



SEPTEMBER 8–OCTOBER 13

SUNDAYS | 9 & 10:45AM

IMPACT

IMPACTED
BY GOD

TO IMPACT
YOUR WORLD

We can ignore reality, but we cannot ignore the **consequence** of ignoring reality.

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Church Attendance

Assumption #1

Joshua 6 In a post-Christian context, coming to Christ means more than attending church in a set location at a set time. Churches who thrive will build a community around engagement, not attendance.

Church Attendance

Church Affiliation

Assumption #2

Joshua 22 The next generation of leaders will think relationally, in terms of networks, before they think theologically, in terms of denominations.

Church Attendance

Church Affiliation

Church Finances

Assumption #3

Joshua 14 Future generations will have less giving potential than their parents and tomorrow's church leaders will have to do more ministry with fewer resources.

Church Attendance

Church Affiliation

Church Finances

Church Facilities

Assumption #4

Joshua 5 Rites of passage will need to become increasingly more evangelistic, and facilities increasingly more flexible, to maximize all of the moments that bring people through our doors “naturally.”

Church Attendance

Church Affiliation

Church Finances

Church Facilities

Church Size

Assumption #5

Joshua 24 The church will become bigger and smaller at the same time. Churches will grow in size not necessarily because they gather thousands together in one space, but because they gather thousands together through multiple smaller venues under shared leadership.

Church Attendance

Church Affiliation

Church Finances

Church Facilities

Church Size

Church Demographics

Assumption #6

Joshua 8 Future generations will embrace diverse churches because they represent what is normal to them. By 2042 the United States will be minority white-preschools by 2021.

JOSHUA 6:1-20

Now the gates of Jericho were securely barred because of the Israelites. No one went out and no one came in.

Then the Lord said to Joshua, “See, I have delivered Jericho into your hands, along with its king and its fighting men. March around the city once with all the armed men. Do this for six days. Have seven priests carry trumpets of rams’ horns in front of the ark. On the seventh day, march around the city seven times, with the priests blowing the trumpets. When you hear them sound a long blast on the trumpets,

have the whole army give a loud shout; then the wall of the city will collapse and the army will go up, everyone straight in.”

So Joshua son of Nun called the priests and said to them, “Take up the ark of the covenant of the Lord and have seven priests carry trumpets in front of it.” And he ordered the army, “Advance! March around the city, with an armed guard going ahead of the ark of the Lord.”

When Joshua had spoken to the people, 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. The armed guard marched ahead of the priests who blew the trumpets, and the rear guard followed the ark. All this time the trumpets were sounding. But Joshua had commanded the army, "Do not give a war cry, do not raise your voices, do not say a word until the day I tell you to shout. Then shout!" So he had the ark of the Lord carried around the city, circling it once. Then the army returned to camp and spent the night there.

Joshua got up early the next morning and the priests took up the ark of the Lord. The seven priests carrying the seven trumpets went forward, marching

marching before the ark of the Lord and blowing the trumpets. The armed men went ahead of them and the rear guard followed the ark of the Lord, while the trumpets kept sounding. So on the second day they marched around the city once and returned to the camp. They did this for six days.

On the seventh day, they got up at daybreak and marched around the city seven times in the same manner, except that on that day they circled the city seven times. The seventh time around, when the priests sounded the trumpet blast, Joshua commanded the army, "Shout! For the Lord has given

you the city! The city and all that is in it are to be devoted to the Lord. Only Rahab the prostitute and all who are with her in her house shall be spared, because she hid the spies we sent. But keep away from the devoted things, so that you will not bring about your own destruction by taking any of them. Otherwise you will make the camp of Israel liable to destruction and bring trouble on it. All the silver and gold and the articles of bronze and iron are sacred to the Lord and must go into his treasury.”

When the trumpets sounded, the army shouted, and at the sound of the trumpet, when the men gave a loud shout, the wall collapsed; so everyone charged straight in, and they took the city.

JOSHUA 6:1-20

ALL.

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ALL. WHOLE.

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ALL. WHOLE. EVERYONE.

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▶ **The entire group participates.**

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- ▶ **There are no spectators.**

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- ▶ **God's expectation is for everyone to go "all in" together.**

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- ▶ **Join us for the weekend services.**
- ▶ **Join a group and commit to participating.**
- ▶ **Try the exercises and activities in the series.**
- ▶ **Choose to prayerfully discern what part God is asking you to take in this journey.**



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IMPACT
together

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