

JOSHUA 5-6

1. When God established the practice of **circumcision** with Abraham, what was circumcision to be a sign of (Gen. 17:11)? If any male was not circumcised, what was to happen to them (Gen. 17:14)?

According to Joshua 5:4-7, who among the people of Israel *had* been circumcised? Who among them *had not* been circumcised?

Joshua was to circumcise the sons of Israel with flint knives. What other incident involving circumcision with a flint knife is found in the Old Testament (see Exodus 4:24-26)?

2. What did God do for Israel because they obeyed His command to be circumcised (5:8-9)?
3. When the **Passover** meal was first established in Exodus 12:6, what day and month was Israel to keep the Passover? What were they to do at twilight?

When Joshua and Israel came into the land of Canaan, what day and month did they keep the Passover? At what time of day did they keep it?

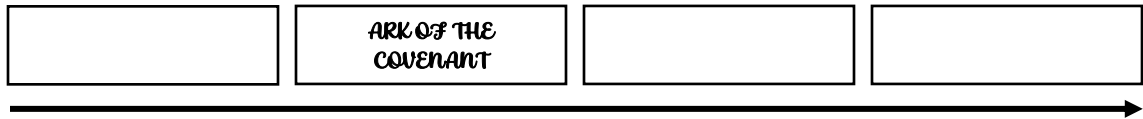
4. In 5:11-12, how many times does the author state that Israel ate the **food** of the land? Why do you think there's such an emphasis on that?

5. What lesson(s) do you think Joshua was supposed to learn from his encounter with the commander of the army of the Lord (5:13-15)?

6. How many different ways do you see the **number 7** used in 6:4? Why do you think there's such an emphasis on the number 7?

7. Look at 6:6-13. How many times is the **ark** of the covenant mentioned? Why do you think there's such an emphasis on the ark?

8. Look at 6:6-9 and fill in the boxes below. As the ark of the covenant marched around the city of Jericho, who was to be in front of it? Who was to be in front of them? Who was to be behind the ark?



9. Out of the seven days that they marched around Jericho, which day is described in verses 8-11? What day is described in verses 12-14? What day is described in verses 15ff?

10. Look at 6:17-25. What things/people in the city of Jericho were **destroyed**? What things/people were not destroyed, but taken out of the city?