## THE WALLS OF JERICHO

The new pastor of a rural church dropped into a Sunday School class and began quizzing the students to test the effectiveness of the teacher.

"Who knocked down the walls of Jericho?" he asked one boy.

"It sure weren't me, Reverend," the boy said.

Turning to the embarrassed teacher, the pastor exclaimed, "I suppose that's a sample of the kind of discipline you maintain!"



"Now, Reverend, Timmy's a good boy and doesn't tell lies. If he said he didn't do it, I believe him."

Thoroughly upset, the pastor took the matter to the church's board of deacons.

After due consideration, the board sent the following message to the minister: "We see no point in making an issue of this incident. The board will pay for the damages to the wall and charge it to vandalism."

Personally, I think there should have been an investigation. The trail might lead to the pastor's preaching.

We laugh at the story, but it does prove an obvious point.

Knowledge in our mission of taking care of our customers – or any organization or business, for that matter – is critically important. In the rapidly changing world of health care, keeping abreast of new initiatives, results of research, evolving protocols, and changes in regulations and reimbursement are essential.

In addition, keeping up with what's going on around us, including the shifting political winds, will serve us well.

The heart of the prudent acquires knowledge, and the ear of the wise seeks knowledge (Proverbs 18:15).

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