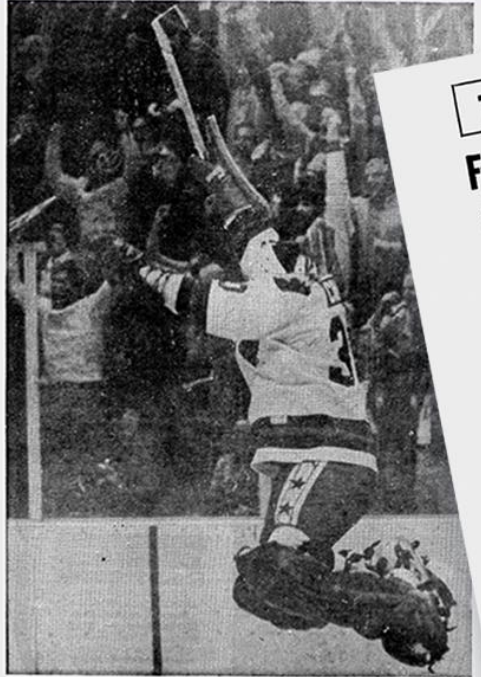


# JOSHUA

*COURAGEOUS FAITH IN THE GOD OF PROMISE*





Jubilant fan runs across ice with U.S. flag as American and Russian hockey teams engage in ceremonial handshake following America's stunning victory in semifinals. More hockey pictures in centerfold.

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LARGEST CIRCULATION OF ANY PAPER IN AMERICA

# U.S. SHOCKS RUSSIANS 4-3

By LAWREN NIFFLON

Lake Placid — Not since Jesse Owens ran for gold in Hitler's Germany in 1936 has an athletic triumph stirred such an outpouring of patriotic pride among Americans as the young U.S. Olympic hockey team's stunning 4-3 triumph over the Soviet Union did yesterday.

By pulling out a game virtually nobody but themselves thought they could win, the plucky U.S. amateurs wonched off a near-rout of celebration in this tiny village as fans who had overflowed the 4,000-seat Olympic Fieldhouse flooded into the streets after the game, chanting "U.S.A. U.S.A." and waving each other, waving flags and even singing the National Anthem. They joined thousands more across the street on Mirror Lake where the daily Olympic medal ceremony is held, and the celebration spread across the lake like a forest fire while the ceremony's fireworks boomed and cascaded across the sky.

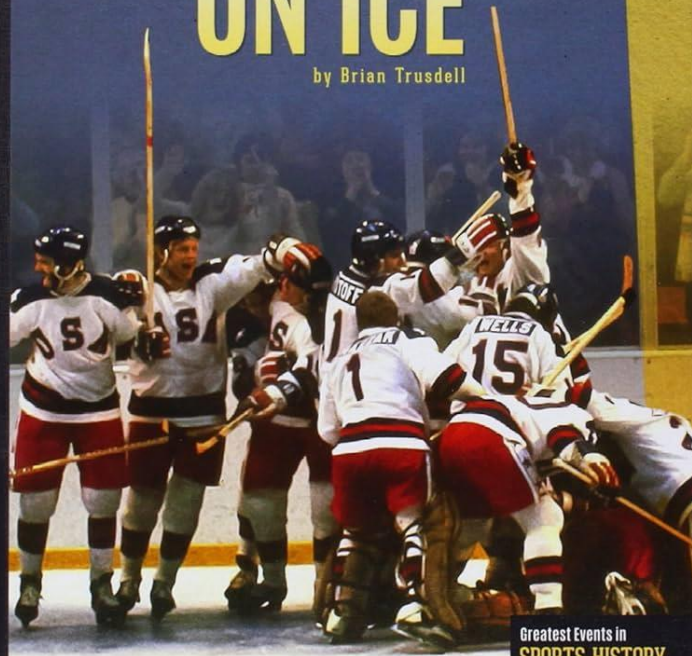
The players had incentive enough in wanting to beat a team that hadn't lost an Olympic hockey game since 1968 in Grenoble, a team that succeeded by all hockey experts to be the best in the world, a team that beat the U.S. team 10-3 at the Games two weeks ago.

FOR THE PUBLIC, the political atmosphere made still all start 60 a year ago and surrounded this same U.S. team 10-3 at the Games two weeks ago. FOR THE PUBLIC, the political atmosphere made even more intense, with Soviet troops around camped in Afghanistan and the nation rallying around President Carter's decision to boycott the Summer Olympics in Moscow. U.S. coach Herb Brooks said Carter phoned him after the game and said, "You make the American people very proud. Your team reflects the ideals of our country." "If those ideals can be expressed in the media, your team certainly has done it."



# THE MIRACLE ON ICE

by Brian Trussell



Greatest Events in SPORTS HISTORY

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**Joshua 7 & 8**: How are we called to respond or act in  
“Defeat, Confession, and Victory”?



# Joshua 7 & 8: How are we called to respond or act in “Defeat, Confession, and Victory”?

## 1. How are we called to act in defeat?

Joshua 6:27 “So the Lord was with Joshua, and his fame was in all the land.”

Joshua 7:1 “But the people of Israel broke faith in regard to the devoted things, for Achan the son of Carmi, son of Zabdi, son of Zerah, of the tribe of Judah, took some of the devoted things. And the anger of the Lord burned against the people of Israel.

