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**God's Word Our Treasure  
Psalm 19**



“I take this to be the greatest poem in the Psalms and one of the greatest lyrics in the world.”

C.S. Lewis



NAME

Law of the LORD – Torah  
“divine teachings”





For no prophecy was ever produced by the will of man, but men spoke from God as they were carried along by the Holy Spirit.

2 Peter 1:21



All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, that the man of God may be competent, equipped for every good work.

2 Timothy 3:16-17



**NAME**

**Testimony of the LORD**





God did this so that, by two unchangeable things in which it is impossible for God to lie.

Hebrews 6:18



Paul, a servant of God and an apostle of Jesus Christ to further the faith of God's elect and their knowledge of the truth that leads to godliness—in the hope of eternal life, which God, who does not lie, promised before the beginning of time.

Titus 1:1-2



**CHARACTERISTIC**

**Perfect**







And the words of the Lord are flawless, like silver purified in a crucible, like gold refined seven times.

...The Lord's word is flawless...

Psalm 12:6; Psalm 18:30b



**CHARACTERISTIC**

**Trustworthy**

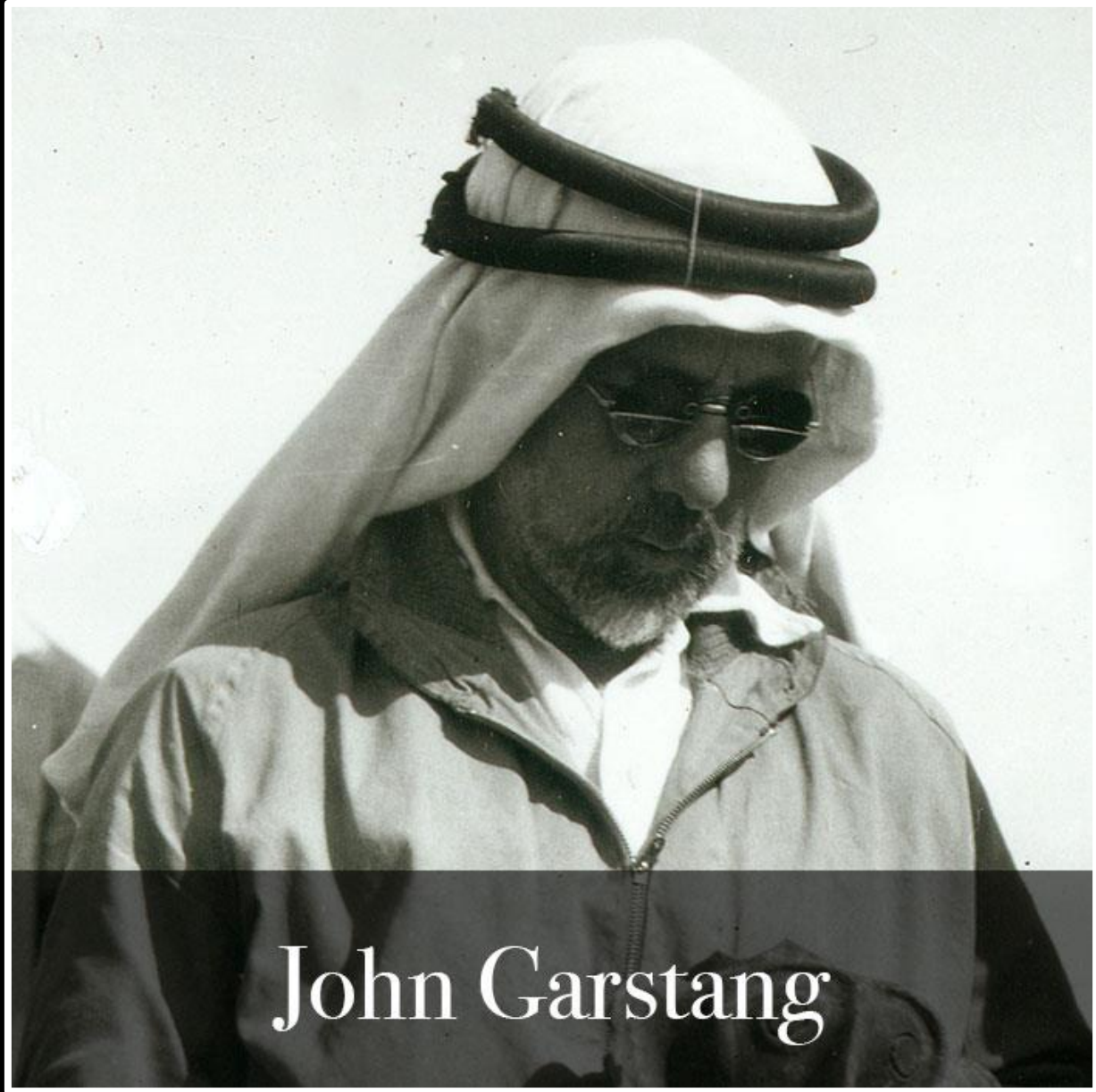




# Jericho







John Garstang



