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20 And of Gad he said, Blessed be he that enlarged Gad: he dwells as a lion, and tears the arm with the crown of the head.

21 And he provided the first part for himself, because there, *in* a portion of the lawgiver, *was he* seated; and he came with the heads of the people, he executed the justice of the LORD, and His judgments with Is'ra-el.

22 And of Dan he said, Dan *is* a lion's whelp: he shall leap from Ba'shan.

23 And of Naph'ta-li he said, O Naph'ta-li, satisfied with favor, and full with the blessing of the LORD: possess you the west and the south.

24 And of Ash'er he said, *Let* Ash'er be blessed with children; let him be acceptable to his brethren, and let him dip his foot in oil.

25 Your shoes *shall be* iron and brass; and as your days, *so shall* your strength be.

26 *There is* none like to the God of Jeshu-run, *Who* rides upon the heaven in Your help, and in His excellency on the sky.

27 The eternal God is your refuge, and underneath *are* the everlasting arms: and He shall thrust out the enemy from before you; and shall say, *Destroy them.*

28 Is'ra-el then shall dwell in safety alone: the fountain of Ja'cob *shall be* upon a land of corn and wine; also His heavens shall drop down dew.

29 Happy *are* you, O Is'ra-el: who *is* like to you, O people saved by the LORD, the shield of your help, and who *is* the sword of your excellency! and your enemies shall be found liars to you; and you shall tread upon their high places.

## CHAPTER 34

And Mo'ses went up from the plains of Mo'ab to the mountain of Ne'bo, to the top of Pis'gah, that *is* opposite Jer'i-cho. And the LORD showed him all the land of Gil'e-ad, to Dan,

2 And all Naph'ta-li, and the land of E'phra-im, and Ma-nas'seh, and all the land of Ju'dah, to the utmost sea

3 And the south and the plain of the valley of Jer'i-cho, the city of palm trees, to Zo'ar.

4 And the LORD said to him, *This is* the land which I swore to A'bra-ham, to I'saac, and to Ja'cob, saying, I will give it to your seed I have caused you to see *it* with your eyes, but you shall not go over there.

5 So Mo'ses the servant of the LORD

died there in the land of Mo'ab, according to the word of the LORD.

6 And He buried him in a valley in the land of Mo'ab, opposite Beth-pe'or: but no man knows of his sepulcher to this day.

7 And Mo'ses *was* a hundred and twenty years old when he died: his eye was not dim, nor his natural force abated.

8 And the children of Is'ra-el wept for Mo'ses in the plains of Mo'ab thirty days: so the days of weeping and mourning for Mo'ses were ended.

9 And Josh'u-a the son of Nun was full of the spirit of wisdom; for Mo'ses had laid his hands upon him: and the children of Is'ra-el hearkened to him, and did as the LORD commanded Mo'ses.

10 And there arose not a prophet since in Is'ra-el like to Mo'ses, whom the LORD knew face to face,

11 In all the signs and the wonders, which the LORD sent him to do in the land of E'gypt to Pha'raoh, and to all His servants, and to all His land,

12 And in all that mighty hand, and in all the great terror which Mo'ses showed in the sight of all Is'ra-el.

## THE BOOK OF

## JOSHUA

## CHAPTER 1

**N**OW after the death of Mo'ses the servant of the LORD it came to pass, that the LORD spoke to Josh'u-a the son of Nun, Mo'ses' minister, saying,

2 *Mo'ses My servant is dead; now therefore arise, go over this* Jor'dan, you, and all this people, to the land which I do give to them, *even* to the children of Is'ra-el.

3 *Every place that the sole of your foot shall tread upon, that have I given to you,* as I said to Mo'ses.

4 *From the wilderness and this* Leb'-a-non *even to the great river, the river Eu-phra'tes, all the land of the Hit'tites, and to the great sea toward the going down of the sun, shall be your coast.*

5 *There shall not any man be able to stand before you all the days of your life: as I was with Mo'ses, so I will be with you: I will not fail you, nor forsake you.*

6 *Be strong and of a good courage: for to this people shall you divide for*

an inheritance the land, which I swore to their fathers to give them.

