

Joshua

Sermon Notes – March 1, 2020

[#13] *God Fights for Israel: Southern Campaign*

Joshua 10:1–43

Children's Sermon: The Scorpion Sting of Sin

The Sting of a Scorpion

1 Corinthians 15:56–58

⁵⁶ The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law.

- Why do all people die?
- Is there a way to win this battle against sin & death?

Big Picture

Victorious Conquest (1–12)

- I. **Preparation** for Conquest: Be Strong & Courageous (1:1–18)
- II. **Victories Over Two Cities (2–8)**
- III. **Victories Over Two Alliances (9–12)**
 - A. The Canaanites Gather to Fight (9:1–2)
 - B. Victory Over the **Southern Alliance** (9:3–10:43)
 1. The Gibeonite Treaty (9:3–27)
 2. **The Battle at Gibeon (10:1-15)**
 - a. The Jerusalem Alliance Attacks Gibeon (10:1–5)
 - b. Yahweh Fought for Israel (10:6–15)
 3. Israel's Enemies Put Under their Feet (10:16–28)
 4. Yahweh Defeats Southern Canaan (10:29–43)
 - C. Victory Over the **Northern Alliance** (11:1–23)
 - D. List of Conquered Kings & Land (12:1–24)

Notes:

Yahweh Defeats the Jerusalem Alliance (10:1–15)

(Adoni-zedek, King of Jerusalem)

I. The Jerusalem Alliance Attacks Gibeon (10:1–5)

(Adoni-zedek, **Jerusalem**; Hoham, **Hebron**; Piram, **Jarmuth**; Japhia, **Lachish**, and Debir, **Eglon**)

Deuteronomy 7:1–2

7 “When *the LORD your God brings you* into the land that you are entering to take possession of it, *and clears away many nations before you*, the Hittites, the Girgashites, the Amorites, the Canaanites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites, **seven nations more numerous and mightier than you,** ² and *when the LORD your God gives them over to you*, and you defeat them, then *you must devote them to complete*

destruction. You shall make no covenant with them and show no mercy to them.

II. Yahweh Has Given this Army into Israel's Hands (10:6–9)

⁸ And the Lord said to Joshua, “Do not fear them, for I have given them into your hands. Not a man of them shall stand before you.” ⁹ So Joshua came upon them suddenly, having marched up all night from Gilgal.



III. Yahweh Fought for Israel (10:10–15)

A. Hail (10-11)

^{11b} ...the LORD threw down large stones from heaven on them as far as Azekah, and they died. There were more who died because of the hailstones than the sons of Israel killed with the sword.

B. Time: “Heeding the Voice of a Man (12-15)

¹² At that time *Joshua spoke to the LORD* in the day when the LORD gave the Amorites over to the sons of Israel, and *he said in the sight of Israel*,

“Sun, stand still at Gibeon,
and moon, in the Valley of Aijalon.”

¹³ And the sun stood still, and the moon stopped,
until the nation *took vengeance on their enemies*.

Is this not written in **the Book of Jashar**? The sun stopped in the midst of heaven and did not hurry to set for about a whole day. ¹⁴ There has been no day like it before or since, when the LORD heeded the voice of a man, for the LORD fought for Israel.

IV. Israel's Enemies Put Under their Feet (10:16–28)

V. Yahweh Defeats Southern Canaan (10:29–43)

Main Point for Israel:

With Yahweh the divine warrior Israel has nothing to fear from their enemies.
(Who are more numerous
& mightier than they were)

Original Meaning

2. Covenant Loyalty (God's Promises, Israel's Obedience)
4. God's Supernatural Power

Jesus Our Devine Warrior Fights for Us!

(To Win the Ultimate Battle) 

Jesus fights for us against our enemies (Satan, sin, & death).

I. Inauguration (The Person & Work of Jesus; Cf. Hail)



A. The Cross & Resurrection (Jordan)

Colossians 2:15

[On the cross] ¹⁵ He disarmed the rulers and authorities and put them to open shame, by triumphing over them in him.

B. Pentecost, Apostles & Prophets (Jericho)

Acts 5:31–32

³¹ God exalted [Jesus] at his right hand as Leader and Savior, *to give repentance to Israel* and forgiveness of sins. ³² And *we are witnesses to these things*, and *so is the Holy Spirit*, whom God has given to those who obey him.”

C. Our New Birth (Gibeon)

Colossians 2:13–14

¹³ And you, who were dead in your trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, *God made alive* together with him, having forgiven us all our trespasses, ¹⁴ by canceling the record of debt that stood against us with its legal demands. This he set aside, *nauling it to the cross.*

II. Continuation (Jesus Speaks to the Father for Us)

A. God Listens to the Voice of a Man

Romans 8: 31–32, 34

^{31b} ...*If God is for us, who can be against us?* ³² *He who did not spare his own Son but gave him up for us all*, how will he not also with him graciously *give us all things?*... ³⁴ Who is to condemn? Christ Jesus is the one who died—more than that, who was raised—who is at the right hand of God, *who indeed is interceding for us.*

B. God Grants Us Victory Over Sin & Death

1 Corinthians 15:56–58

⁵⁶ The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. ⁵⁷ But thanks be to God, who *gives us the victory* through our Lord Jesus Christ.

⁵⁸ **Therefore**, my beloved brothers, *be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that **in the Lord your labor is not in vain.***