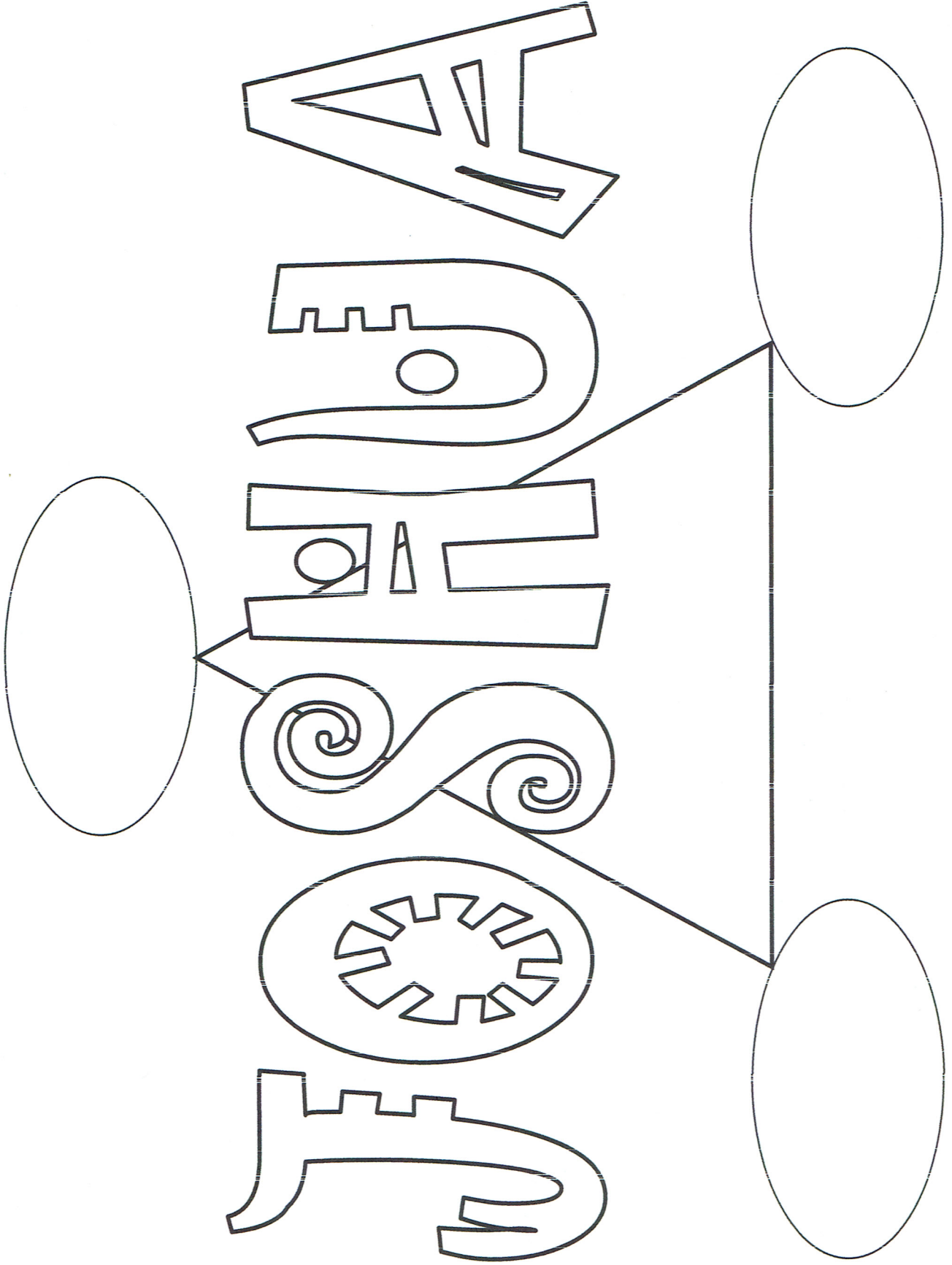
This week's lesson is about Joshua who was a strong and courageous leader. But to really understand the book of Joshua it's important to understand the long history of the Israelites. The first part of the lesson is going to be a lot of backstory, or origin story if you will. And who doesn't love a good origin story? Knowing the origin story can make you understand the characters in a new way. Maybe they weren't ALL bad or ALL good as you once thought. Maybe you understand them more, or understand why they act or feel the way they do. A good origin story can provide context, and context is important for understanding the whole story. (Spoiler alert: Joshua was always faithful to God).