7 Only be you strong and very courageous, that you may observe to do according to all the law, which Mo'ses My servant commanded you: turn not from it to the right hand or to the left, that you may prosper wherever you go.

8 This book of the law shall not depart out of your mouth but you shall meditate therein day and night, that you may observe to do according to all that is written therein: for then you shall make your way prosperous, and then you shall have good success.

9 Have not I commanded you? <sup>be removed from</sup> Be strong and of a good courage; be not afraid, neither be you dismayed: for the LORD your God is with you wherever you go.

10 Then Josh'u-a commanded the officers of the people, saying,

11 Pass through the host, and command the people, saying, Prepare your victuals for within three days you shall pass over this Jor'dan, to go in to possess the land, which the LORD your God gives you to possess it.

12 And to the Reu'ben-ites, and to the Gad'ites, and to half the tribe of Manas'seh, spoke Josh'u-a, saying,

13 Remember the word which Mo'ses the servant of the LORD commanded you, saying, The LORD your God has given you rest, and has given you this land.

14 Your wives, your little ones, and your cattle, shall remain in the land which Mo'ses gave you on this side Jor'dan; but you shall pass before your brethren armed, all the mighty men of valor, and help them;

15 Until the LORD have given your brethren rest as He has given you, and they also have possessed the land which the LORD your God gives them: then you shall return to the land of your possession, and enjoy it, which Mo'ses the LORD's servant gave you on this side Jor'dan toward the sunrise.

16 And they answered Josh'u-a, saying, All that you command us we will do, and wherever you send us, we will go.

17 According as we hearkened to Mo'ses in all things, so will we hearken to you: only the LORD your God be with you, as He was with Mo'ses.

18 Whosoever he be that does rebel against your commandment, and will not hearken to your words in all that you

command him, he shall be put to death: only be strong and of a good courage.

## CHAPTER 2

AND Josh'u-a the son of Nun sent out of Shit'tim two men to spy secretly, saying, Go view the land, even Jer'i-cho. And they went, and came into a harlot's house, named Ra'hab, and lodged there.

2 And it was told the king of Jer'i-cho, saying, Behold, there came men in here to night of the children of Is'ra-el to search out the country.

3 And the king of Jer'i-cho sent to Ra'hab, saying, Bring forth the men that are come to you, which are entered into your house; for they be come to search out all the country.

4 And the woman took the two men, and hid them, and said thus, There came men to me, but I knew not where they were:

5 And it came to pass about the time of shutting of the gate, when it was dark, that the men went out: where the men went I know not: pursue after them quickly; for you shall overtake them.

6 But she had brought them up to the roof of the house, and hid them with the stalks of flax, which she had laid in order upon the roof.

7 And the men pursued after them the way to Jor'dan to the fords: and as soon as they which pursued after them were gone out, they shut the gate.

8 And before they were laid down, she came up to them upon the roof;

9 And she said to the men, I know that the LORD has given you the land, and that your terror is fallen upon us, and that all the inhabitants of the land faint because of you.

10 For we have heard how the LORD dried up the water of the Red Sea for you, when you came out of E'gypt; and what you did to the two kings of the Am'or-ites, that were on the other side Jor'dan, Si'hon and Og, whom you utterly destroyed.

11 And as soon as we had heard these things, our hearts did melt, neither did there remain any more courage in any man, because of you: for the LORD your God He is God in heaven above, and in earth beneath.

12 Now therefore, I pray you, swear to me by the LORD, since I have showed you kindness, that you will also show kindness to my father's house, and give me a true token:

13 And that you will save alive my fa-

ther, and my mother, and my brethren, and my sisters, and all that they have, and deliver our lives from death.

14 And the men answered her, Our life for yours<sup>s</sup>, if you<sup>r</sup> utter not this our business. And it shall be, when the LORD has given us the land, that we will deal kindly and truly with you.

15 Then she let them down by a cord through the window: for her house was upon the town wall, and she dwelled upon the wall.

JAMES 2:25 i.e. built into

16 And she said to them, Get you<sup>t</sup> to the mountain, lest the pursuers meet you<sup>t</sup>; and hide yourselves<sup>t</sup> there three days, until the pursuers be returned: and afterward may you<sup>t</sup> go your<sup>r</sup> way.