“The graphic description of Jericho in the bible has now been amplified by an examination of the ruins themselves; for remains of a walled city have been found and traced beneath the debris of later times which corresponds in all its material remains with such descriptive details of the city as can be gleaned from the Biblical narrative.”

John Garstang;  
*The Story of Jericho*; p.19



“The destruction of the Fourth City corresponds in all material particulars with the Biblical narrative of the Fall of Jericho before the Israelites under Joshua.”

John Garstang;  
*The Story of Jericho*; p.142







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**KATHLEEN  
KENYON**

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DIGGING UP THE HOLY LAND

MIRIAM  
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“The excavation of Jericho, therefore, has thrown no light on the walls of Jericho of which the destruction is so vividly described in the Book of Joshua.”

Kathleen Kenyon

*Digging Up Jericho*; p. 262



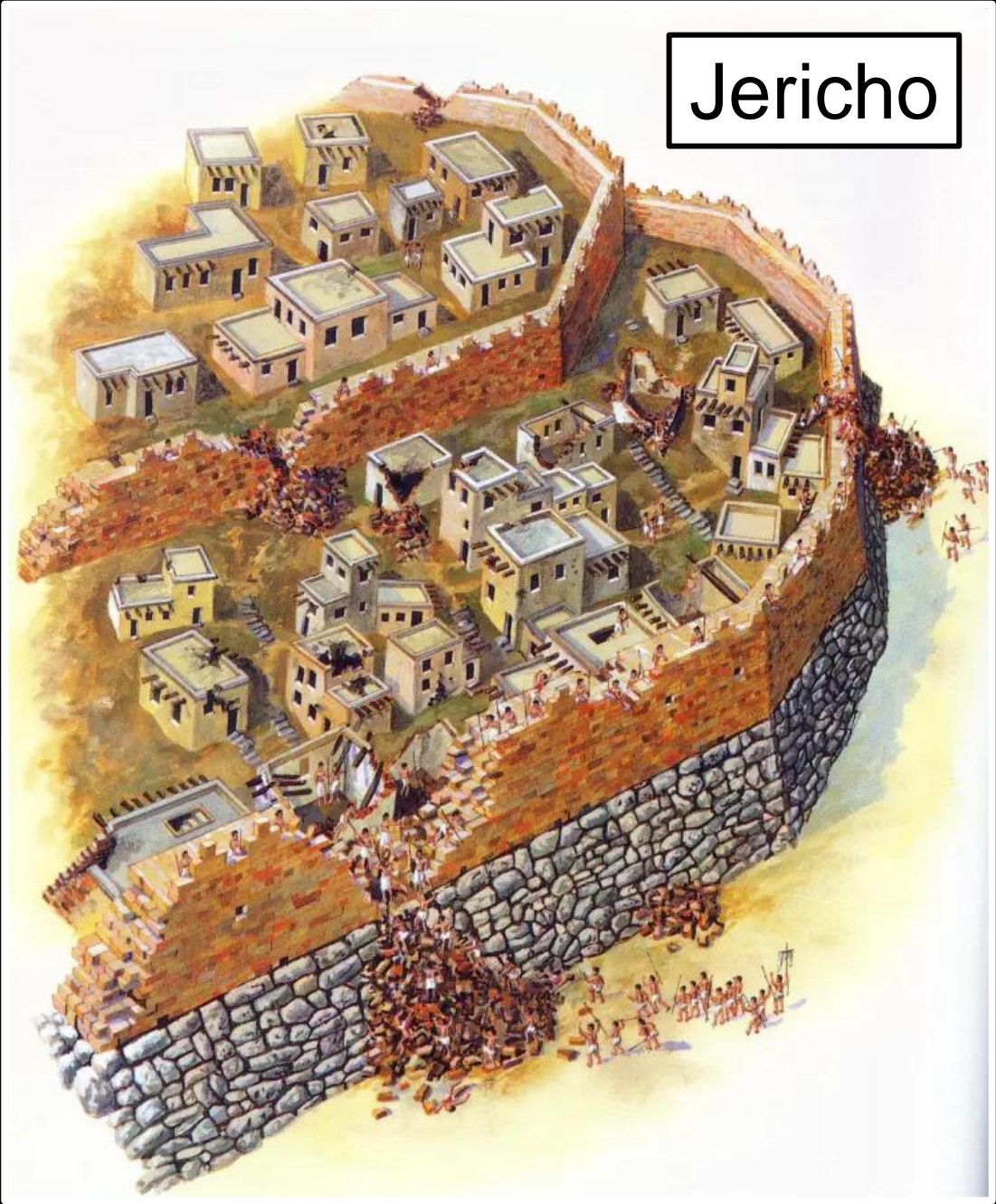
“The town was deserted in the Late Bronze Age (14<sup>th</sup> century BC), and the city wall of Jericho, of Joshua-invasion fame, was not found by the archeologists, thus indicating a contradiction between the biblical narratives and archeological evidence.”

