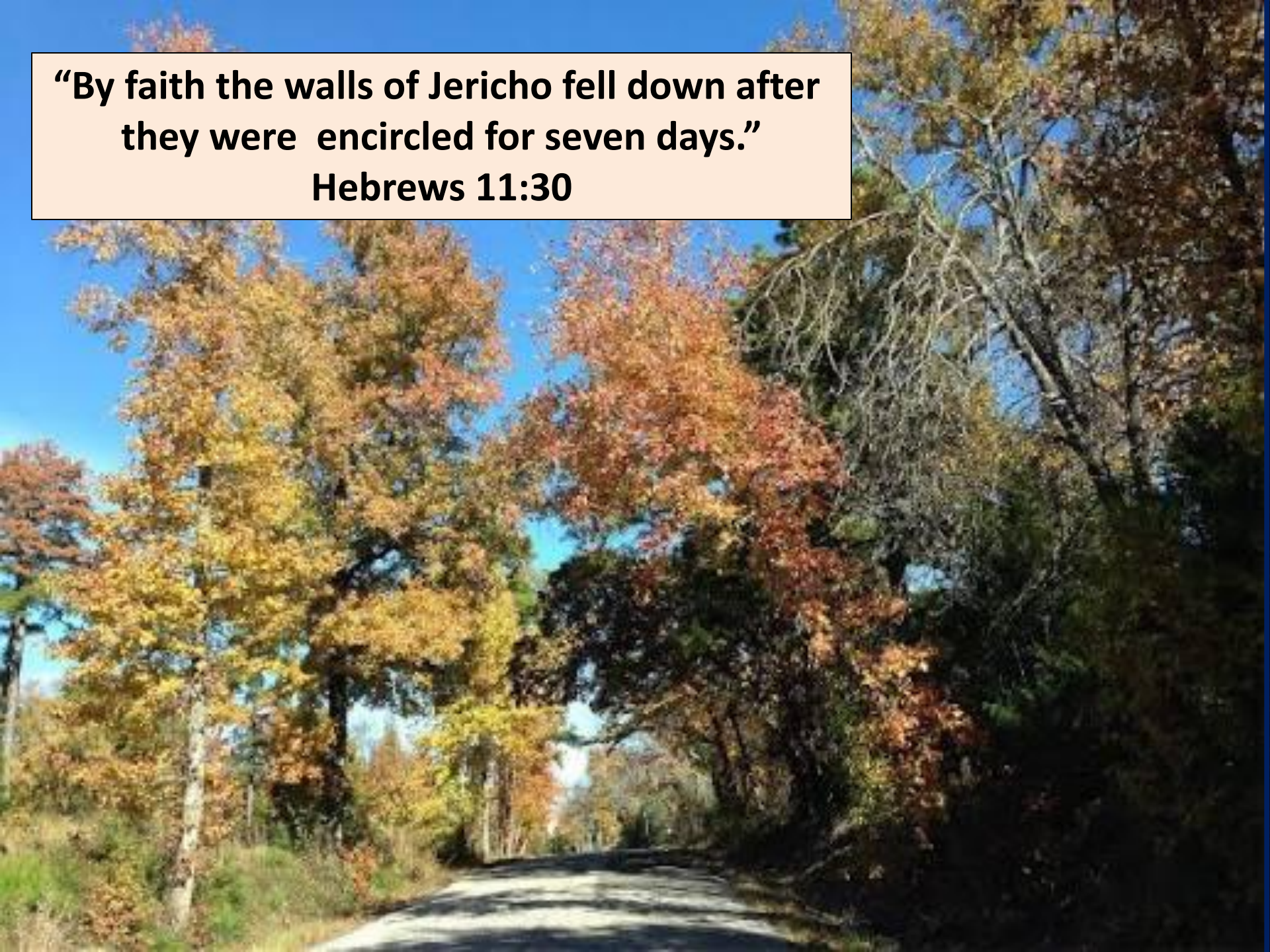

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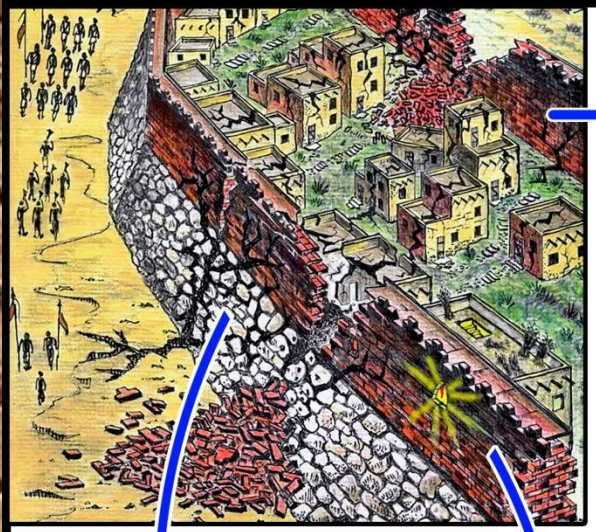
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