17 And the men said to her, We will be blameless of this your<sup>r</sup> oath which you<sup>r</sup> have made us swear.

free - promise

18 Behold, when we come into the land, you shall bind this line of scarlet thread in the window which you did let us down by: and you shall bring your father, and your mother, and your brethren, and all your father's household, home to you.

19 And it shall be, that whosoever shall go out of the doors of your house into the street, his blood shall be upon his head, and we will be guiltless and whosoever shall be with you in the house, his blood shall be on our head if any hand be upon him.

MATT. 27:25 free - i.e. our responsibility

20 And if you utter this our business, then we will be quit of your oath which you have made us to swear. HEB. 11:31 - free

21 And she said, According to your words, so be it. And she sent them away, and they departed: and she bound the scarlet line in the window.

22 And they went, and came to the mountain, and abode there three days, until the pursuers were returned: and the pursuers sought them throughout all the way, but found them not.

23 So the two men returned, and descended from the mountain, and passed over, and came to Josh'u-a the son of Nun, and told him all things that befell them:

24 And they said to Josh'u-a, Truly the LORD has delivered into our hands all the land; for even all the inhabitants of the country do faint because of us.

Jehovah<sup>st</sup>

### CHAPTER 3

**A**ND Josh'u-a rose early in the morning; and they removed from Shit'tim, and came to Jor'dan, he and

all the children of Is'ra-el, and lodged there before they passed over.

2 And it came to pass after three days, that the officers went through the host;

3 And they commanded the people, saying, When you<sup>r</sup> see the ark of the covenant of the LORD your<sup>r</sup> God and the priests the Le vites bearing it, then you<sup>r</sup> shall remove from your place, and go after it. agreement - Jehovah<sup>st</sup> - Elohim<sup>st</sup> - carrying

4 Yet there shall be a space between you<sup>r</sup> and it, about two thousand cubits by measure: come not near to it, that you<sup>r</sup> may know the way by which you<sup>r</sup> must go: for you<sup>r</sup> have not passed this way heretofore.

5 And Josh'u-a said to the people, Sanctify yourselves: for tomorrow the LORD will do wonders among you<sup>r</sup>.

Jehovah<sup>st</sup>

6 And Josh'u-a spoke to the priests, saying, Take up the ark of the covenant and pass over before the people. And they took up the ark of the covenant and went before the people.

7 And the LORD said to Josh'u-a, **This day will I begin to magnify you in the sight of all Is'ra-el, that they may know that, as I was with Mo'ses, so I will be with you.**

8 And you<sup>r</sup> shall command the priests that bear the ark of the covenant saying, When you<sup>r</sup> are come to the brink of the water of Jor'dan, you<sup>r</sup> shall stand still in Jor'dan.

agreement

9 And Josh'u-a said to the children of Is'ra-el, Come here, and hear the words of the LORD your<sup>r</sup> God.

Jehovah<sup>st</sup> - Elohim

10 And Josh'u-a said, Hereby you<sup>r</sup> shall know that the living God is among you<sup>r</sup>, and that He will without fail drive out from before you<sup>r</sup> the Ca'naan-ites, and the Hit'tites, and the Hi'yites, and the Per'iz-zites, and the Gir'ga-shites, and the Am'or-ites, and the Jeb'u-sites.

understand - El<sup>st</sup>

11 Behold, the ark of the covenant of the Lord of all the earth passes over before you<sup>r</sup> into Jor'dan. agreement - Adon<sup>st</sup>

12 Now therefore take you<sup>r</sup> twelve men out of the tribes of Is'ra-el, out of every tribe a man.

13 And it shall come to pass, as soon as the soles of the feet of the priests that bear the ark of the LORD, the Lord of all the earth, shall rest in the waters of Jor'dan, that the waters of Jor'dan shall be cut off from the waters that come down from above; and they shall stand upon a heap.