*Jericho – Department of  
Antiquities and Cultural Heritage*





# Jericho





# Shittim



# Geographical Evidence







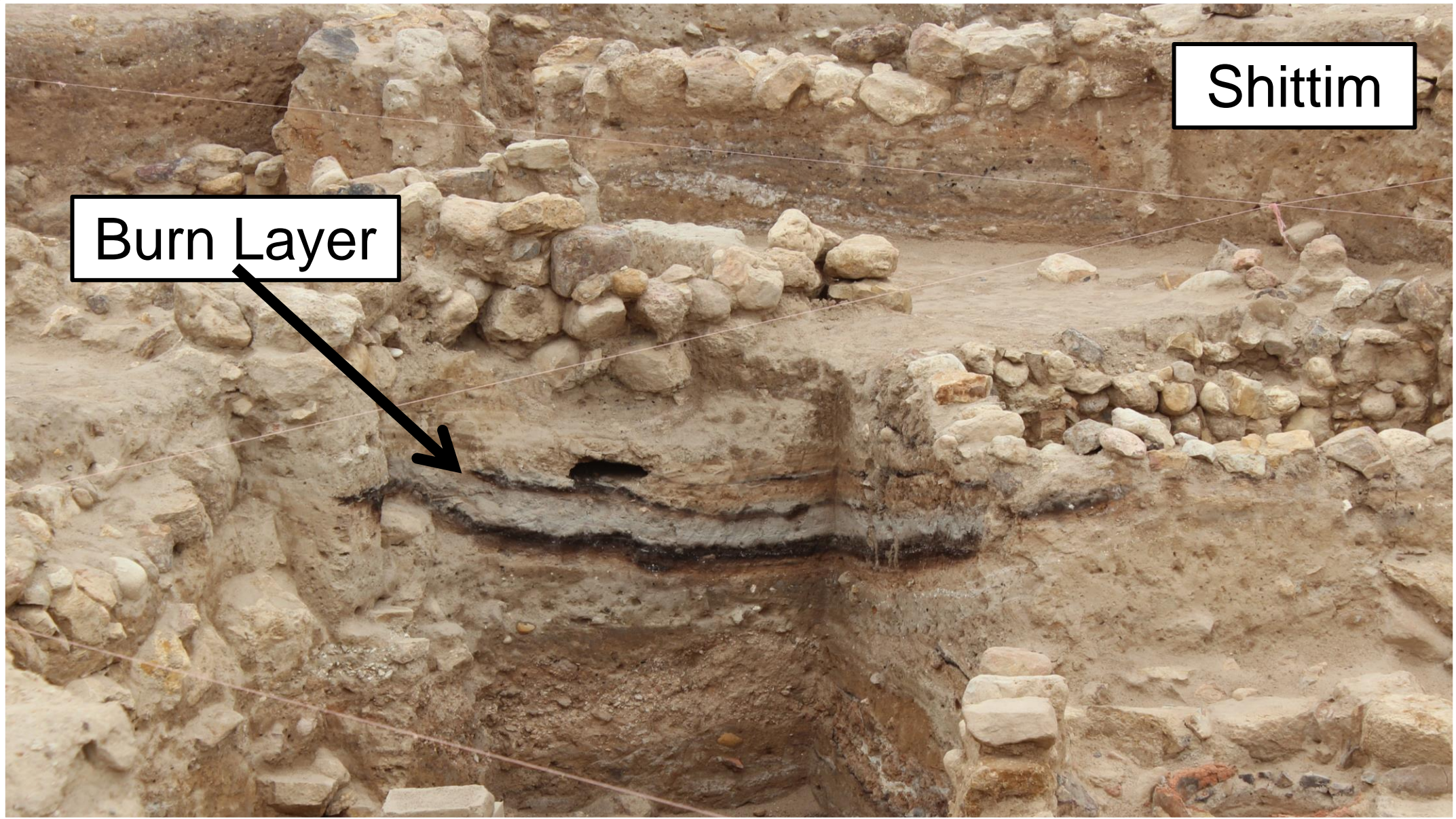
Shittim





Shittim

Burn Layer





**Adam**

**Israel**

**Jordan River**

**Adam** →

**Jordan**







Jericho







8000 B.C

1979









Looking from the ancient city of Jericho, across the plains of Jericho to the Jordan River.

Adam

Shittim



# Geological Evidence





“At that time the LORD said to Joshua, “Make flint knives...”

Joshua 5:2;10-12



Jericho - Flint arrowhead





# Historical Evidence





But the people who live there are powerful,  
and the cities are fortified and very large.

