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Here's a quick recap of our current series, and then some points and scriptures to help you as you discuss with your group.

Current Series: Frequency

When we understand that there is a difference in the frequencies of Heaven and earth, we'll find a new level in the sound we bring to the obstacles we face. **FREQUENCY** will help us understand **the power of our worship and our words** when they are **filled with faith** that is **grounded** in who God is and **growing** in what we do

This week, Paul takes us on a deep dive into the story of how the walls of Jericho came down with a shout. It won't surprise you that the people of God shouted, but what you will find surprising is that it wasn't about making noise. Learn how to release worship and words that are full of faith in this message.

The Big Idea: Walls WILL fall when Heaven's wrecking ball is released!

The people of God shouted with a knowing faith, not just a hoping faith

- Read Joshua 6:2
 - The verb for "I have delivered" is a prophetic perfect
 - This describes a future action as if it were already accomplished
 - Since God had declared it, the victory was assured
- Read Joshua 6:20 in the NASB
 - The people shouted with a great shout
 - There are two different, but related Hebrew words used here for shouting
 - The first is "rua" and it is a war cry
 - The second is "t'rua" and is almost always a victorious war cry
 - How does knowing the victory is assured change the sound of our shout?
- Read Matthew 12:36
 - The Greek word for empty or idle words is "words that don't work"
 - Discuss how faith changes empty chatter into targeted shouts

What if we don't have a lot of faith?

- You may struggle with doubts about whether or not you have enough faith to bring down walls
- The disciples found themselves in the same place. Read Matthew 14-21 to see why.
 - The size of our faith matters, but the starting point isn't a lot
 - A little faith in Jesus is more than a lot of faith in anything else
- Having something and using something has everything to do with development
 - I have everything I need to bench press 250 pounds
 - I have the muscular system, the skeletal system, and cardio vascular system
 - What I don't have is the strength, and that comes by developing what I do have
- Read 2 Peter 1:3 and discuss how faithfulness and failure can be used by God to develop the faith you already have in order to grow it from mustard seed size to wall busting size