Jehovah<sup>st</sup> - Adon<sup>st</sup>

14 And it came to pass, when the people removed from their tents, to pass over Jor'dan, and the priests bearing

the ark of the covenant before the people;

15 And as they that bore the ark were come to Jor'dan, and the feet of the priests that bore the ark were dipped in the brim of the water, (for Jor'dan overflows all its banks all the time of harvest,) 16 That the waters which came down from above stood *and* rose up upon a heap very far from the city Ad'am, that *is* beside Zar'e-tan: and those that came down toward the sea of the plain, *even* the Salt sea, failed, *and* were cut off: and the people passed over right against Jer'i-cho.

17 And the priests that bore the ark of the covenant of the LORD stood firm on dry ground in the midst of Jor'dan, and all the Is'ra-el-ites passed over on dry ground, until all the people were passed clean over Jor'dan.

## CHAPTER 4

**A**ND it came to pass, when all the people were clean passed over Jor'dan, that the LORD spoke to Josh'u-a, saying,

2 Take you<sup>r</sup> twelve men out of the people, out of every tribe a man,

3 And command you<sup>r</sup> them, saying, Take you<sup>r</sup> here out of the midst of Jor'dan, out of the place where the priests' feet stood firm, twelve stones, and you<sup>r</sup> shall carry them over with you<sup>r</sup>, and leave them in the lodging place, where you<sup>r</sup> shall lodge this night.

4 Then Josh'u-a called the twelve men, whom he had prepared of the children of Is'ra-el, out of every tribe a man:

5 And Josh'u-a said to them, Pass over

before the ark of the LORD your<sup>r</sup> God into the midst of Jor'dan, and take you<sup>r</sup> up every man of you<sup>r</sup> a stone upon his shoulder, according to the number of the tribes of the children of Is'ra-el:

6 That this may be a sign among you<sup>r</sup>, that when you<sup>r</sup> children ask their fathers in time to come, saying, What mean you<sup>r</sup> by these stones?

7 Then you<sup>r</sup> shall answer them, That the waters of Jor'dan were cut off before the ark of the covenant of the LORD; when it passed over Jor'dan, the waters of Jor'dan were cut off: and these stones shall be for a memorial to the children of Is'ra-el for ever.

8 And the children of Is'ra-el did so as Josh'u-a commanded, and took up

twelve stones out of the midst of Jor'dan, as the LORD spoke to Josh'u-a, according to the number of the tribes of the children of Is'ra-el, and carried them over with them to the place where they lodged, and laid them down there.

9 And Josh'u-a set up twelve stones in the midst of Jor'dan, in the place where the feet of the priests which bore the ark of the covenant stood: and they are there to this day.

10 For the priests which bore the ark stood in the midst of Jor'dan, until everything was finished that the LORD commanded Josh'u-a to speak to the people, according to all that Mo'ses commanded Josh'u-a: and the people hastened and passed over.

11 And it came to pass, when all the people were clean passed over, that the ark of the LORD passed over, and the priests, in the presence of the people.

12 And the children of Reu'ben, and the children of Gad, and half the tribe of Ma-nas seh, passed over armed before the children of Is'ra-el, as Mo'ses spoke to them:

13 About forty thousand prepared for war passed over before the LORD to battle, to the plains of Jer'i-cho.

14 On that day the LORD magnified Josh'u-a in the sight of all Is'ra-el; and they feared him, as they feared Mo'ses, all the days of his life.

15 And the LORD spoke to Josh'u-a, saying,

16 Command the priests that bear the ark of the testimony, that they come up out of Jor'dan.

17 Josh'u-a therefore commanded the priests, saying, Come you<sup>r</sup> up out of Jor'dan.

18 And it came to pass, when the priests that bore the ark of the covenant of the LORD were come up out of the midst of Jor'dan, and the soles of the priests' feet were lifted up to the dry land, that the waters of Jor'dan returned to their place, and flowed over all its banks, as they did before.

19 And the people came up out of Jor'dan on the tenth day of the first month, and encamped in Gil'gal, in the east border of Jer'i-cho.

20 And those twelve stones, which they took out of Jor'dan, did Josh'u-a pitch in Gil'gal.

21 And he spoke to the children of Is'ra-el, saying, When you<sup>r</sup> children shall ask their fathers in time to come, saying, What mean these stones?

