

WHY ARE We losing?

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But the sons of Israel acted unfaithfully in regard to the things under the ban, for Achan, the son of Carmi, the son of Zabdi, the son of Zerah, from the tribe of Judah, took some of the things under the ban, therefore the anger of the LORD burned against the sons of Israel.

² Now Joshua sent men from Jericho to Ai, which is near Beth-aven, east of Bethel, and said to them, "Go up and spy out the land." So the men went up and spied out Ai.

They returned to Joshua and said to him, "Do not let all the people go up; only about two or three thousand men need go up to Ai; do not make all the people toil up there, for they are few."

⁴ So about three thousand men from the people went up there, but they fled from the men of Ai. 5 The men of Ai struck down about thirty-six of their men, and pursued them from the gate as far as Shebarim and struck them down on the descent, so the hearts of the people melted and became as water.

JOSHUA 7:6-7 NASB95

Then Joshua tore his clothes and fell to the earth on his face before the ark of the LORD until the evening, both he and the elders of Israel; and they put dust on their heads.

JOSHUA 7:6-7 NASB95

⁷ Joshua said, "Alas, O Lord GOD, why did You ever bring this people over the Jordan, only to deliver us into the hand of the Amorites, to destroy us? If only we had been willing to dwell beyond the Jordan!

JOSHUA 7:10-11 NASB95

So the LORD said to Joshua, "Rise up! Why is it that you have fallen on your face? "I "Israel has sinned, and they have also transgressed My covenant which I commanded them.

JOSHUA 7:10-11 NASB95

And they have even taken some of the things under the ban and have both stolen and deceived. Moreover, they have also put them among their own things.

So Joshua arose early in the morning and brought Israel near by tribes, and the tribe of Judah was taken. 17 He brought the family of Judah near, and he took the family of the Zerahites; and he brought the family of the Zerahites near man by man, and Zabdi was taken.

¹⁸ He brought his household near man by man; and Achan, son of Carmi, son of Zabdi, son of Zerah, from the tribe of Judah, was taken. ¹⁹ Then Joshua said to Achan, "My son, I implore you, give glory to the LORD,

the God of Israel, and give praise to Him; and tell me now what you have done. Do not hide it from me." ²⁰ So Achan answered Joshua and said, "Truly, I have sinned against the LORD, the God of Israel, and this is what I did:

²¹ when I saw among the spoil a beautiful mantle from Shinar and two hundred shekels of silver and a bar of gold fifty shekels in weight, then I coveted them and took them; and behold, they are concealed in the earth inside my tent with the silver underneath it."

JOSHUA 7:24-26 NASB95

Then Joshua and all Israel with him, took Achan the son of Zerah, the silver, the mantle, the bar of gold, his sons, his daughters, his oxen, his donkeys, his sheep, his tent and all that belonged to him; and they brought them up to the valley of Achor.

JOSHUA 7:24-26 NASB95

²⁵ Joshua said, "Why have you troubled us? The LORD will trouble you this day." And all Israel stoned them with stones; and they burned them with fire after they had stoned them with stones.

JOSHUA 7:24-26 NASB95

They raised over him a great heap of stones that stands to this day, and the LORD turned from the fierceness of His anger. Therefore the name of that place has been called the valley of Achor to this day.

PSALM 25:14 NASB95

The secret of the LORD is for those who fear Him, And He will make them know His covenant.

PSALM 111:10 NASB95

The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom; A good understanding have all those who do His commandments; His praise endures forever.

Proverbs 1:7 NASB95

The fear of the LORD is the beginning of knowledge; Fools despise wisdom and instruction.

Proverbs 3:7 NASB95

Do not be wise in your own eyes; Fear the LORD and turn away from evil.

MATTHEW 7:21-23 NASB95

"Not everyone who says to Me, 'Lord, Lord,' will enter the kingdom of heaven, but he who does the will of My Father who is in heaven will enter.

MATTHEW 7:21-23 NASB95

²² "Many will say to Me on that day, 'Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in Your name, and in Your name cast out demons, and in Your name perform many miracles?' ²³ "And then I will declare to them, 'I never knew you; DEPART FROM ME, YOU WHO PRACTICE LAWLESSNESS.'