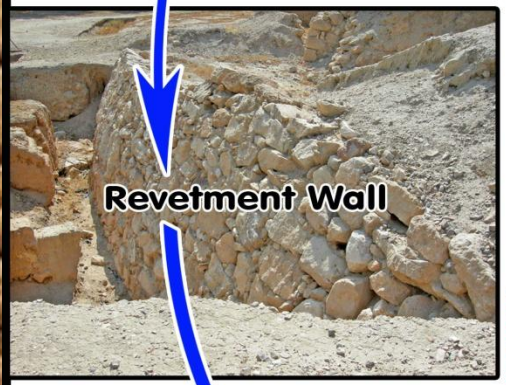
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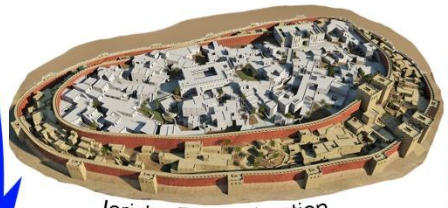
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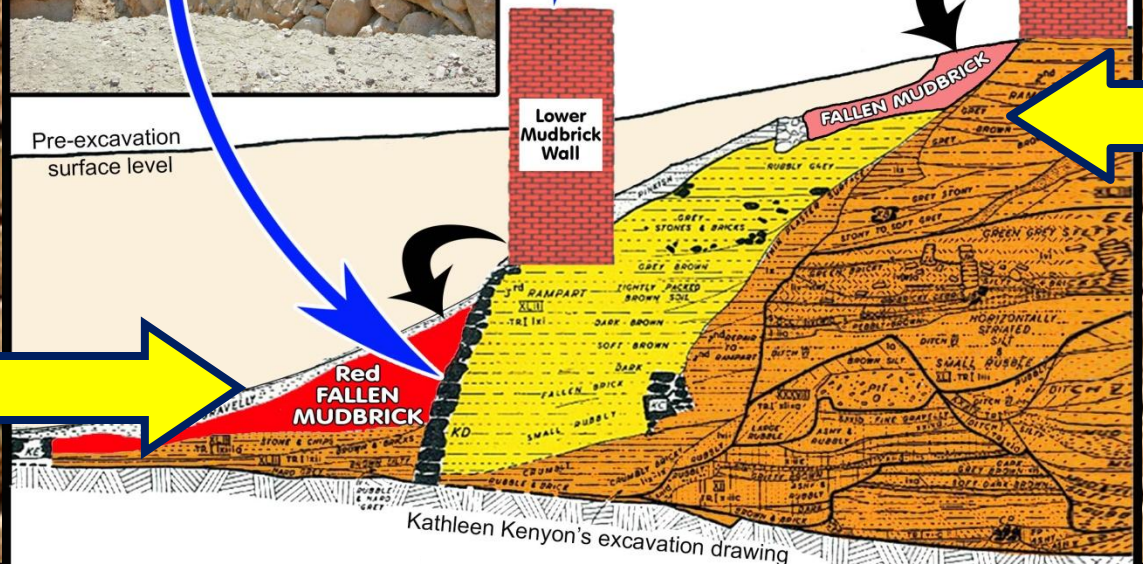
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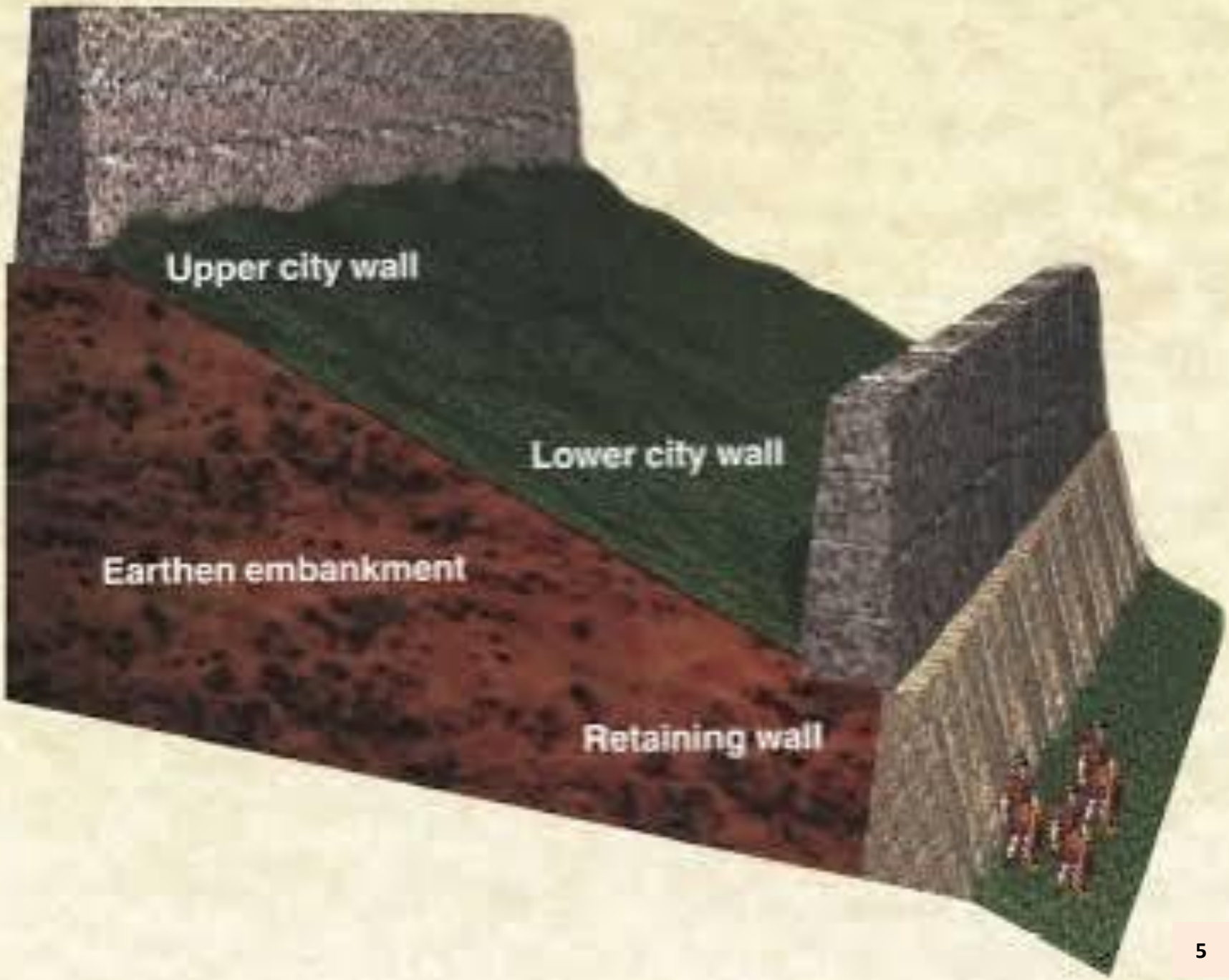