22 Then you<sup>r</sup> shall let you<sup>r</sup> children know, saying, Is'ra-el came over this Jor'dan on dry land.

23 For the **LORD** your **God** dried up the waters of Jor dan from before you, until you were passed over, as the **LORD** your **God** did to the Red sea, which He dried up from before us, until we were gone over: <sup>Jehovah<sup>st</sup> - Elohim<sup>mf</sup></sup>

24 That all the people of the earth might know the hand of the **LORD**, that it is mighty: that you might fear the **LORD** your **God** for ever. i.e. reverence

## CHAPTER 5

**A**ND it came to pass, when all the kings of the Am'or-ites, which were on the side of Jor dan westward, and all the kings of the Ca naan-ites, which were by the sea, heard that the **LORD** had dried up the waters of Jor dan from before the children of Is ra-el, until we were passed over, that their heart melted, neither was there spirit in them any more, because of the children of Is ra-el.

2 At that time the **LORD** said to Josh u-a, **Make you sharp knives, and circumcise again the children of Is ra-el the second time.** <sup>Jehovah<sup>st</sup> - i.e. they lost their courage</sup>

3 And Josh u-a made him sharp knives, and circumcised the children of Is ra-el at the hill of the foreskins.

4 And this is the cause why Josh u-a did circumcise: All the people that came out of E gypt, that were males, even all the men of war, died in the wilderness by the way, after they came out of E gypt.

5 Now all the people that came out were circumcised: but all the people that were born in the wilderness by the way as they came forth out of E gypt, them they had not circumcised.

6 For the children of Is ra-el walked forty years in the wilderness, till all the people that were men of war, which came out of E gypt, were consumed, because they obeyed not the voice of the **LORD**: to whom the **LORD** swore that He would not show them the land, which the **LORD** swore to their fathers that He would give us, a land that flows with milk and honey. <sup>Jehovah<sup>st</sup></sup>

7 And their children, whom He raised up in their stead, them Josh u-a circumcised: for they were uncircumcised, because they had not circumcised them by the way.

8 And it came to pass, when they had done circumcising all the people, that they abode in their places in the camp, till they were whole. <sup>healed</sup>

9 And the **LORD** said to Josh u-a, **This day have I rolled away the reproach of**

**E gypt from off you**. Wherefore the name of the place is called Gil gal to this day. <sup>Jehovah<sup>st</sup></sup>

10 And the children of Is ra-el encamped in Gil gal, and kept the passover on the fourteenth day of the month at evening in the plains of Jer i-cho. <sup>in the</sup>

11 And they did eat of the old corn of the land on the morrow after the passover, unleavened cakes, and parched corn in the selfsame day. <sup>produce - next day - yeast-free - roasted grain</sup>

12 And the manna ceased on the morrow after they had eaten of the old corn of the land; neither had the children of Is ra-el manna any more; but they did eat of the fruit of the land of Ca naan that year. <sup>produce</sup>

13 And it came to pass, when Josh u-a was by Jer i-cho, that he lifted up his eyes and looked, and, behold, there stood a man opposite him with his sword drawn in his hand: and Josh u-a went to him, and said to him, Are you for us, or for our adversaries?

14 And He said, Nay; but as captain of the host of the **LORD** am I now come. And Josh u-a fell on his face to the earth, and did worship, and said to Him, What says my lord to His servant?

15 And the captain of the **LORD**'s host said to Josh u-a, **Loose your shoe from off your foot; for the place whereon you stand is holy.** And Josh u-a did so.

## CHAPTER 6

**N**OW Jer i-cho was straitly shut up because of the children of Is ra-el: none went out, and none came in. <sup>tightly</sup>

2 And the **LORD** said to Josh u-a, **See, I have given into your hand Jer i-cho, and the king thereof, and the mighty men of valor.** <sup>Jehovah<sup>st</sup></sup>

3 And you shall compass the city, all you men of war, and go round about the city once. Thus shall you do six days. <sup>go around</sup>

4 And seven priests shall bear before the ark seven trumpets of rams' horns: and the seventh day you shall compass the city seven times, and the priests shall blow with the trumpets.

