



Joshua 10:1-27

God Fights For Israel

- I. **Introduction:** As a result of Israel fulfilling their covenant agreement with Gibeon, God fought for Israel.

- II. God Fights For Israel (**Josh 10:1-27**).
 - A. God Collects Israel's Enemies (**vv. 1-5**).
 1. The Five kings of the South attacked Gibeon when they discovered that they had allied themselves with Israel, but God used their foolishness to destroy them.

 - B. God Crushes Israel's Enemies (**vv. 6-14**).
 1. Israel marched all night to protect the Gibeonites, so God confounded the enemy and performed mighty miracles against the enemy.

 - C. God Cursed Israel's Enemies (**vv. 15-27**).
 1. The Israelites killed the kings of the South and destroyed their armies, proving that Israel's God had fought against His enemies and defeated their gods.

- III. **Conclusion:** God fought for Israel against the five kings of the South, turning the foolish decision of His people into one of their most significant victories.

Study Questions: God Fights For Israel

1. When does God fight for His people? Whose side is God on when it comes to the war? **(Josh 5:13-15)** Who can fight against God? **(Rom 8:31)** Why do we fear people?
2. What did the king of Jerusalem do in reaction to Gibeon's treaty with Israel? **(Josh 10:1-5)** Why was he afraid of Israel? **(v. 2)** How do nations rage against God? **(Psa 2:1-6)**
3. How did the enemies of Jesus rally together to fight against Him? **(Matt 16:1-12)** Why did they fear Jesus? Why does the world come against Jesus' followers? **(John 15:18-22)**
4. How did God fight for Israel? **(Josh 10:6-14)** What did the Lord say to Joshua about the five-king confederacy? **(v. 8)** How did Joshua surprise the enemy? **(vv. 9-10)**
5. What does it say that God did to the enemy? **(Josh 10:10-16)** What did God throw at the enemy? **(v. 11)** How was this similar to what God did to Egypt? **(Ex 9:13-35)**
6. How did God elongate the day so that Joshua could destroy the enemy? **(Josh 10:12-14)** Why was this like no other day in history? **(v. 14)** How did God fight for Israel? **(v. 14)**
7. What did Joshua do with the kings who hid in the cave of Makedah? **(Josh 10:16-27)** Why did Joshua instruct the leaders to put their foot on the necks of the kings? **(vv. 22-25)**
8. Why did they hang the kings? **(Josh 10:26-27)** How was Jesus hung on a tree to redeem His enemies? **(Gal 3:13)** Are you on God's side? When Christ returns, will He fight for or against you?

Prayer

1. Pray that God will grant you boldness in the face of the enemy, knowing He has already won.
2. Ask God to help you keep your word in a world corrupted by sin.