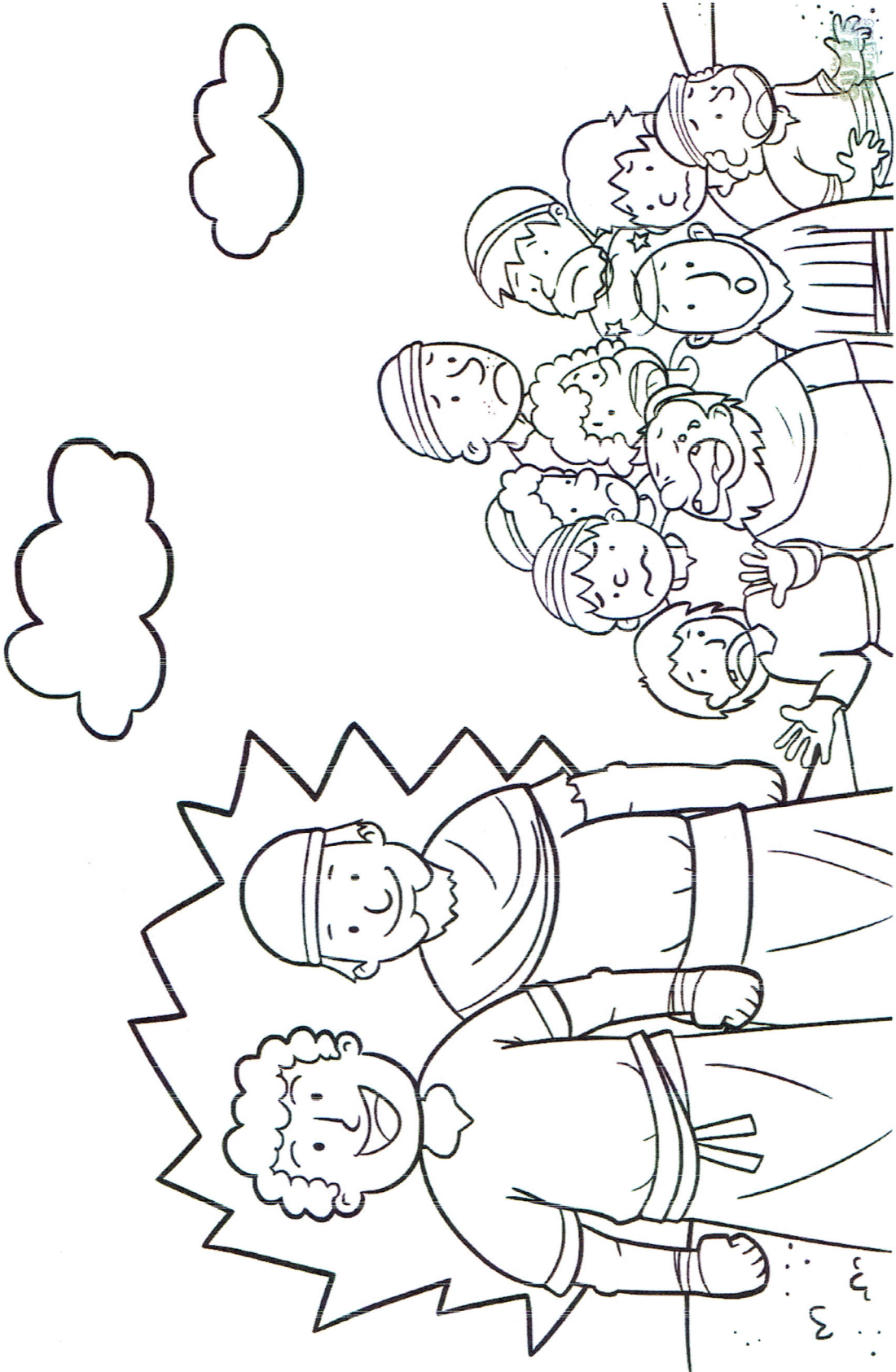
Attached are some activity sheets and coloring pages. Enjoy!

Finally Friends, remember that God was with the Israelites the whole time during their long, difficult journey to the Promised Land. Even through their darkest days. And God is with you, too, during all of your days.