5 And it shall come to pass, that when they make a long blast with the ram's horn, and when you hear the sound of the trumpet, all the people shall shout with a great shout; and the wall of the city shall fall down flat, and the people shall ascend up every man straight before him. <sup>go up (i.e. to battle)</sup>

6 And Josh u-a the son of Nun called the priests, and said to them, Take up

the ark of the covenant, and let seven priests bear seven trumpets of rams' horns before the ark of the LORD.

7 And he said to the people, Pass on, and compass the city, and let him that is armed pass on before the ark of the LORD.

8 And it came to pass, when Josh'u-a had spoken to the people, that the seven priests, bearing the seven trumpets of rams' horns passed on before the LORD, and blew with the trumpets; and the ark of the covenant of the LORD followed them.

9 And the armed men went before the priests that blew with the trumpets, and the rearward came after the ark, the priests going on, and blowing with the trumpets.

10 And Josh'u-a had commanded the people, saying, You' shall not shout, nor make any noise with your' voice, neither shall any word proceed out of your' mouth, until the day I bid you' shout; then shall you' shout.

11 So the ark of the LORD compassed the city, going about it once; and they came into the camp, and lodged in the camp.

12 And Josh'u-a rose early in the morning, and the priests took up the ark of the LORD.

13 And seven priests bearing seven trumpets of rams' horns before the ark of the LORD went on continually, and blew with the trumpets; and the armed men went before them; but the rearward came after the ark of the LORD, the priests going on, and blowing with the trumpets.

14 And the second day they compassed the city once, and returned into the camp: so they did six days.

15 And it came to pass on the seventh day, that they rose early about the dawning of the day, and compassed the city after the same manner seven times: only on that day they compassed the city seven times.

16 And it came to pass at the seventh time, when the priests blew with the trumpets, Josh'u-a said to the people, Shout; for the LORD has given you' the city.

17 And the city shall be accursed, even it, and all that are therein, to the LORD; only Ra'hab the harlot shall live, she and all that are with her in the house, because she hid the messengers that we sent.

18 And you', in any wise keep your-selves from the accursed thing, lest you' make yourselves' accursed, when you' take of the accursed thing, and make

the camp of Is'ra-el a curse, and trouble it.

19 But all the silver, and gold, and vessels of brass and iron, are consecrated to the LORD: they shall come into the treasury of the LORD.

20 So the people shouted when the priests blew with the trumpets; and it came to pass, when the people heard the sound of the trumpet, and the people shouted with a great shout, that the wall fell down flat, so that the people went up into the city, every man straight before him, and they took the city.

21 And they utterly destroyed all that was in the city, both man and woman, young and old, and ox, and sheep, and ass, with the edge of the sword.

22 But Josh'u-a had said to the two men that had spied out the country, Go into the harlot's house, and bring out from there the woman, and all that she has, as you' swore to her.

23 And the young men that were spies went in, and brought out Ra'hab, and her father, and her mother, and her brethren, and all that she had; and they brought out all her kindred, and left them outside the camp of Is'ra-el.

24 And they burned the city with fire, and all that was therein: only the silver, and the gold, and the vessels of brass and of iron, they put into the treasury of the house of the LORD.

25 And Josh'u-a saved Ra'hab the harlot alive, and her father's household, and all that she had; and she dwells in Is'ra-el even to this day; because she hid the messengers, which Josh'u-a sent to spy out Jer'i-cho.

26 And Josh'u-a adjured them at that time, saying, Cursed be the man before the LORD, that rises up and builds this city Jer'i-cho: he shall lay the foundation thereof in his firstborn, and in his youngest son shall he set up the gates of it.

27 So the LORD was with Josh'u-a; and his fame was noised throughout all the country.

## CHAPTER 7

**B**UT the children of Is'ra-el committed a trespass in the accursed thing: for A'chan, the son of Car'mi, the son of Zab'di, the son of Ze'rah, of the tribe of Ju'dah, took of the accursed thing; and the anger of the LORD was kindled against the children of Is'ra-el.

