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The Southern Lock Opens

Joshua 10:1-11

The Conquest Of Obedience Series

Life Change: We take advantage of opportunities to advance God's Kingdom.

Autoimmune disorders...

The Amorite group attacks alone.

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Gibeon calls for help.

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When the locks turns, Joshua attacks.

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It's actually the Lord who opens the door.

8, 10-11

He speaks in *perfective aspect*.

Therefore, Joshua should not fear.

He panics the enemy.

Therefore, Joshua charges ahead.

He supernaturally provides.

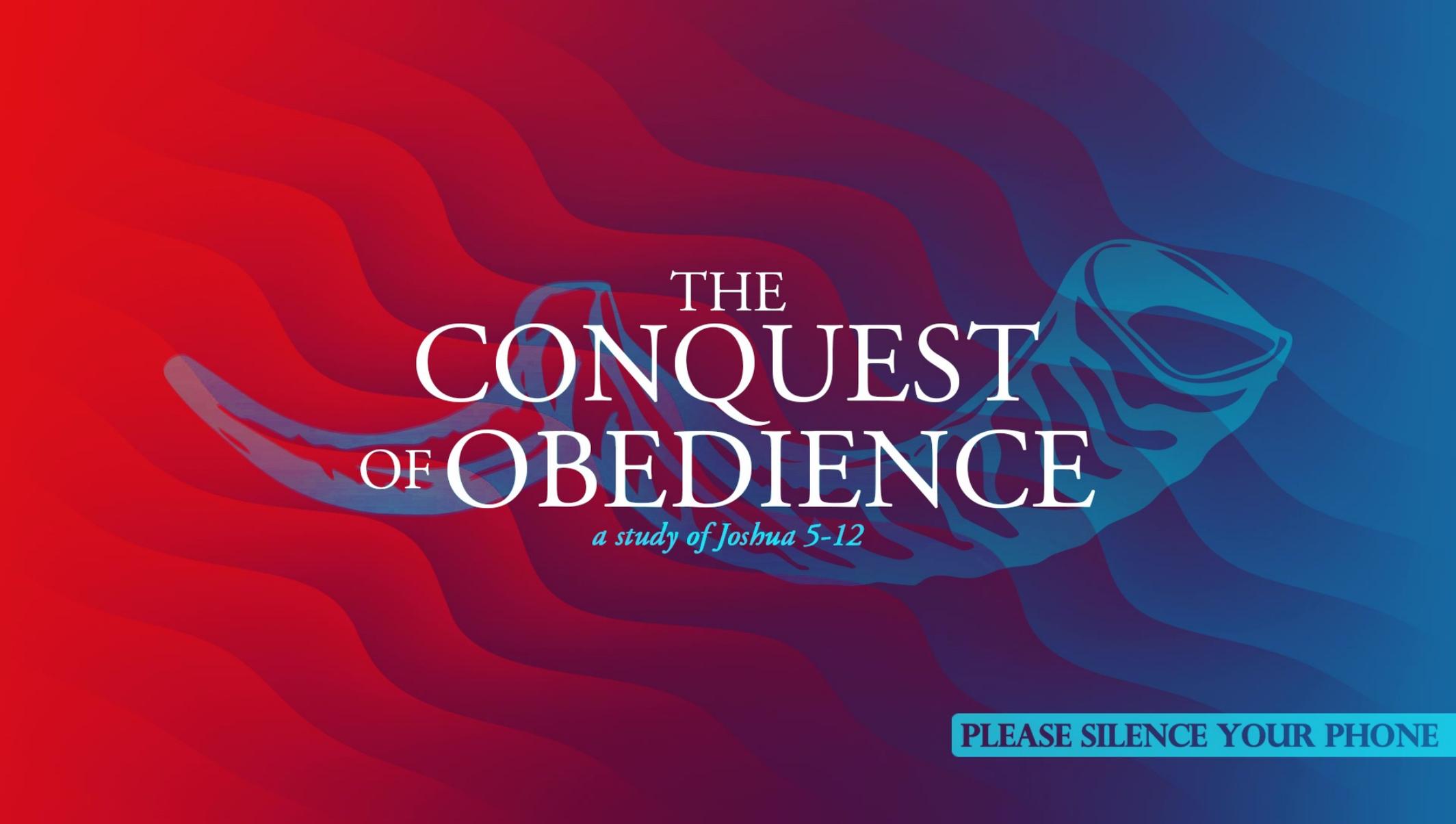
Therefore, Joshua partners with Him.

How should we partner with God?

Assess the situation.

Ask God for help.

Work the opportunity.



THE
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a study of Joshua 5-12

PLEASE SILENCE YOUR PHONE

There are over 100 known autoimmune disorders, but each has this in common – the human body's immune system either attacks or refuses to work with the rest of the body.



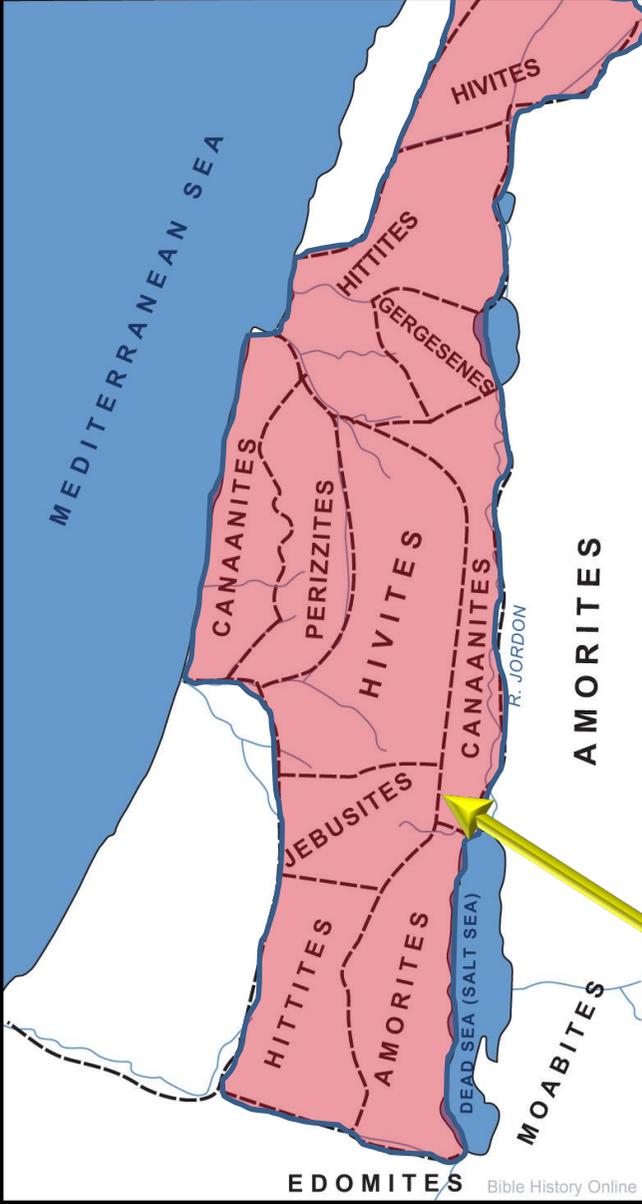


Often the most significant problem is that the internal dissension in the body opens the lock that allows the penetration of outside bacteria.