Numbers 13:28





# Tel-Dan





# Shechem



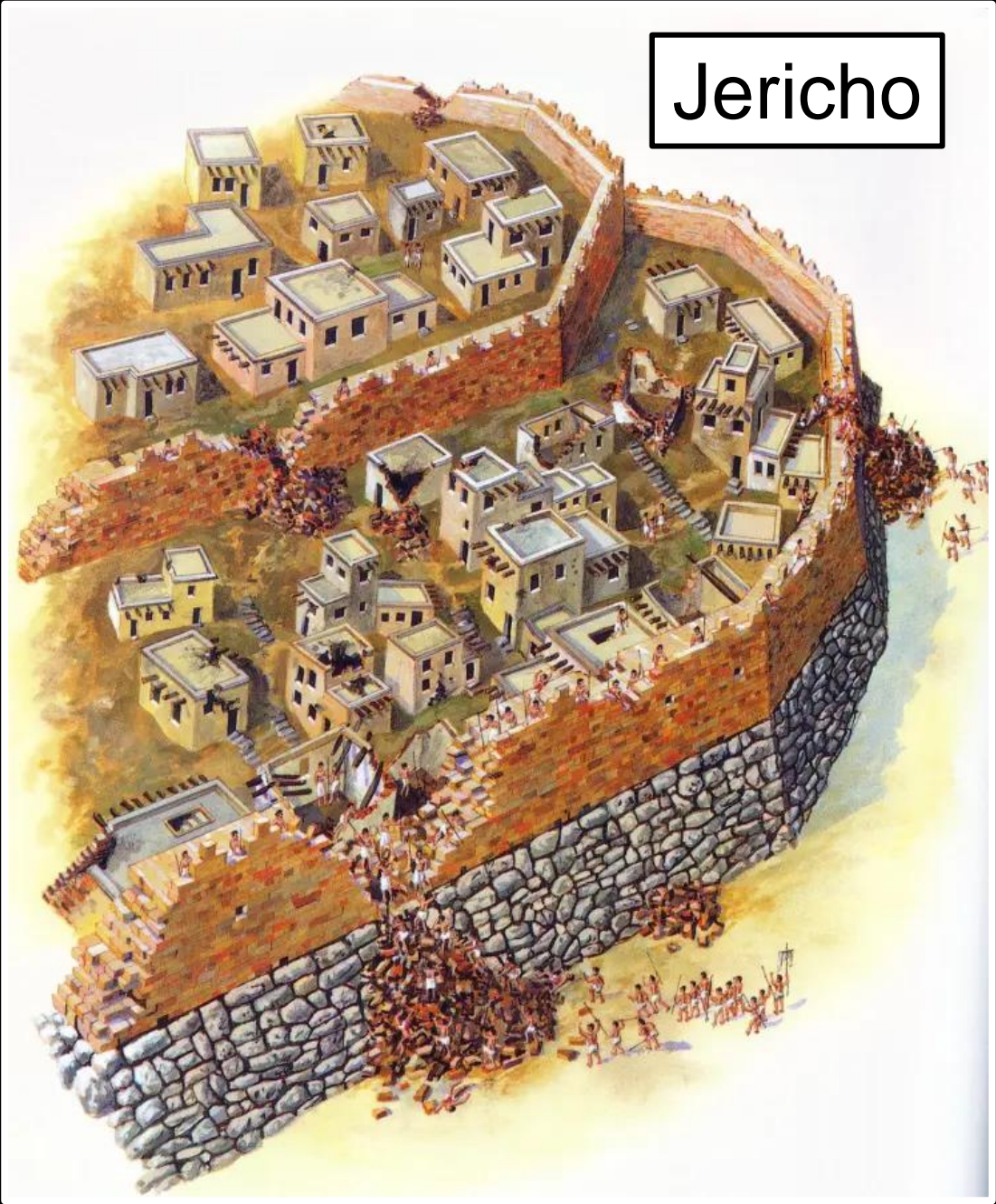


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# Jericho - Red Mudbricks



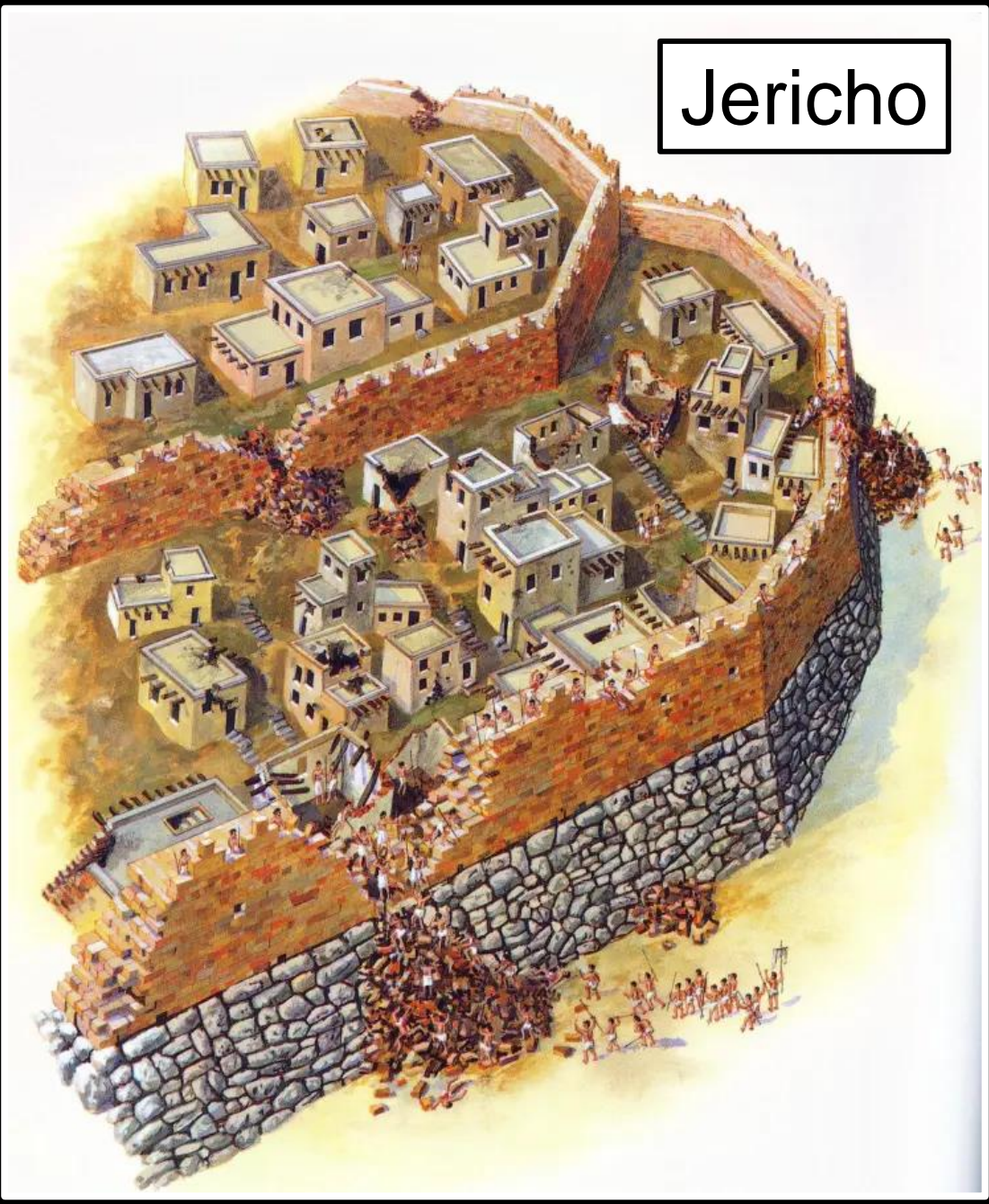


# Jericho - Red mudbrick





# Jericho



# Archeological Evidence



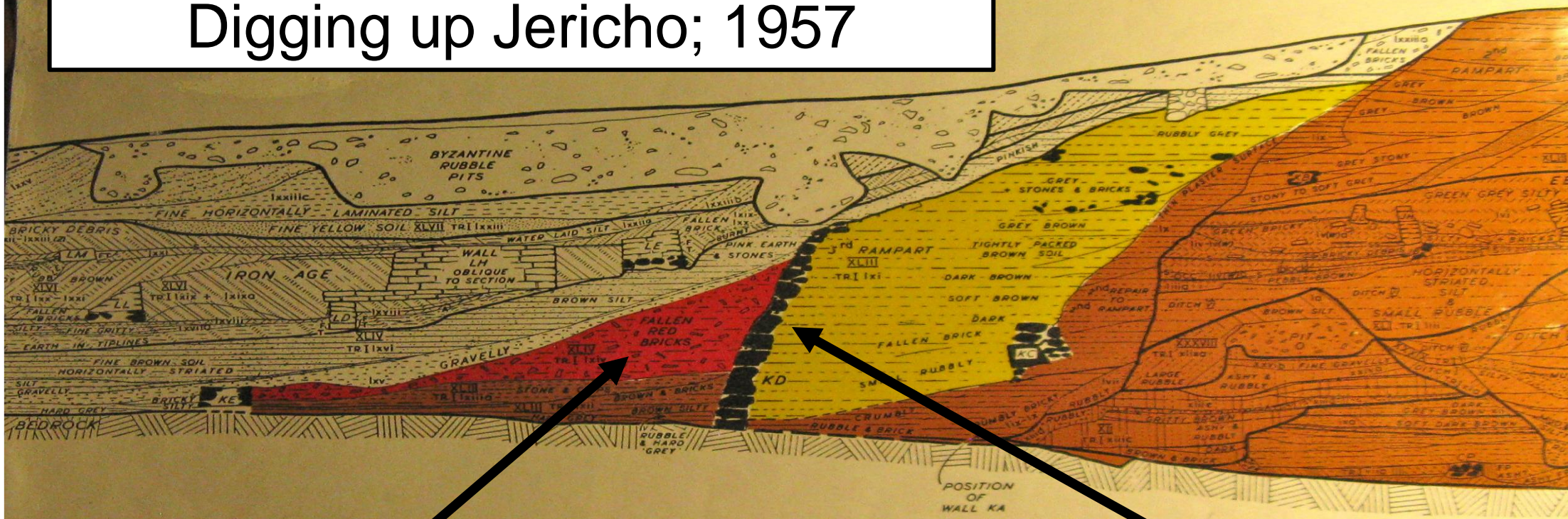


... then the wall of the city will collapse, and the army will go up, everyone straight in.

Joshua 6:5



# Kathleen Kenyon excavation map Digging up Jericho; 1957



“Fallen Red Bricks”

Foundation Wall

PG 5 67%







Then they burned the whole city...

Joshua 6:24





“The royal residence had been burnt...but this was no ordinary burning. The layer of ashes was so thick and the sign of intense heat so vivid...there was ten times more (wood added) than was necessary...in places the pile of burnt matter was as much as five feet high. It looks, in short, as though Jericho was finally burnt after deliberate preparation; precisely in the manner described in the book of Joshua.”