## Joshua 6: 18&19

“But you, keep yourselves from the things devoted to destruction, lest when you have devoted them you take any of the devoted things and make the camp of Israel a thing for destruction and bring trouble upon it. 19 But all silver and gold, and every vessel of bronze and iron, are holy to the Lord; they shall go into the treasury of the Lord.”

1. Why is this a big deal?
2. Why does one man's sin affect a whole nation?  
(1 Corinthians 5:6)



## Joshua 7: 6-9

Then Joshua tore his clothes and fell to the earth on his face before the ark of the Lord until the evening, he and the elders of Israel. And they put dust on their heads. 7 And Joshua said, "Alas, O Lord God, why have you brought this people over the Jordan at all, to give us into the hands of the Amorites, to destroy us? Would that we had been content to dwell beyond the Jordan! 8 O Lord, what can I say, when Israel has turned their backs before their enemies! 9 For the Canaanites and all the inhabitants of the land will hear of it and will surround us and cut off our name from the earth. And what will you do for your great name?"

“It is not wrong for us to pray for God to do things for His glory, but we must surrender to His will.” –  
Matthew Henry

1. How are we called to act in defeat?  
→ We are to pray boldly!

## 2. How are we called to act in confession?

Joshua 7: 10-15 Finding the guilty party.



## Joshua 7: 21

“when I saw among the spoil a beautiful cloak from Shinar, and 200 shekels of silver, and a bar of gold weighing 50 shekels, then I coveted them and took them. And see, they are hidden in the earth inside my tent, with the silver underneath.”



Joshua 7: 24&25 → The punishment.

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“We really cannot understand God’s wrath because sin does not bother us much.” –Dale Ralph Davis

## Matthew 18: 15-17

“If your brother sins against you, go and tell him his fault, between you and him alone. If he listens to you, you have gained your brother. 16 But if he does not listen, take one or two others along with you, that every charge may be established by the evidence of two or three witnesses. 17 If he refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church. And if he refuses to listen even to the church, let him be to you as a Gentile and a tax collector.”



2. How are we called to act in confession?  
→ With Contrite Hearts.

3. How are we called to act in victory?

Joshua 8: 3-29 → The victory.



## Deuteronomy 21: 22-23

“cursed in anyone hanged on a tree”

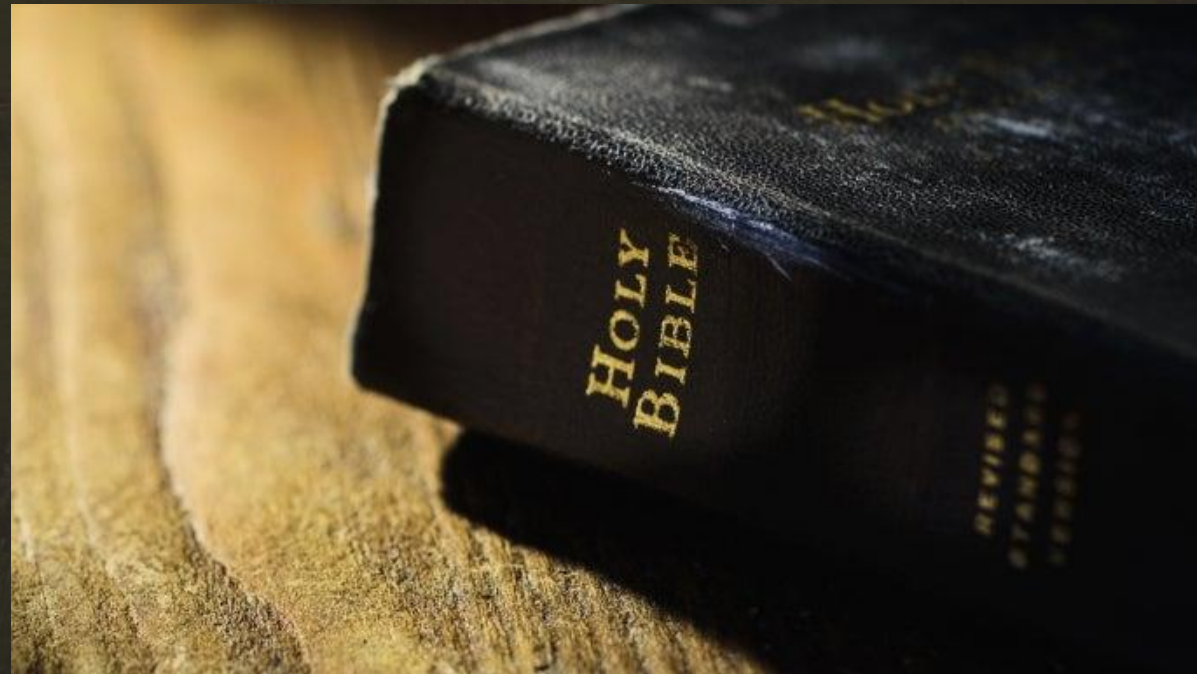
## Galatians 3:13

“Christ redeemed us...  
by becoming a curse for us”



# The Importance of God's Word

Exodus 19:5 and 1 Timothy 4:13





3. How are we called to respond in victory?  
→ With Worship!

## Hosea 2: 14-15

“Therefore, behold, I will allure her,  
and bring her into the wilderness,  
and speak tenderly to her.

15 And there I will give her her vineyards  
and make the Valley of Achor a door of hope.

And there she shall answer as in the days of her youth,  
as at the time when she came out of the land of Egypt.