Joshua 9

¹ When all the kings heard about Jericho and Ai, those who were west of the Jordan in the hill country, in the Judean foothills, and all along the coast of the Mediterranean Sea toward Lebanon—the Hethites, Amorites, Canaanites, Perizzites, Hivites, and Jebusites—² they formed a unified alliance to fight against Joshua and Israel. ^{CSB}

Powers allied against Joshua



Joshua 10

¹ Now King Adoni-zedek of Jerusalem heard that Joshua had captured Ai and completely destroyed it, treating Ai and its king as he had Jericho and its king, and that the inhabitants of Gibeon had made peace with Israel and were living among them. ² So Adoni-zedek and his people were greatly alarmed because Gibeon was a large city like one of the royal cities; it was larger than Ai, and all its men were warriors.

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Joshua 10

³ Therefore King Adoni-zedek of Jerusalem sent word to King Hoham of Hebron, King Piram of Jarmuth, King Japhia of Lachish, and King Debir of Eglon, saying,

⁴ “Come up and help me. We will attack Gibeon, because they have made peace with Joshua and the Israelites.”

⁵ So the five Amorite kings—the kings of Jerusalem, Hebron, Jarmuth, Lachish, and Eglon—joined forces, advanced with all their armies, besieged Gibeon, and fought against it. ^{CSB}

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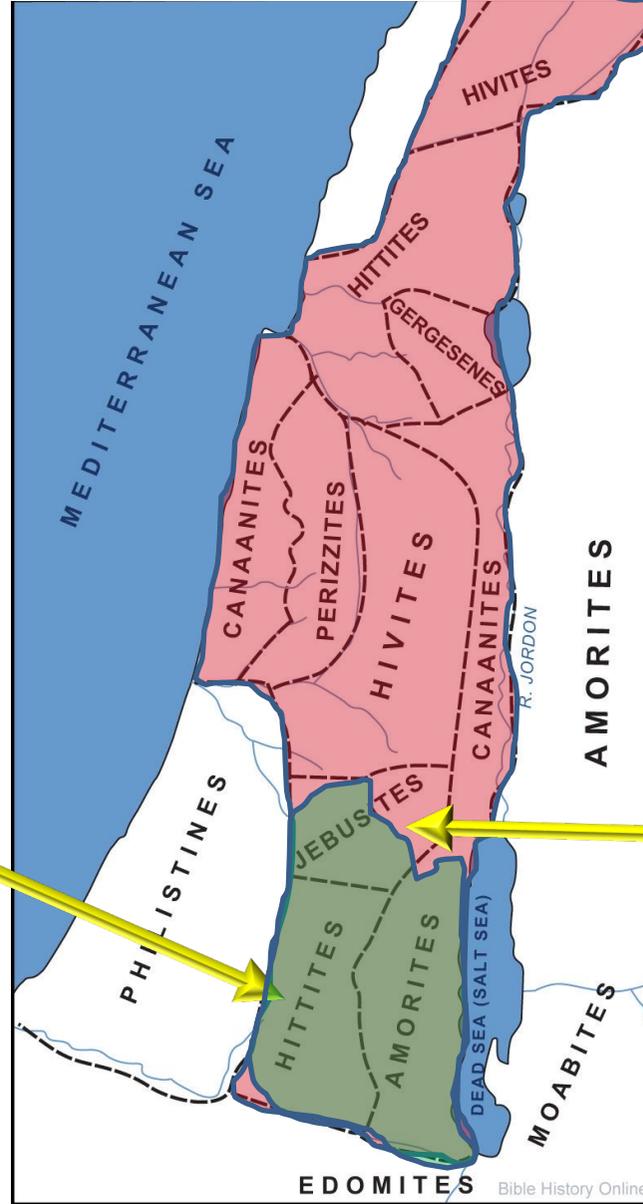
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Hittites are no longer a real entity; Amorite strongmen control their biggest cities.



-  **Total anti-Israel coalition**
-  **5 Amorite city-states that attack Gibeon**

Jebusites are a subset of Amorites

Battle of the Five Kings (Joshua 10:1-28)



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God had offered all these people the opportunity to join Israel. All refused.



After some trickery, the Gibeonites came around and surrendered themselves to YHWH and Israel.

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**Are you a Canadian citizen or
legal resident?**

**Do you support the right to
abortion on demand?**



**A Canadian college student cannot get a government
internship unless he first attests that he supports
abortion. There is no religious exception.**

I deeply wish I were making this up. Sadly, it is true.



