The Walls Must Come Down

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Bringing down walls and strongholds in the promised land.
Let’s read

Joshua 6:1-21
Pulling down strongholds in our life by the power of God.
II Corinthians 10:4-5
The weapons we fight with are not the weapons of the world. On the contrary, they have divine power to demolish strongholds.
We demolish arguments and every pretension that sets itself up against the knowledge of God, and we take captive every thought to make it obedient to Christ.
What are the walls and strongholds?
Addictions, vices, habits, fears, oppressive thoughts, depression, discouragement, bondages brought on by hurts and wounds.
The sense of not being free. Knowing and sensing that walls exist in which God must break down.
The walls and strongholds in our mind must come down.
He who pursues righteousness and love finds life, prosperity and honor. A wise man attacks the city of the mighty and pulls down the stronghold in which they trust.
What destroyed the city of Jericho?
1. Hearing the Word of God
The Commander of the Lord’s Army gave detailed and specific commands.
Jesus told us how to be truly free.
To the Jews who had believed him, Jesus said, “If you hold to my teaching, you are really my disciples. Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free.”
2. The Ark of the Covenant
The presence of God. His presence brings His power.
Zechariah 4:6
Not by might nor by power, but by my Spirit,’ says the LORD Almighty.
3. Obedience

Joshua and all of Israel obeyed the commands of God in detail.
In the Hebrew mind faith is expressed through obedience to the voice of God.
In contrast disobedience is rebellion and ultimately unbelief towards God and His Word.
4. Worship and prayer. Signified by the “long blast” on the “Jubilee horn”.
Joshua 6:4
“trumpets of ram’s horns”
Shofaroth hayovlim
Shofars the Jubilees
Joshua 6:5

“sound a long blast”
the call to worship
Warfare is done in worship.
5. A shout of praise and victory. The shout was the final step to a miraculous victory.
Why shout?
The final act of obedience to the breaking of strongholds.
You definitely have to get past yourself to shout.
Getting beyond yourself to come into victory.
I am going to blow "the Jubilee horn" sound the long blast of worship and then give a shout of praise.
Break the walls down
let God set you free.
Amen
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