WOODVALE
PENTECOSTAL CHURCH

Connect Group Sermon Aligned Notes

Sermon Title: Breakthrough is Coming – Part 3 of 4 - Joshua Sermon Series
Key Scripture: Joshua 5 & 6
Recorded Sermon: www.woodvale.ca/pastservices/joshua-series
Date + Speaker: October 15, 2023 | Pastor Mark Scarr

Starter Question:
1. Consider an instance when you were a given a task to complete that was entirely overwhelming. Can you describe the circumstances and how you felt? Perhaps you are currently facing this type of situation. It's what Pastor Mark would call your 'Jericho'. To experience breakthrough we must give God permission to do something IN us and FOR us.

Discussion Questions to Review (observation):
2. Read chapters 5 and 6 of Joshua. What images, words or phrases stand out to you from this story and why?
3. Read Exodus 23:27 and Joshua 2:9. What emotion(s) predominate?

Discussion Questions for Digging Deeper (interpretation and application):
4. In verses 2-9 and 10-12 of chapter 5 we witness what Pastor Mark calls 'covenant renewal', 'spiritual renewal' and 'mission renewal'. In your experience what part do emotional healing and the spiritual disciplines have in overcoming through faith? [Leaders want to be prepared to share their journey to kick-start and focus the discussion]
5. How would you describe fighting from breakthrough versus fighting for breakthrough? Is there a thought or action cycle that leaves you feeling powerless, stuck or a failure? How might the knowledge that you fight from breakthrough transform your attitude while you wait for your circumstances to change?
6. What part do obedience, patience and quiet confidence play in experiencing breakthrough?
7. Pray for one another. That each would receive the gift of faith and would leave encouraged in the midst of their circumstance.