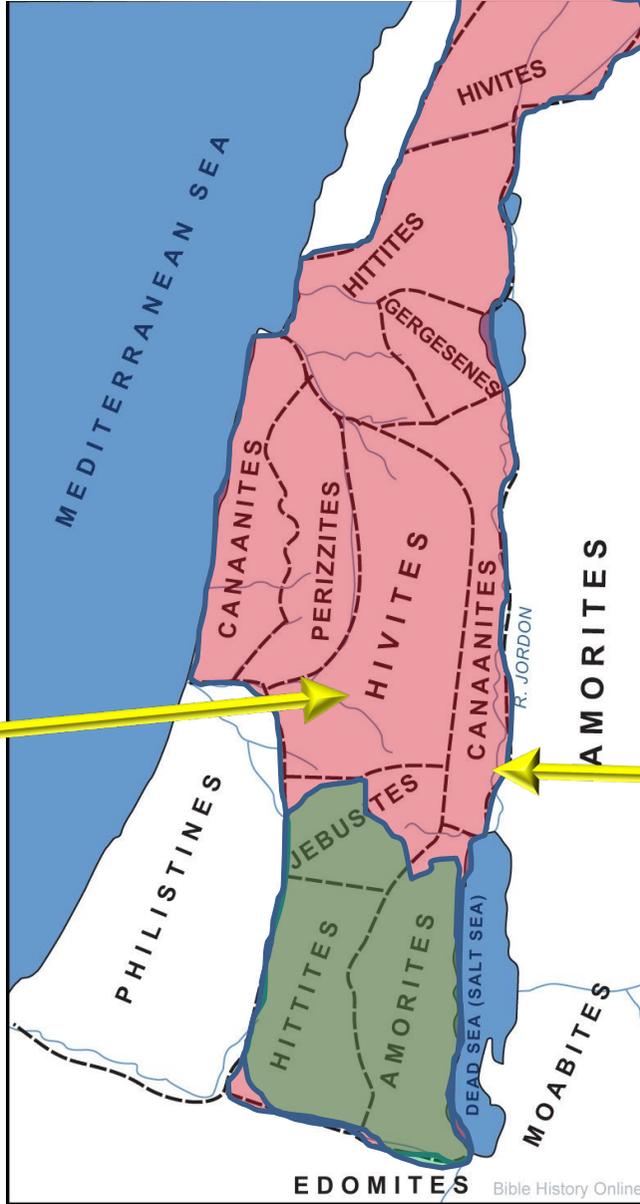
**Let's let Parliament
vote on the Tory
Party bill. – Liberal
Party MP Scott Sims**

You're sacked!
– Liberal Party PM
Justin Trudeau



Why don't they attack as a whole body?

Or send these guys?

