YOUNG TWIGS

Joshua 5:1–7:26

Year 1, lesson 26

Walls, trumpets, shouts—God wins! God's people take Jericho, then fall into sin. What do you do about the temptation to covet? ▲

Observation: *what does it say?*

Read Joshua 5:1–7:26. Mark *circumcise, sons of Israel, under the ban, covet(ed)*.

1. What did God tell Joshua to do at the beginning of ch. 5?

2. What food did they eat while camped at Gilgal?

3. Who appeared to Joshua? What was his message?

4. How did Achan sin?

Interpretation: *what does the author mean?*

5. Why was it important for the people to be circumcised? When did this custom begin?

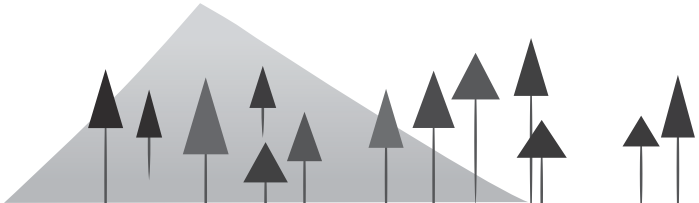
6. Do you remember other times when an angel appeared to someone? See Gen 18 and 32 for a reminder.

7. Why was every living thing in the city destroyed? See Deut. 20:16-18.

8. What does it mean to be "under the ban"? See Lev. 27:28 and margin notes.

Application: *therefore, what shall I do?*

9. The Israelites were to be circumcised because they belonged to God. What reminds you that you belong to God?

10. The Israelites showed themselves to be on God's side by being obedient to Him.
How do you show yourself to be on God's side?

11. "When I saw...then I coveted..." (7:21) What are you tempted to covet: someone else's clothes? appearance? friends? grades? How can you deal with this temptation?