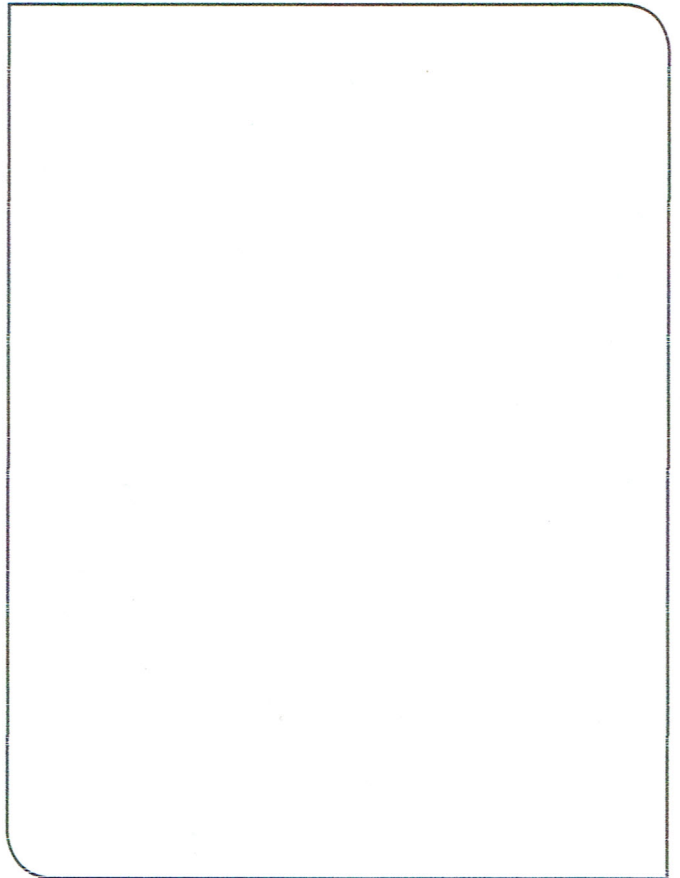
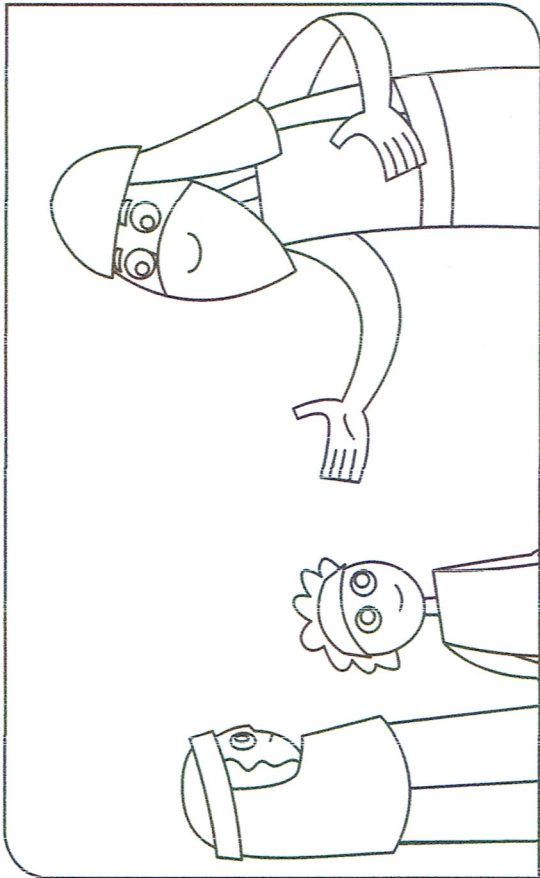
I hope you know how much you are loved and missed! We can't wait to be back at church together soon.

Take Care,
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Joshua listened. God's people listened.
Who do you know who listens to God? Draw his or her picture here.



Joshua

TODAY'S THEME IS FAITHFUL.

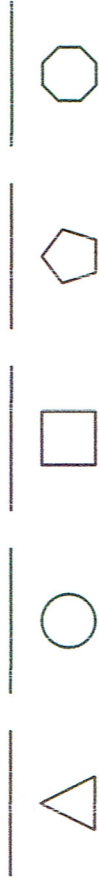


Pre-Reader



Joshua and the Israelites listened to God and obeyed.

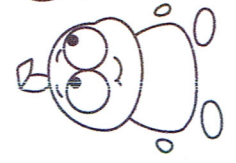
After marching for seven days, what did they do?
Solve the code to see.



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YAY! Way to go!