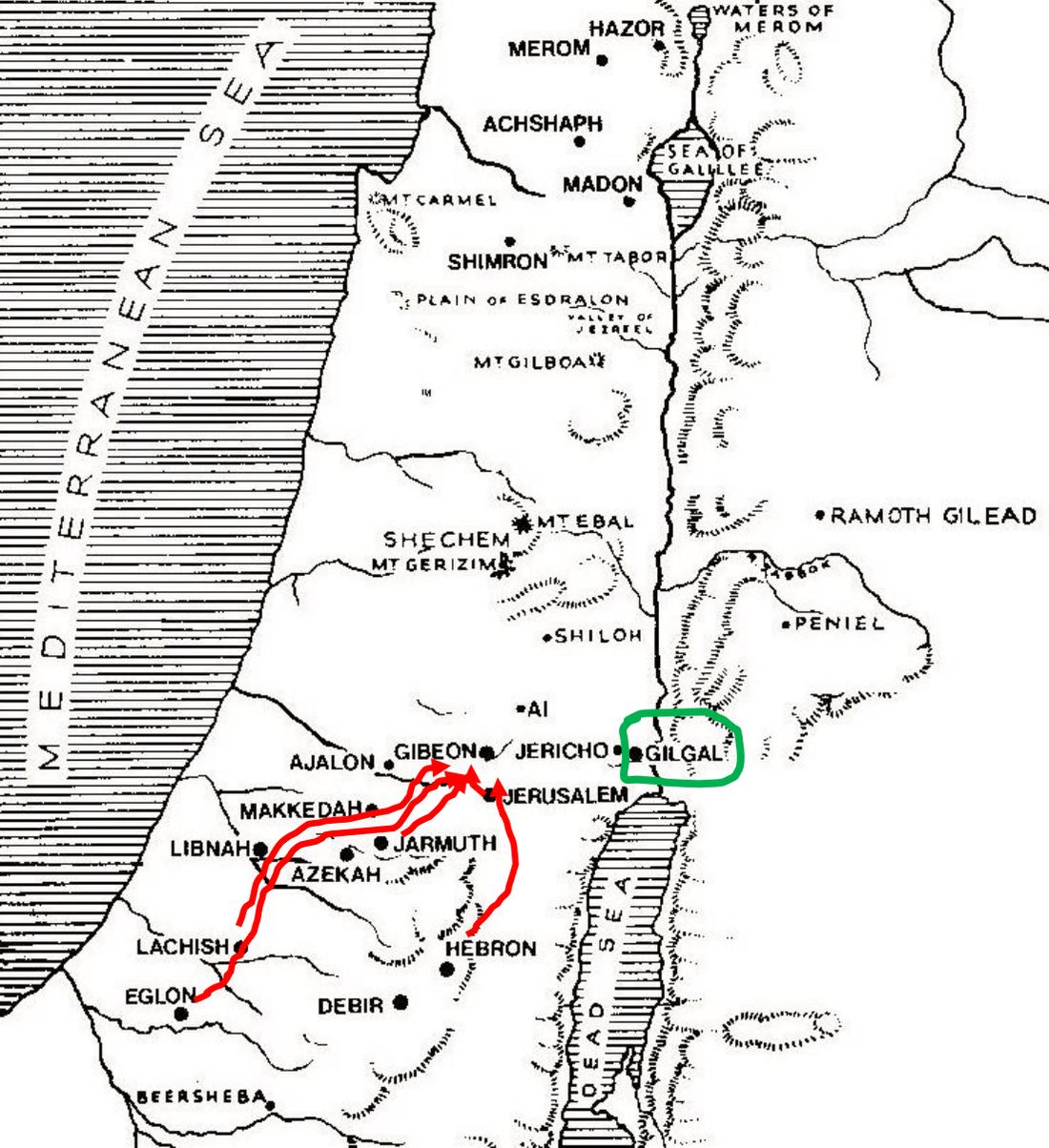


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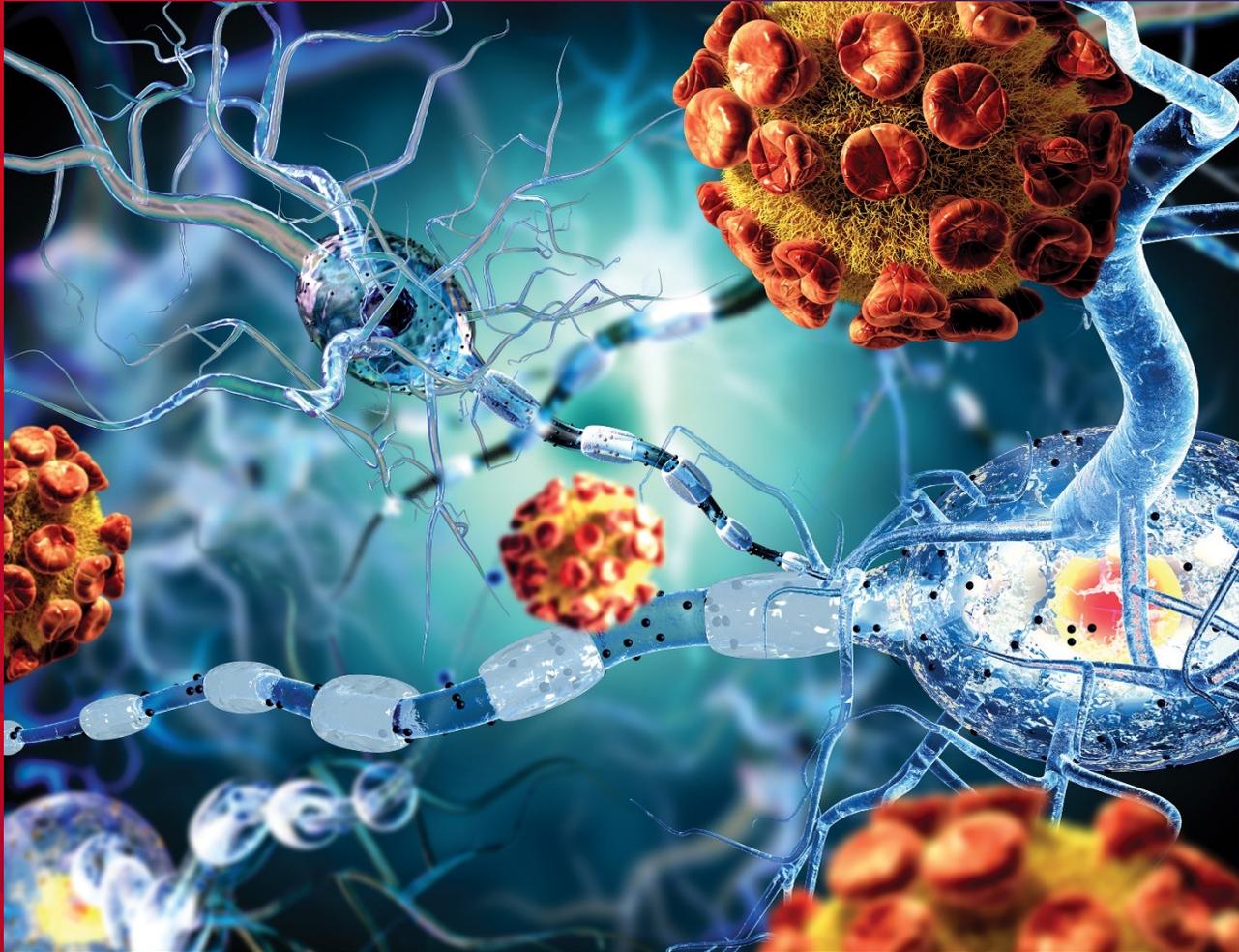
Or these guys?

Genesis 15

¹⁶ “They [your offspring] will return here, for the iniquity of the Amorites has not yet reached its full measure” ... ¹⁸ So the LORD made a covenant with Abram that day and said, “I have given this land to your descendants.” CSB



**Why not attack Joshua directly?
Even with only the Amorite armies, they have force enough to hit Joshua at Gilgal.**



courtesy UCHealth

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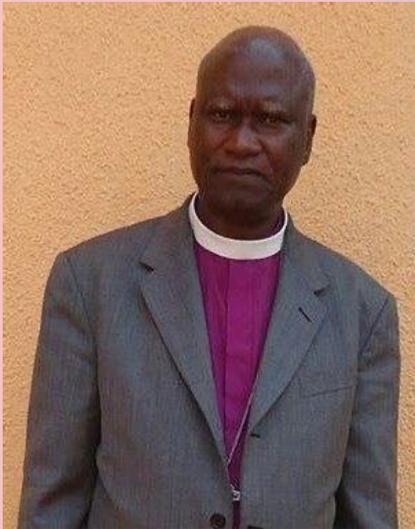
**Michael
Kyomya**

courtesy Hessed



courtesy Hased

It turns out that even though I am now bishop in the state (Anglican) church of Uganda, there is a great deal of resistance to making the priests study the scriptures and theology. I can require the priests to come to class

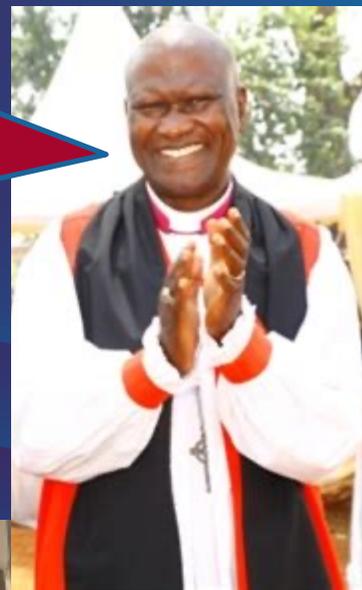


but can't easily pay the costs from the church budget. I want to form a new organization that will fund pastoral training, but don't know how.

– Rev. Dr. Bishop Michael Kyomya



Thank you for 20+ wonderful years!



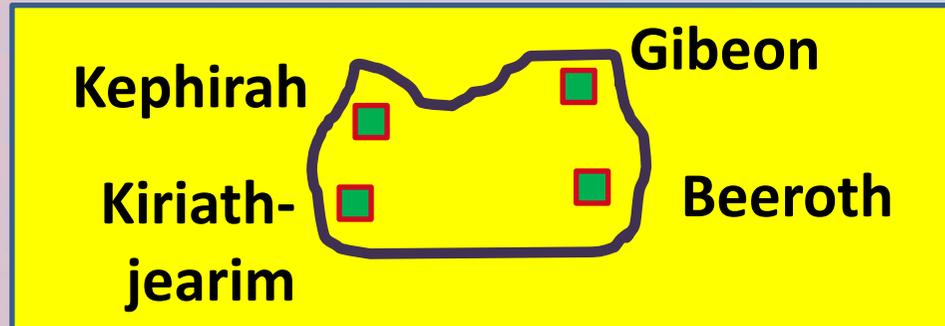
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Joshua 10

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Over 20 miles of siege lines if they covered all the Gibeonites

