



**WAY TO VICTORY**  
**A STUDY OF JOSHUA**  
**#6: RECEIVING YOUR BREAKTHROUGH**  
**JOSHUA 6:1-27**  
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## **I. WHAT IS A BREAKTHROUGH?**

A breakthrough is a significant and sudden advancement, resolving of a problem, getting past a barrier, overcoming an obstacle, or conquering an enemy.\*

David attacked the Philistines and defeated them. Then he said, "I watched the Lord break through my enemies like a mighty flood." So he named the place "The Lord Broke Through."  
2 Samuel 5:20 (CEV)

"Sovereign Lord, you made the earth and the sky by your great power and might; nothing is too difficult for you."  
Jeremiah 32:17 (TEV)

In your strength I can crush an army; with my God I can scale any wall.  
Psalm 18:29 (NLT)

## **II. HOW CAN I RECEIVE MY BREAKTHROUGH? – JOSHUA 6**

### **1. Trust the Lord's breakthrough plan – even when it doesn't make sense (v.1-5)**

People can make all kinds of plans, but only the LORD'S plan will happen.  
Proverbs 19:21 (NCV)

### **2. Focus on my God and not my obstacle (v.6-11)**

You will keep in perfect peace all who trust in you, all whose thoughts are fixed on you!  
Isaiah 26:3 (NLT)

### **3. Live as if the victory is already mine (v.12-14)**

But thou art holy, O thou that inhabitest the praises of Israel.  
Psalm 22:3 (KJV)

### **4. Understand that the breakthrough victory will come by God's power and not my own (v.15-21)**

I have told you all this so that you may have peace in me. Here on earth you will have many trials and sorrows. But take heart, because I have overcome the world.”  
John 16:33 (NLT)

### **5. Remember that God keeps His promises (v.22-27)**

No wonder our hearts have melted in fear! No one has the courage to fight after hearing such things. For the LORD your God is the supreme God of the heavens above and the earth below.

Joshua 2:11 (NLT)

Faith led the prostitute Rahab to welcome the spies as friends. She was not killed with those who refused to obey God.

Hebrews 11:31 (GWT)

You see that a person receives God's approval because of what he does, not only because of what he believes. The same is true of the prostitute Rahab who welcomed the spies and sent them away on another road. She received God's approval because of what she did.  
James 2:24-25 (GWT)

Salmon was the father of Boaz (whose mother was Rahab). Boaz was the father of Obed (whose mother was Ruth). Obed was the father of Jesse. Jesse was the father of King David.

Matthew 1:5-6 (NLT)

## CAN'T

Can't is the worst word that's written or spoken;  
Doing more harm here than slander and lies;  
On it is many a strong spirit broken,  
And with it many a good purpose dies.  
It springs from the lips of the thoughtless each morning

And robs us of courage we need through the day:  
It rings in our ears like a timely sent warning  
And laughs when we falter and fall by the way.

Can't is the father of feeble endeavor,  
The parent of terror and halfhearted work;  
It weakens the efforts of artisans clever,  
And makes of the toiler and indolent shirk.  
It poisons the soul of the man with a vision,  
It stifles in infancy many a plan;  
It greets honest toiling with open derision  
And mocks at the hopes and the dreams of a man...

Can't is the word that is foe to ambition,  
An enemy ambushed to shatter your will;  
Its prey is forever the man with a mission  
And bows but to courage and patience and skill.  
Hate it, with hatred that's deep and undying,  
For once it is welcomed 'twill break any man;  
Whatever the goal you are seeking, keep trying  
And answer the demon by saying: "I can."  
Edgar Guest\*