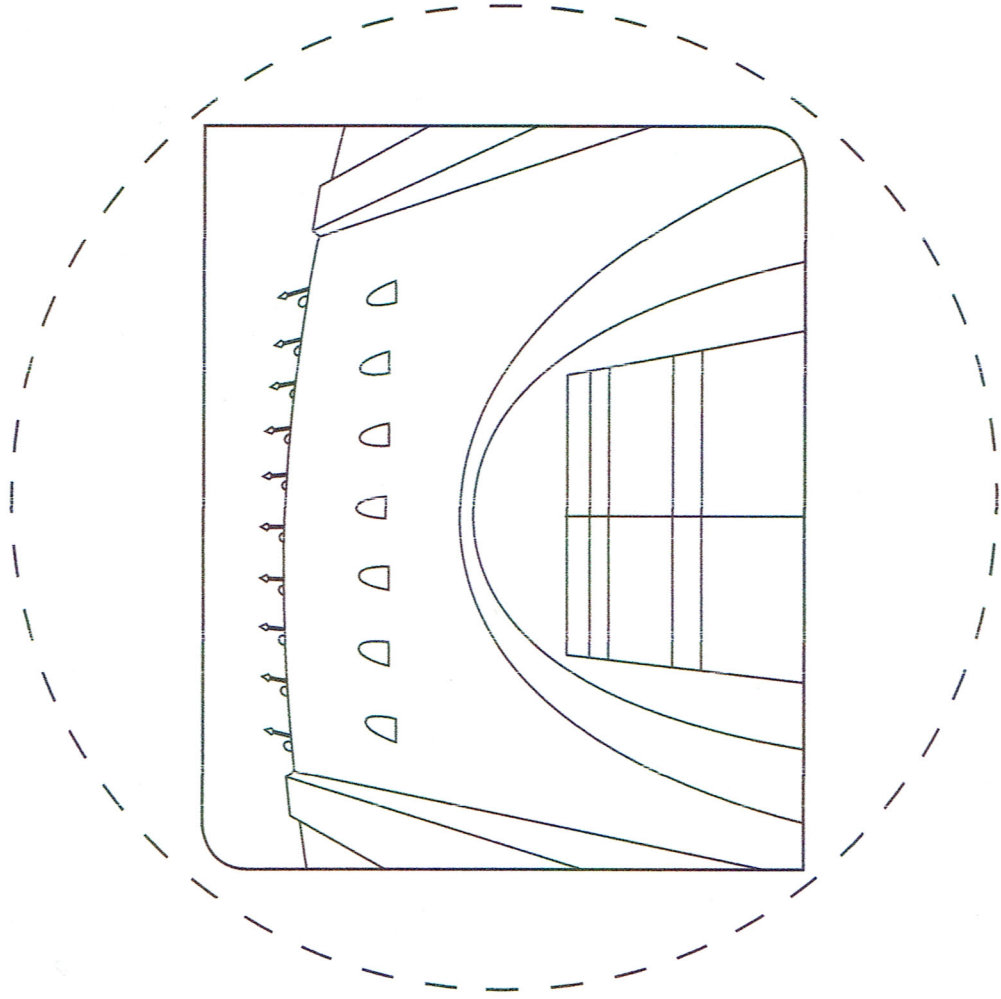
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The Israelites did a lot of marching!

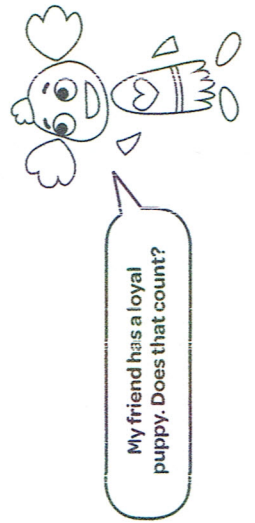
They marched around the city 7 times. Draw circles around the city wall below for each time they went around.



Today our church family prays for ...

There are lots of ways to be faithful. Below are 10 synonyms for the word *faithful*. They all mean nearly the same thing. Think of each of the words below. Who in your church family comes to mind for each word? Write their name beside the word that made you think of them.

- Reliable _____
- Loyal _____
- Steadfast _____
- Devoted _____
- Trustworthy _____
- Constant _____
- Unwavering _____
- Dedicated _____
- Committed _____
- Honorable _____



Joshua

TODAY'S THEME IS FAITHFUL.



God had a big job for Joshua!

Solve the secret code below to find out in what way Joshua was faithful.