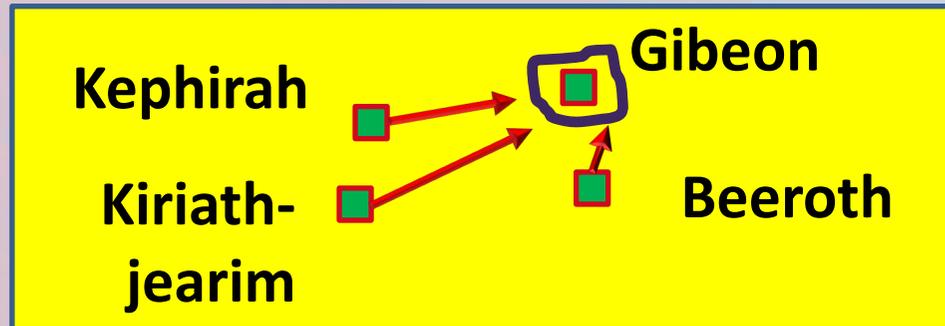


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Vulnerable to sorties
from the others if they
besieged only Gibeon



Joshua 10

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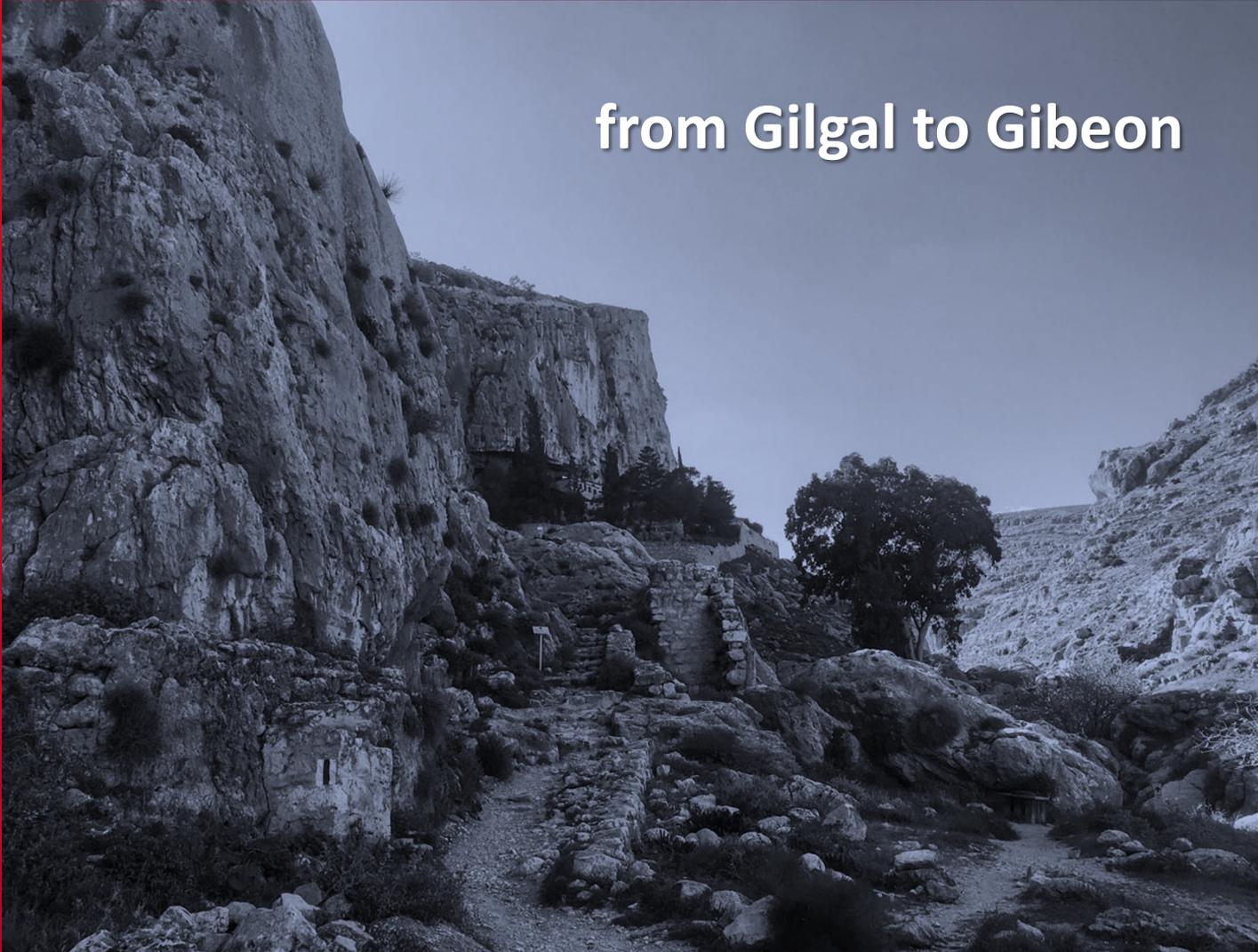
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Hebrew: גִּבּוֹרֵי הַיָּלִל gibbor hayil = powerful males who use their considerable power for good [Boaz]

from Gilgal to Gibeon



courtesy 10adventures



**The ancient Gibeon
“acropolis” sat atop
this tel above the
plain.**

Joshua 10



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Hannibal 217 BC



**large force
long-distance
successful
surprise attacks**

**Jackson
1863**



Washington 1776



**Badanov
1942**



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**General Badanov:
And just what is
perforated aspic?**



