

Why did the Walls of Jericho collapse?

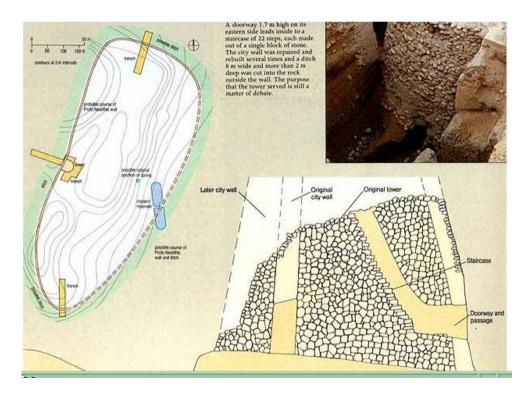


There are a few theories concerning why the walls fell down.

- 1. Earthquake
- 2. Shaky foundations
- 3. The sound/shock waves from everyone marching in unison weakened the walls
- 4. Can you think of any others?

BUT

- Excavations show the walls and foundations to have been strong.
- Houses were built within the walls so they were extremely thick.
- An earthquake would have damaged the camp at Gilgal, which was only 3 miles away.
- The Bible says that every part of the wall fell 'in its' place', with the exception of the part where Rahab lived.
- Jericho is possibility the oldest city in the world. Historians think there has been a city there since at least 7,000BC. It was now about 1405 BC so the inhabitants had had plenty of time to practice building strong walls!



What do you think?