



## PRESCHOOL SEVEN TIMES AND A SHOUT

**Young Reader's Bible:** Seven Times and a Shout

**Supplies:** Paper/plastic cups (50-100) and a straw per child.

**Open:** Greet each child by name and play for three-five minutes

**Main Point to Drive Home:** God fought for the people against Jericho.

**Song:** (Optional) Sing a song from the boom box. If the kids are interested, create motions and invite them to dance and sing along.

### **Story Time:**

Take the bigger kids into the story room (leaving the door open and using the gate). Have them choose a carpet square to sit on for the story.

**Explain:** Last week, we talked about the Promised Land. Can anyone remember what the people found? (Milk, honey, grapes). We also have been learning the 10 Commandments. (Our class is up to 4. Review these with them. There will be posters on the wall that show motions to go with each commandment. Today, we're going to talk about the people going into the Promised Land.

### **Read "Seven Times and a Shout"**

**Explain:** Would you think you could defeat a city by walking around it and shouting? Probably not! But God commanded the Israelites to do just that and Joshua obeyed. Because of their obedience, God brought down the walls of the city and the people of Israel won.

**Activity:** Reenact the city collapsing. Stack paper or plastic cups in a square (these are the walls of Jericho). Have the children march around the "city" seven times. On the seventh time, have them blow their "trumpets" (the straws) and knock down the city. Play for the remaining time.