**WB:
perfective
aspect!**

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Joshua 6

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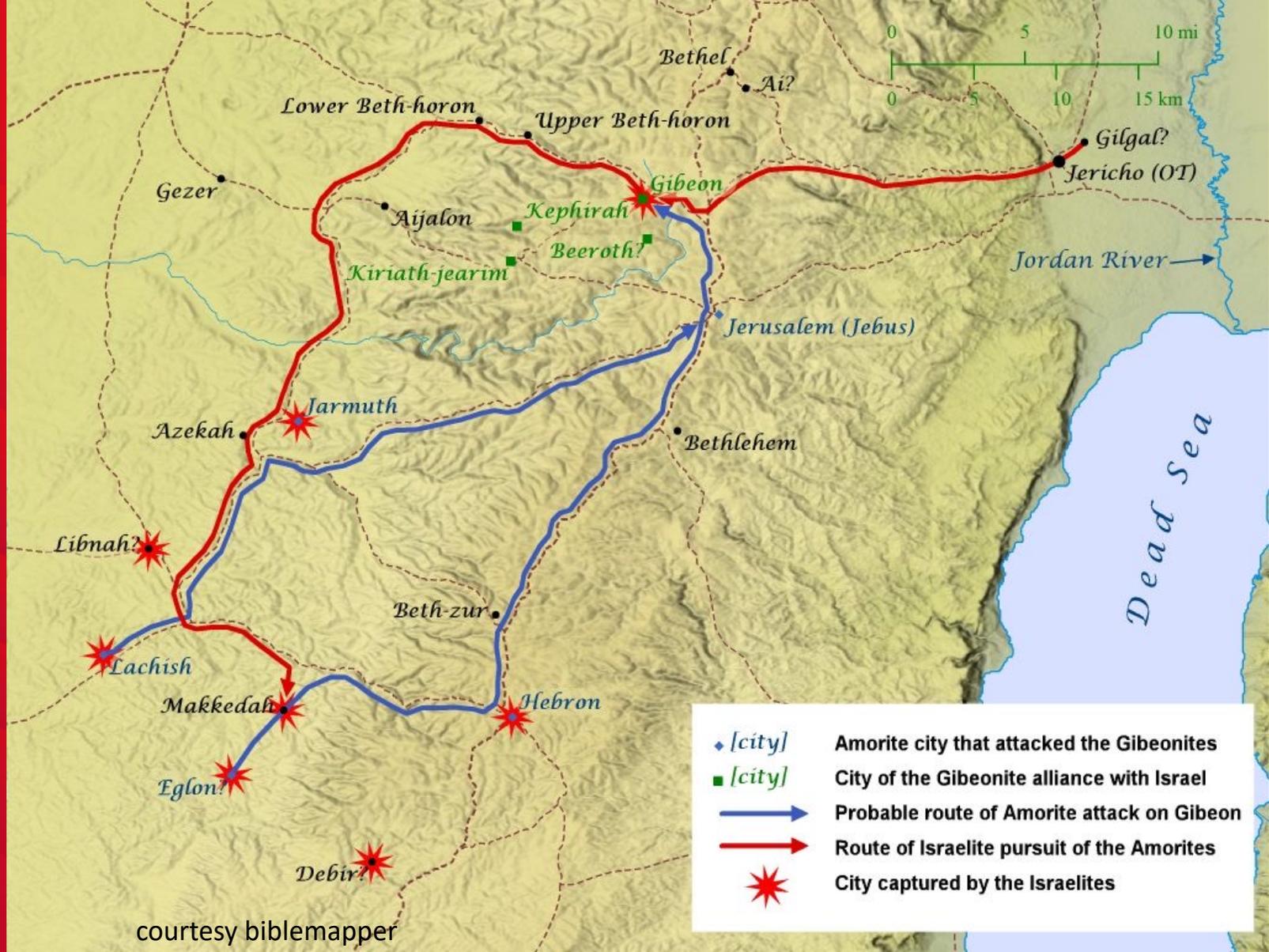
Hebrews 10

¹⁴ For by one offering he [Jesus] has perfected forever those who are sanctified. ^{CSB}

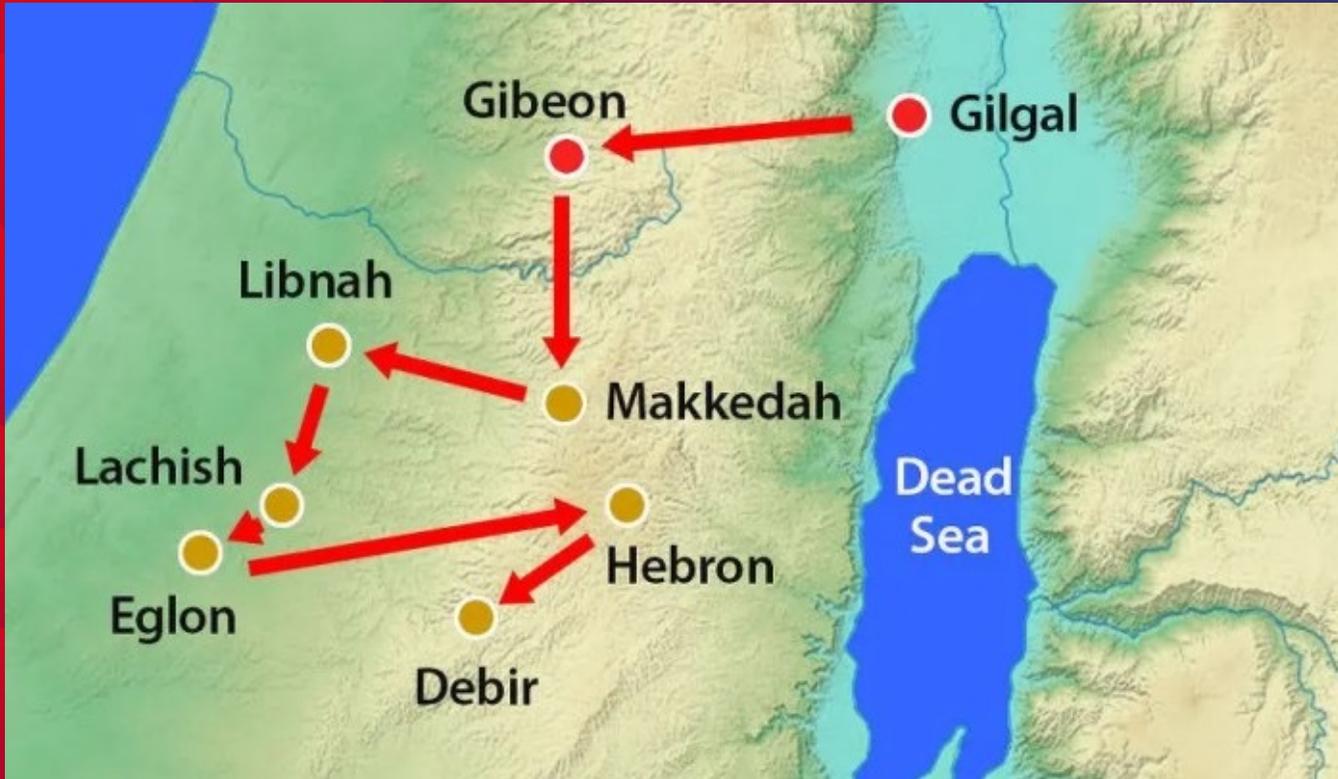
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**So how then
should we partner
with God?**





*Joshua assesses
the situation*
The Joshua Roll
10th c.

Just as Ai exposed the sinful cancer of greed inside the camp of Israel, there are certain scenarios that alert us to our own sin patterns.

Israel is defeated at Ai
The Joshua Roll
10th c.



I open the internet browser. A lascivious advertisement image flashes across the screen. I am greatly tempted to give in to the sin of lust. This battle occurs:

Every time

Most of the time

Sometimes

Rarely

Never

Someone else gets promoted, but I don't. I am greatly tempted to give into the sin of jealousy.