2 And Josh'u-a sent men from Jer'i-cho to A'i, which is beside Beth-a'ven, on

the east side of Beth'-el, and spoke to them, saying, Go up and view the country. And the men went up and viewed A'i.

3 And they returned to Josh'u-a, and said to him, Let not all the people go up; but let about two or three thousand men go up and smite A'i; and make not all the people to labor there; for they *are but few*.

4 So there went up there of the people about three thousand men: and they fled before the men of A'i.

5 And the men of A'i smote of them about thirty and six men: for they chased them *from* before the gate *even* to Sheb'a-rim, and smote them *in the going down*: wherefore the hearts of the people melted, and became as water.

6 And Josh'u-a rent his clothes, and fell to the earth upon his face before the ark of the LORD until the evening, he and the elders of Is'ra-el, and put dust upon their heads.

7 And Josh'u-a said, Alas, O LORD God, wherefore have You at all brought his people over Jor'dan, to deliver us into the hand of the Am'orites, to destroy us? would to God we had been content, and dwelled on the other side Jor'dan!

8 O LORD, what shall I say, when Is'ra-el turns their backs before their enemies!

9 For the Ca'naan-ites and all the inhabitants of the land shall hear of it, and shall environ us round, and cut off our name from the earth: and what will you do to Your great name?

10 And the LORD said to Josh'u-a, Get you up; why lie you thus upon your face?

11 Is'ra-el has sinned, and they have also transgressed My covenant which I commanded them: for they have even taken of the accursed thing, and have also stolen, and dissembled also, and they have put it even among their own stuff.

12 Therefore the children of Is'ra-el could not stand before their enemies, but turned their backs before their enemies, because they were accursed: neither will I be with you' any more, except you' destroy the accursed from among you'.

13 Up, sanctify the people, and say, Sanctify yourselves' for tomorrow: for thus says the LORD God of Is'ra-el, There is an accursed thing in the midst of you, O Is'ra-el: you can not stand before your enemies, until you'

take away the accursed thing from among you'.

14 In the morning therefore you' shall be brought according to your' tribes: and it shall be, that the tribe which the LORD takes shall come according to the families thereof; and the family which the LORD shall take shall come by households; and the household which the LORD shall take shall come man by man.

15 And it shall be, that he that is taken with the accursed thing shall be burned with fire, he and all that he has: because he has transgressed the covenant of the LORD, and because he has wrought folly in Is'ra-el.

16 So Josh'u-a rose up early in the morning, and brought Is'ra-el by their tribes; and the tribe of Ju'dah was taken:

17 And he brought the family of Ju'dah; and he took the family of the Zar'hites: and he brought the family of the Zar'hites man by man; and Zab'di was taken:

18 And he brought his household man by man; and A'chan, the son of Car'mi, the son of Zab'di, the son of Ze'rah, of the tribe of Ju'dah, was taken.

19 And Josh'u-a said to A'chan, My son, give, I pray you, glory to the LORD God of Is'ra-el, and make confession to Him; and tell me now what you have done; hide it not from me.

20 And A'chan answered Josh'u-a, and said, Indeed I have sinned against the LORD God of Is'ra-el, and thus and thus have I done:

21 When I saw among the spoils a goodly Bab'y-lo-nish garment, and two hundred shekels of silver, and a wedge of gold of fifty shekels weight, then I coveted them, and took them; and, behold, they are hidden in the earth in the midst of my tent, and the silver under it.

22 So Josh'u-a sent messengers, and they ran to the tent; and, behold, it was hidden in his tent, and the silver under it.

23 And they took them out of the midst of the tent, and brought them to Josh'u-a, and to all the children of Is'ra-el, and laid them out before the LORD.

24 And Josh'u-a, and all Is'ra-el with him, took A'chan the son of Ze'rah, and the silver, and the garment, and the wedge of gold, and his sons, and his daughters, and his oxen, and his asses, and his sheep, and his tent, and all that

he had; and they brought them to the valley of A chor.

25 And Josh' u-a said, Why have you troubled us? the LORD shall trouble you this day. And all Is' ra-el stoned him with stones, and burned them with fire, after they had stoned them with stones.

