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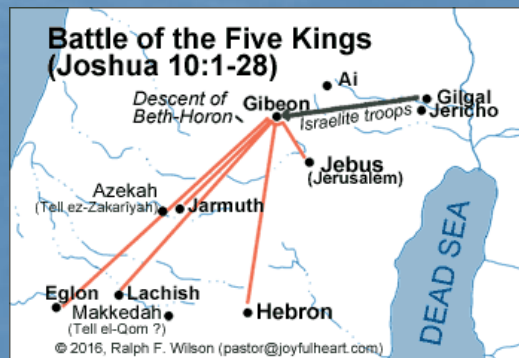


TROUBLE BREWING

- ^{NAS} **Joshua 10:1** Now it came about when Adoni-zedek king of Jerusalem heard that Joshua had captured Ai, and had utterly destroyed it (just as he had done to Jericho and its king, so he had done to Ai and its king), and that the inhabitants of Gibeon had made peace with Israel and were within their land, ² that he feared greatly, because Gibeon was a great city, like one of the royal cities, and because it was greater than Ai, and all its men were mighty.

ENEMY COALITION

- ^{NAS} **Joshua 10:3** Therefore Adoni-zedek king of Jerusalem sent word to Hoham king of Hebron and to Piram king of Jarmuth and to Japhia king of Lachish and to Debir king of Eglon, saying, ⁴ "Come up to me and help me, and let us attack Gibeon, for it has made peace with Joshua and with the sons of Israel." ⁵ So the five kings of the Amorites, the king of Jerusalem, the king of Hebron, the king of Jarmuth, the king of Lachish, and the king of Eglon, gathered together and went up, they with all their armies, and camped by Gibeon and fought against it.



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- ^{NAS} **Joshua 10:6** Then the men of Gibeon sent word to Joshua to the camp at Gilgal, saying, "Do not abandon your servants; come up to us quickly and save us and help us, for all the kings of the Amorites that live in the hill country have assembled against us." ⁷ So Joshua went up from Gilgal, he and all the people of war with him and all the valiant warriors.

GREEN LIGHT

- ^{NAS} **Joshua 10:8** And the LORD said to Joshua, "Do not fear them, for I have given them into your hands; not one of them shall stand before you."

THE FIGHT IS ON

- ^{NAS} **Joshua 10:9** So Joshua came upon them suddenly by marching all night from Gilgal... ¹² Then Joshua spoke to the LORD in the day when the LORD delivered up the Amorites before the sons of Israel, and he said in the sight of Israel, "O sun, stand still at Gibeon, And O moon in the valley of Aijalon." ¹³ So the sun stood still, and the moon stopped, Until the nation avenged themselves of their enemies. Is it not written in the book of Jashar? And the sun stopped in the middle of the sky, and did not hasten to go down for about a whole day. ¹⁴ And there was no day like that before it or after it, when the LORD listened to the voice of a man; for the LORD fought for Israel.

THE BATTLE BELONGS TO THE LORD

- ^{NAS} **Joshua 10:10** And the LORD confounded them before Israel, and He slew them with a great slaughter at Gibeon, and pursued them by the way of the ascent of Beth-horon, and struck them as far as Azekah and Makkedah. ¹¹ And it came about as they fled from before Israel, while they were at the descent of Beth-horon, that the LORD threw large stones from heaven on them as far as Azekah, and they died; there were more who died from the hailstones than those whom the sons of Israel killed with the sword.
- ^{NAS} **Exodus 23:27** "I will send My terror ahead of you, and throw into confusion all the people among whom you come, and I will make all your enemies turn their backs to you.

MISSION ACCOMPLISHED

- NAS **Joshua 10:15** Then Joshua and all Israel with him returned to the camp to Gilgal.





APPLICATION

OUR CONQUEST

- ^{NAS} **Philippians 2:12** So then, my beloved, just as you have always obeyed, not as in my presence only, but now much more in my absence, work out your salvation with fear and trembling;
- ^{ESV} **Ephesians 4:15** Rather, speaking the truth in love, we are to grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ,
- ^{ESV} **Romans 13:14** But put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.
- ^{NIV} **2 Peter 3:18** But grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ...

THE BATTLE BELONGS TO THE LORD

- **NAS Philippians 2:12** So then, my beloved, just as you have always obeyed, not as in my presence only, but now much more in my absence, work out your salvation with fear and trembling; ¹³ for it is God who is at work in you, both to will and to work for His good pleasure.
- **NAS Titus 3:5** He saved us, not on the basis of deeds which we have done in righteousness, but according to His mercy, by the washing of regeneration and renewing by the Holy Spirit,
- **NAS 2 Corinthians 3:18** But we all, with unveiled face beholding as in a mirror the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from glory to glory, just as from the Lord, the Spirit.

JOSHUA'S PRAYER

- ^{NAS} **Joshua 10:12** Then Joshua spoke to the LORD in the day when the LORD delivered up the Amorites before the sons of Israel, and he said in the sight of Israel, "O sun, stand still at Gibeon, And O moon in the valley of Aijalon."
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PAUL'S PRAYER

- ^{NAS} **Ephesians 3:14** For this reason, I bow my knees before the Father, ¹⁵ from whom every family in heaven and on earth derives its name, ¹⁶ that He would grant you, according to the riches of His glory, to be strengthened with power through His Spirit in the inner man; ¹⁷ so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith; and that you, being rooted and grounded in love, ¹⁸ may be able to comprehend with all the saints what is the breadth and length and height and depth, ¹⁹ and to know the love of Christ which surpasses knowledge, that you may be filled up to all the fulness of God.

BIG PRAYER ... BIGGER ANSWER

- ^{NAS} **Ephesians 3:20** Now to Him who is able to do exceeding abundantly beyond all that we ask or think, according to the power that works within us, ²¹ to Him *be* the glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations forever and ever. Amen.

CONCLUSIONS

FEAR NOT: GOD IS FOR US

- ^{NAS} **Joshua 10:8** And the LORD said to Joshua, "Do not fear them, for I have given them into your hands; not one of them shall stand before you."
- ^{NIV} **Psalm 27:1** The LORD is my light and my salvation-- whom shall I fear? The LORD is the stronghold of my life-- of whom shall I be afraid?
- ^{NIV} **Romans 8:31** What, then, shall we say in response to this? If God is for us, who can be against us?

FEAR NOT: GOD IS IN CONTROL

- ^{NAS} **Romans 8:28** And we know that God causes all things to work together for good to those who love God, to those who are called according to His purpose.
- ^{NAS} **Genesis 50:20** "And as for you, you meant evil against me, *but* God meant it for good in order to bring about this present result ...
- ^{NAS} **1 Peter 1:7** that the proof of your faith, being more precious than gold which is perishable, even though tested by fire, may be found to result in praise and glory and honor at the revelation of Jesus Christ; ⁸ and though you have not seen Him, you love Him, and though you do not see Him now, but believe in Him, you greatly rejoice with joy inexpressible and full of glory,

FEAR NOT: GOD KEEPS PROMISES

- ^{NAS} **Ephesians 3:20** Now to Him who is able to do exceeding abundantly beyond all that we ask or think, according to the power that works within us, ²¹ to Him be the glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations forever and ever. Amen.
- ^{NAS} **1 Corinthians 2:9** but just as it is written, "Things which eye has not seen and ear has not heard, And which have not entered the heart of man, All that God has prepared for those who love Him."
- ^{NIV} **2 Corinthians 1:20** For no matter how many promises God has made, they are "Yes" in Christ. And so through him the "Amen" is spoken by us to the glory of God.