This battle occurs:

Every time

Most of the time

Sometimes

Rarely

Never

I am not hungry, having just eaten a good meal one hour ago. Yet, I have been feeling sad, stressed, or misunderstood. I am greatly tempted to give in to the sin of gluttony. This battle occurs:

Every time

Most of the time

Sometimes

Rarely

Never

I am listening to a fool speak foolishness. I am greatly tempted to give in to the sin of being argumentative [a sin marked not by disagreeing itself but by doing so unwisely, inopportunately, or in a disagreeable manner.]

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I am learning what a jerk I have been. Why didn't you guys tell me years ago?

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Dude. We tried.

It's a process that never ends, brother.

Only you can do that.

Thank you, Jesus!

1 Peter 5

⁸ Be sober-minded, be alert. Your adversary the devil is prowling around like a roaring lion, looking for anyone he can devour. ⁹ Resist him, firm in the faith

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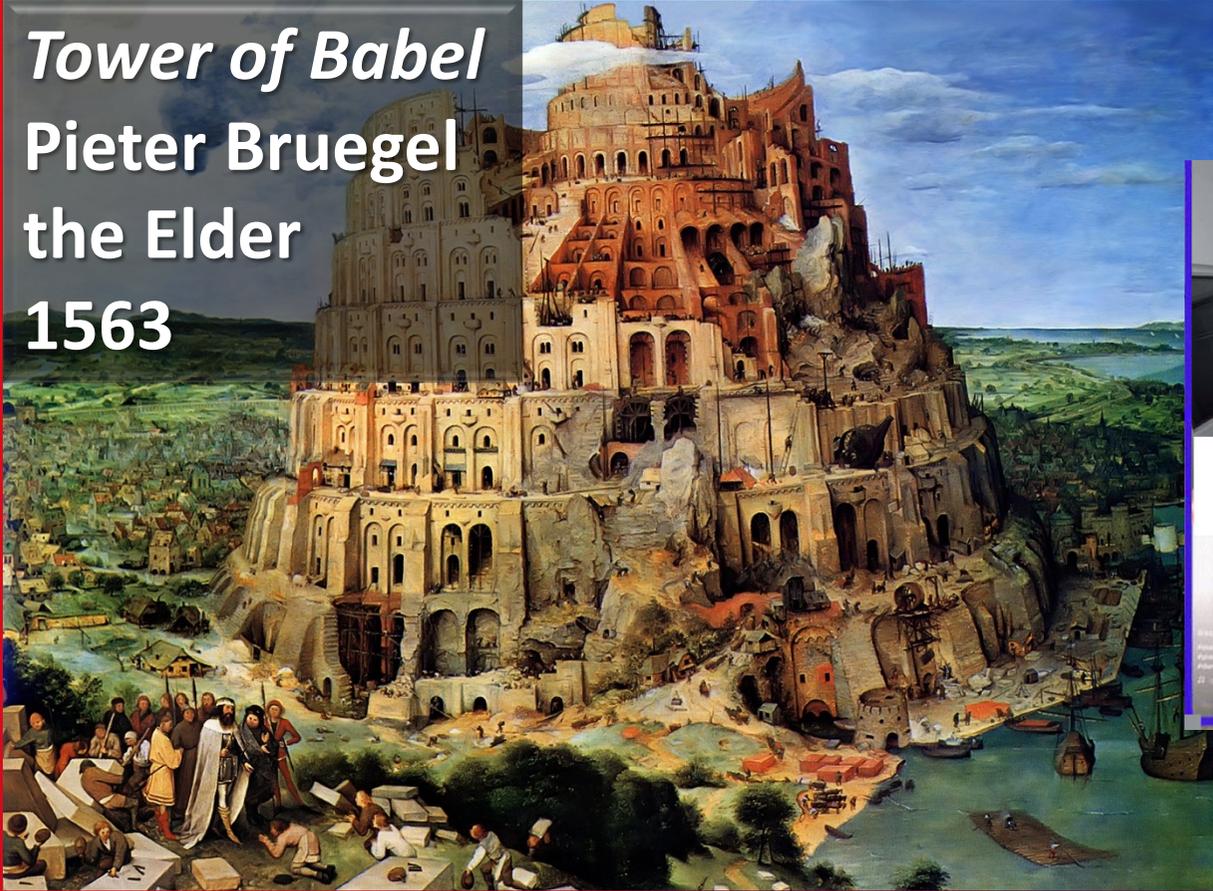


I look for specific weaknesses in my flesh; attacks from Satan; and the warped influence of world systems.

Joshua assesses the situation
The Joshua Roll
10th c.

God competes with the attention we crave.

Tower of Babel
Pieter Bruegel
the Elder
1563





courtesy Tampa Bay Rays

“We don’t want to [put the ‘pride’ patch] on our bodies. We believe in Jesus, who’s encouraged us to live a lifestyle that would abstain from that behavior, just like (Jesus) encourages me as a heterosexual male to abstain from sex outside of the confines of marriage. It’s not judgmental. It’s not looking down. It’s just what we believe, the lifestyle he’s encouraged us to live, for our good...But again, we love these men and women, we care about them, and we want them to feel safe and welcome here.” – Jason Adams



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courtesy NPR

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ANGER

#INSIDEOUT

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The parallel is striking: Israel needed supernatural help to defeat the Amorites and we require supernatural help to defeat the world, the flesh and the Devil.
– David Wade