A	†	N	**
B	⊙	O	①
C	◆	P	☞
D	③	Q	◇
E	✓	R	⊙
F	Ⓜ	S	◇
G	✖	T	☞
H	?	U	⊂
I	◇	V	✖
J	⑦	W	☑
K	x	X	⊙
L	☒	Y	☑
M	†	Z	✖

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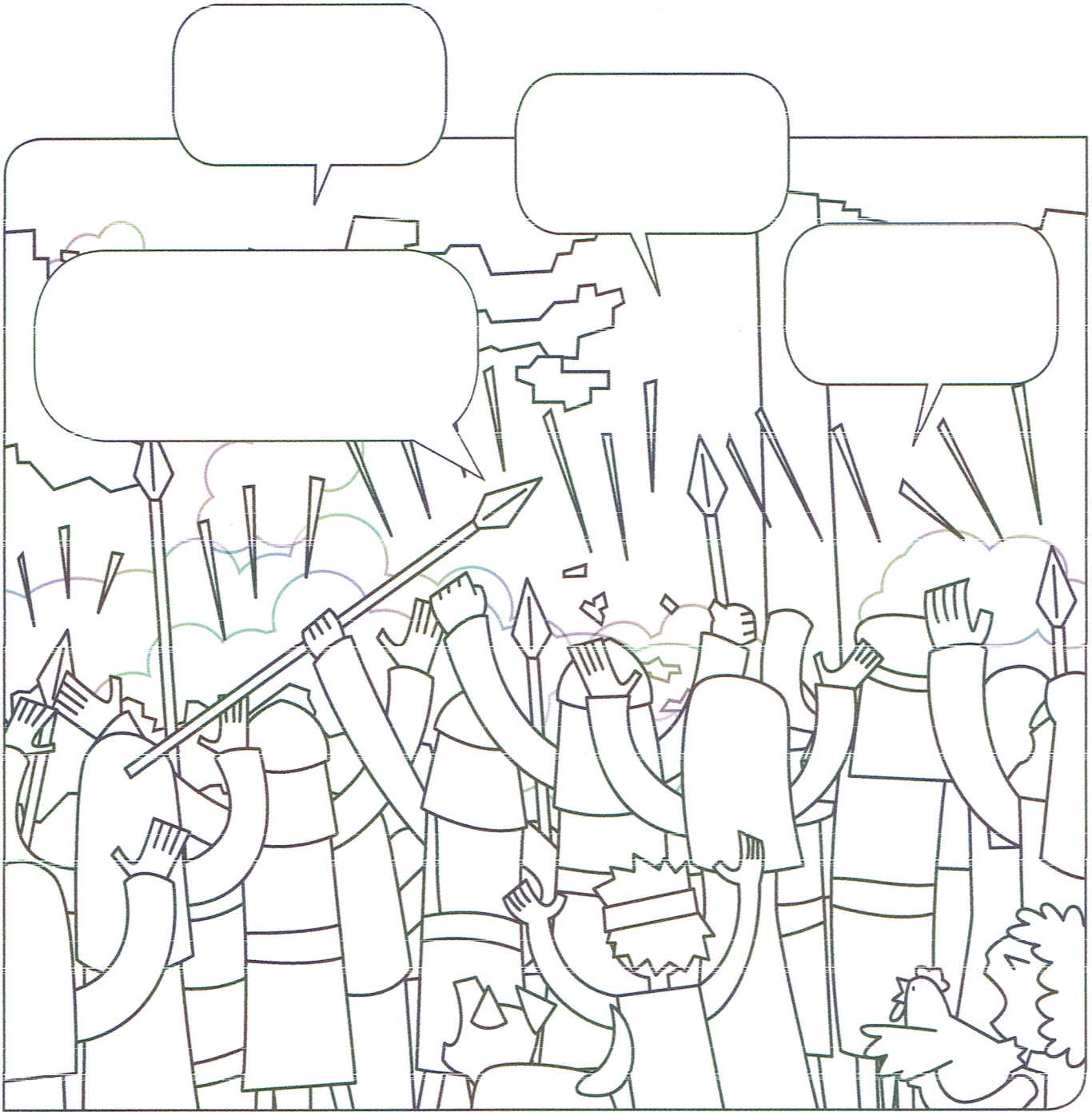
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Joshua and the Israelites marched quietly for 6 days.

On the 7th day, at the end of their march, they SHOUTED! Can you imagine the noise? What do you think some of the Israelites said? Fill in the speech bubbles below.



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