Jericho Reconstruction



Fallen mud brick

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Upper city wall
Lower city wall
Earthen embankment
Retaining wall

The Walls Fell by Faith

- Jericho was God's gift to His people, He wanted them to have it - Joshua 6:2, 16

- Salvation is God's gift to His people today, He wants us to have it –
- Romans 5:6-10 & 6:23
- Ephesians 2:4-9

The Walls Fell by Faith

- However, the gift of Jericho had conditions that had to be met – Joshua 6:3-19

- The gift of salvation has conditions also –
- John 3:16
- Mark 16:16
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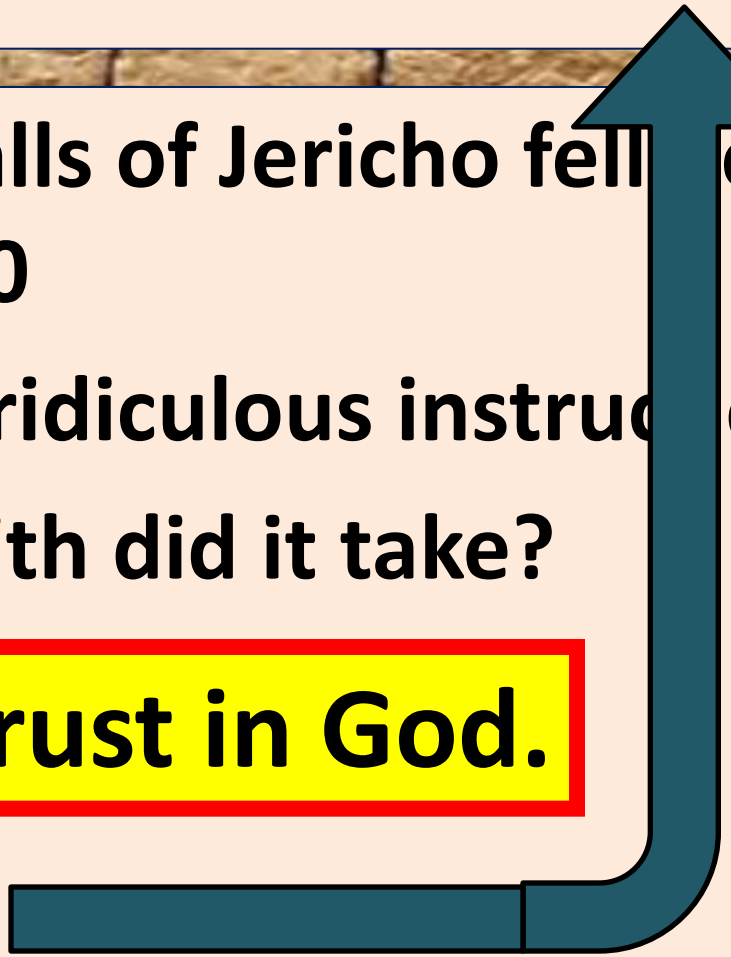
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A Complete Trust In God

- Willing to trust God even when we may not understand - Hebrews 11:6
- Our part in salvation is associated with faith. Everything we are instructed to do makes no sense without faith.
- Application - Baptism, is the answer of a good conscience… - 1 Peter 3:21

A Complete Trust = Exact Obedience

- Israel was given very specific instructions to receive God's gift, Jericho
  - Recall Joshua 6:16-19
- Not doing exactly as God commands brings consequences – Joshua 7:1, 5, 25-26



What must I do to be saved? *Acts 16:30*

- **Believe in Jesus –**
  John 8:24/3:16
- **Repent of Sins –**
  Luke 13:3-5; Acts 2:38/7:30-31
- **Confess your Faith in Jesus –**
  Matthew 10:32-33; Romans 10:9
- **Baptism for the Remission Of Sins –**
  Mark 16:16; Acts 2:38/22:16
- **Live Faithfully for the Remainder of Life –**
  Revelation 2:10; James 2:10
  - **Remember Matthew 7:21-23** *(not everyone, but…)*