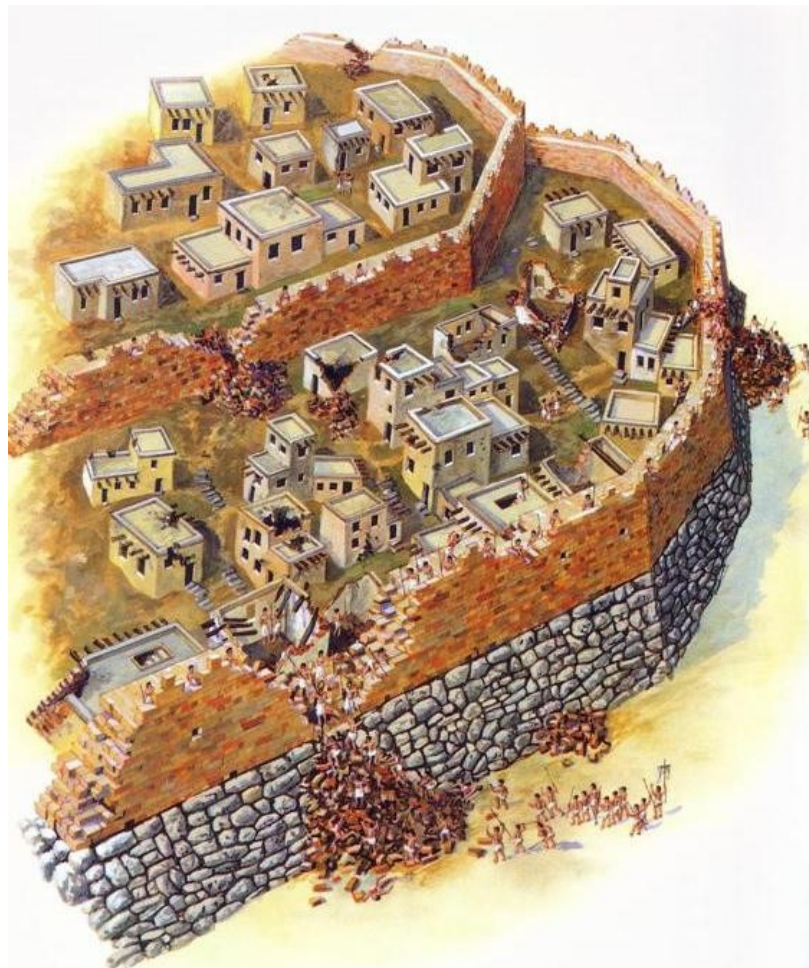
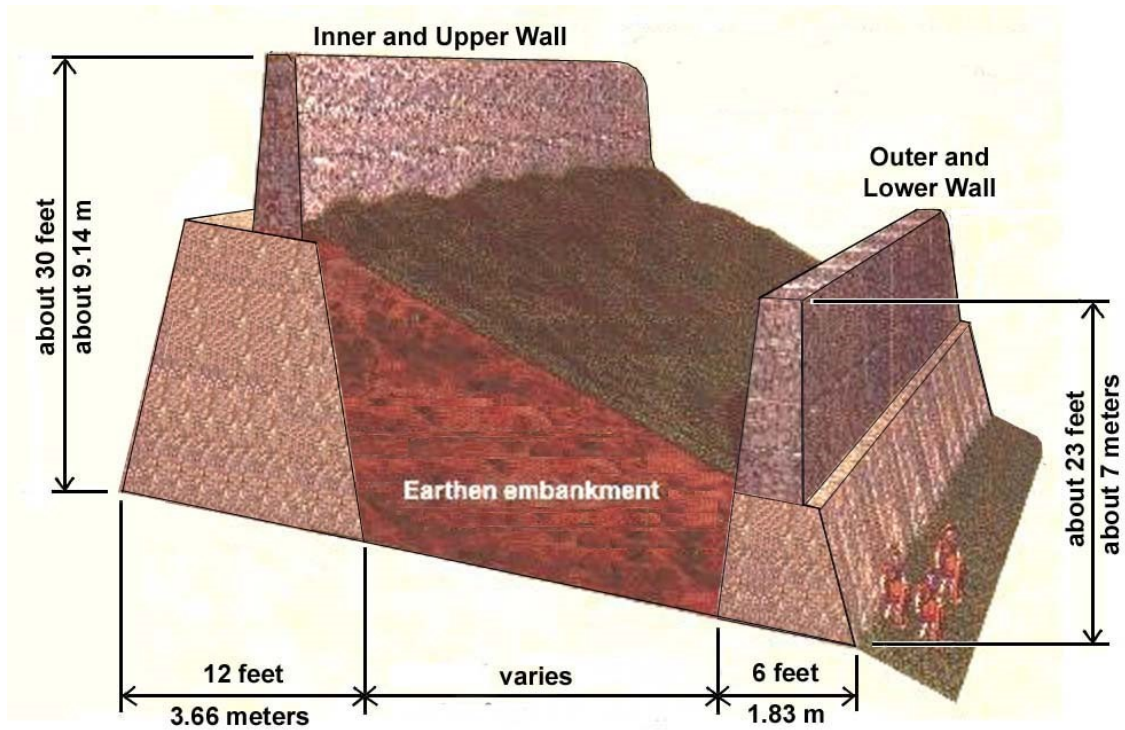
For with God nothing will be impossible."  
Luke 1:37 (NKJV)



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\*Adapted from Breakthrough Definition & Meaning | Dictionary.com; (*Can't* as quoted in The Book of Virtues, p.567-568)