John Garstang;

*The Story of Jericho*; p.142







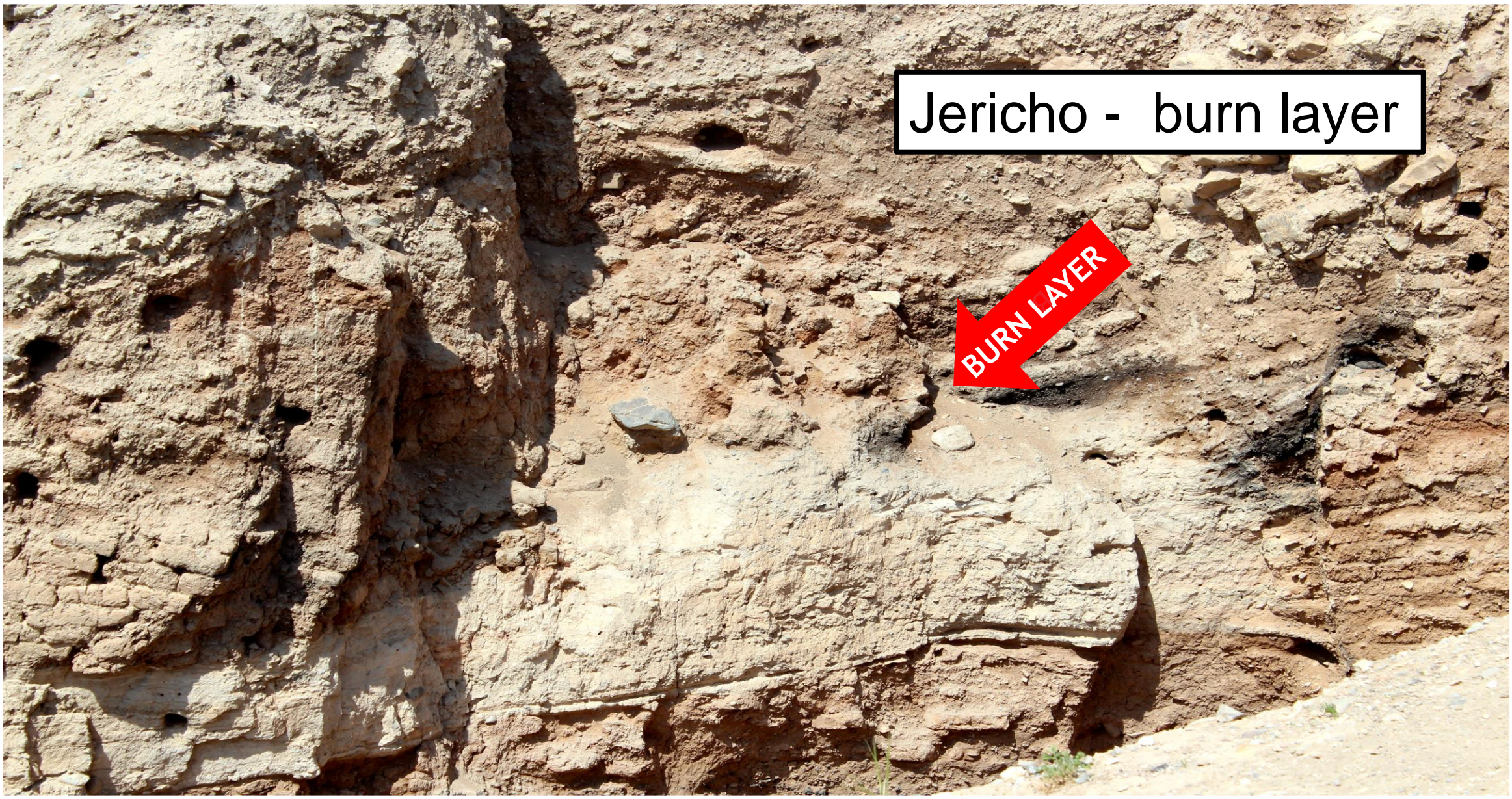
Jericho – destruction layer





Jericho - burn layer

BURN LAYER





# Seasonal Evidence





Now the Jordan is at flood stage all during harvest.  
...the Israelites celebrated the Passover.

Joshua 3:15; Joshua 5:10



# Jericho – storeroom excavation





Jericho – storerooms, with pots full of grain





Jericho – storerooms, with pots full of grain

The grain was Barley







Jericho – the barley was burned



Amazing Fact

ONE text





“OF THE many stirring episodes narrated in the Old Testament, probably none has so impressed itself upon the popular imagination as the description in the Book of Joshua of the fall of Jericho. Indeed, were it not for the narrative, the place would hardly have been remembered.”

John Garstang;

*The Story of Jericho*; p.19; 1940



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