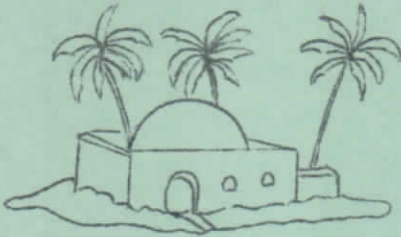


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Jericho is one of the oldest towns in Israel. It is 25 miles from Jerusalem, and only 5 miles from the Jordan River. To get to Jericho you travel downhill until you are on the flat plains of the Jordan River Valley. It is warm here even in December and January. People come from the colder hill country to enjoy the sun and flowers. There are springs of water that make Jericho a kind of oasis in a desert.

Jericho was the first city that Joshua defeated when he led the children of Israel into the Promised Land. Do you remember how the walls of the city fell in after the Israelites marched around and around it seven times?

Once Jesus healed a blind man here. Jesus told a story about a man who was travelling to Jericho who met some robbers.

Zacchaeus lived in this town. Remember how Jesus called him down from a tree and visited his house.

Read about Jericho in your Bible.

Joshua 6:20 and 24,25

Luke 19:1-10

Luke 10:30-37