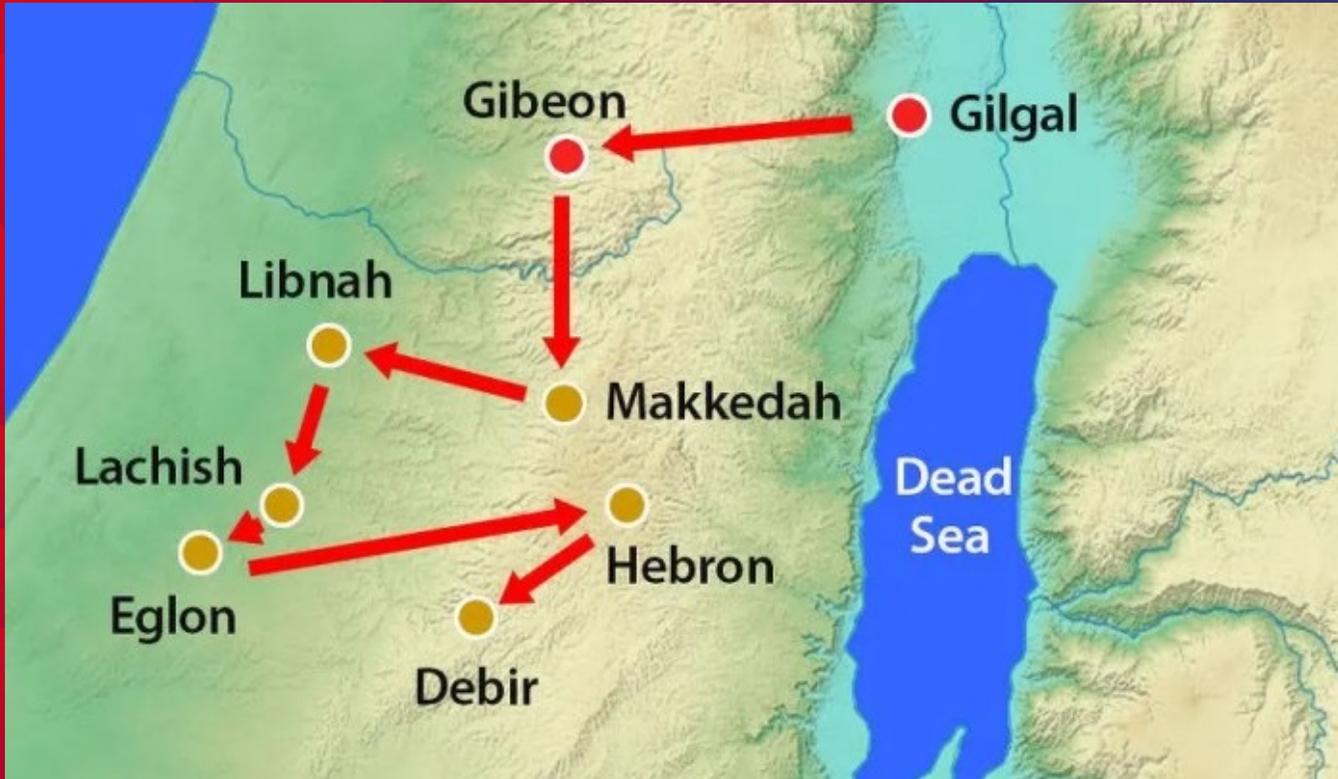
John 15

⁴ Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit by itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in me. ⁵ I am the vine; you are the branches. Whoever abides in me and I in him, he it is that bears much fruit, for apart from me you can do nothing. ^{ESV}

**All-night marches are not
for the faint of heart.**



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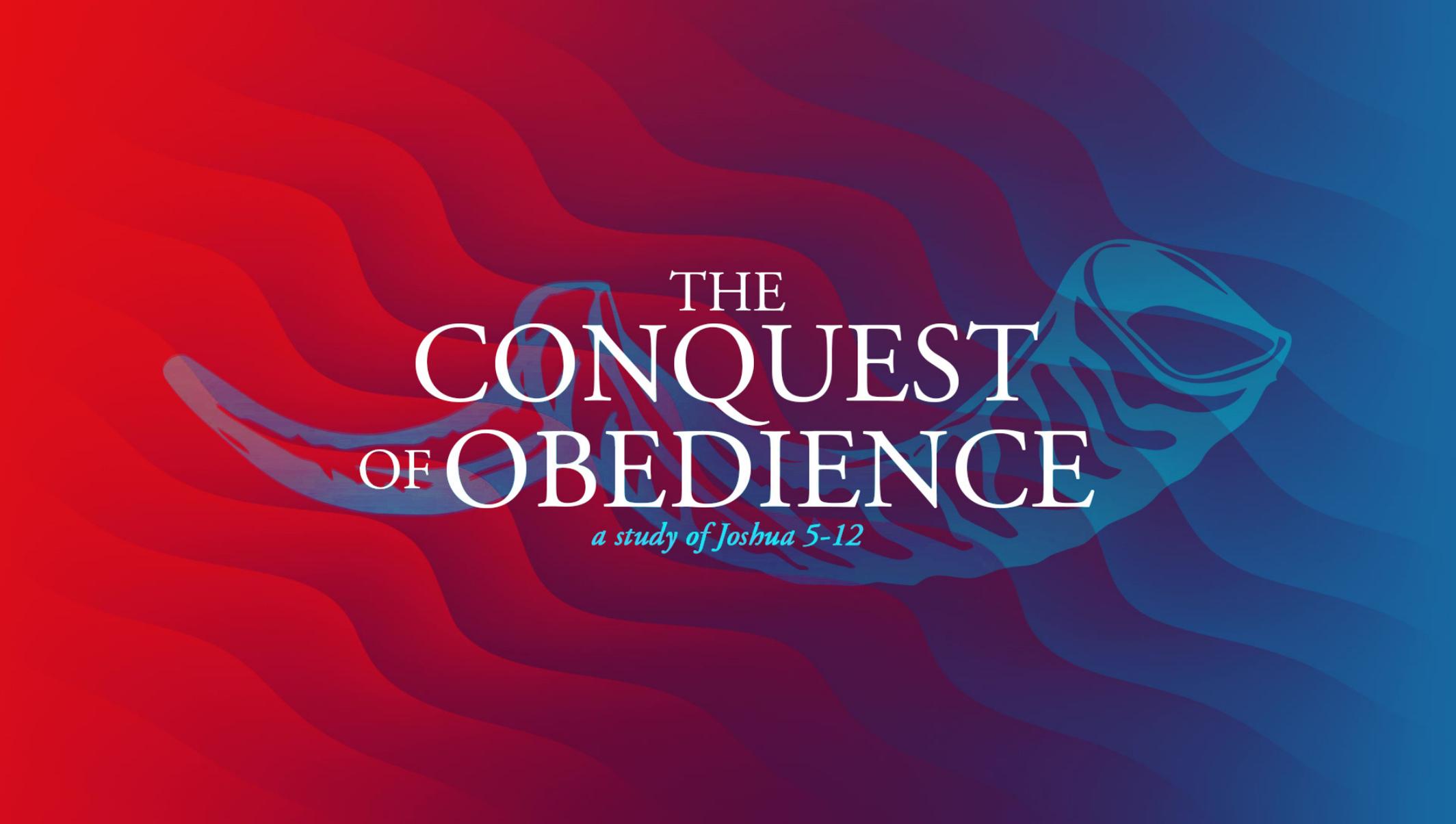
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Work the opportunity.

- **Their time of sin is not complete, and we can share the gospel with them. They might then join saved sinners like us in the family of God. It happens every day.**
- **Like the Amorites, their time of sin is fulfilled. In which case there is nothing we can do but shake off dust, pray for them, and prepare for Jesus' return.**



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