26 And they raised over him a great heap of stones to this day. So the LORD turned from the fierceness of His anger. Wherefore the name of that place was called, The valley of A chor, to this day.

i.e. monument - Jehovah<sup>h</sup> - Trouble

## CHAPTER 8

**AND** the LORD said to Josh' u-a, **Fear not, neither be you dismayed; take all the people of war with you, and arise, go up to A'i: see, I have given into your hand the king of A'i, and his people, and his city, and his land:**

**2 And you shall do to A'i and her king as you did to Jer' i-cho and her king: only the spoil thereof, and the cattle thereof, shall you<sup>s</sup> take for a prey to yourselves<sup>s</sup>: lay you an ambush for the city behind it.**

3 So Josh' u-a arose, and all the people of war, to go up against A'i: and Josh' u-a chose out thirty thousand mighty men of valor, and sent them away by night.

4 And he commanded them, saying, Behold, you<sup>s</sup> shall lie in wait against the city, *even* behind the city: go not very far from the city, but be you<sup>s</sup> all ready:

5 And I, and all the people that *are* with me, will approach to the city: and it shall come to pass, when they come out against us, as at the first, that we will flee before them,

6 (For they will come out after us) till we have drawn them from the city: for they will say, They flee before us, as at the first: therefore we will flee before them.

7 Then you<sup>s</sup> shall rise up from the ambush, and seize upon the city: for the LORD your<sup>s</sup> God will deliver it into your<sup>s</sup> hand.

Jehovah<sup>h</sup> - Elohim<sup>st</sup>

8 And it shall be, when you<sup>s</sup> have taken the city, *that* you<sup>s</sup> shall set the city on fire: according to the commandment of the LORD shall you<sup>s</sup> do. See, I have commanded you<sup>s</sup>.

9 Josh' u-a therefore sent them forth: and they went to lie in ambush, and abode between Beth'-el and A'i, on the west side of A'i: but Josh' u-a lodged that night among the people.

10 And Josh' u-a rose up early in the morning, and numbered the people,

and went up, he and the elders of Is'-ra-el, before the people to A'i. i.e. marched

11 And all the people, *even the people* of war that *were* with him, went up, and drew near, and came before the city, and pitched on the north side of A'i: now *There was* a valley between them and A'i.

12 And he took about five thousand men, and set them to lie in ambush between Beth'-el and A'i, on the west side of the city.

13 And when they had set the people, *even* all the host that *was* on the north of the city, and their liers in wait on the west of the city, Josh' u-a went that night into the midst of the valley. i.e. ambushers

14 And it came to pass, when the king of A'i saw *it*, that they hastened and rose up early, and the men of the city went out against Is' ra-el to battle, he and all his people, at a time appointed, before the plain; but he knew not that *there were liers in ambush* against him behind the city.

15 And Josh' u-a and all Is' ra-el made as if they were beaten before them, and fled by the way of the wilderness.

16 And all the people that were in A'i were called together to pursue after them: and they pursued after Josh' u-a, and were drawn away from the city.

17 And there was not a man left in A'i or Beth'-el, that went not out after Is' ra-el: and they left the city open, and pursued after Is' ra-el.

18 And the LORD said to Josh' u-a, **Stretch out the spear that *is* in your hand toward A'i; for I will give it into your hand.** And Josh' u-a stretched out the spear that *he had* in his hand toward the city.

Jehovah<sup>h</sup>

19 And the ambush arose quickly out of their place, and they ran as soon as he had stretched out his hand: and they entered into the city, and took it, and hasted and set the city on fire.

hurried

20 And when the men of A'i looked behind them, they saw, and, behold, the smoke of the city ascended up to heaven, and they had no power to flee this way or that way: and the people that fled to the wilderness turned back upon the pursuers.

21 And when Josh' u-a and all Is' ra-el saw that the ambush had taken the city, and that the smoke of the city ascended, then they turned again, and slew the men of A'i.

22 And the other issued out of the city against them; so they were in the midst of Is' ra-el, some on this side, and some on that side: and they smote them, so

that they let none of them remain or escape.

23 And the king of A'i they took alive, and brought him to Josh'u-a.

24 And it came to pass, when Is'ra-el had made an end of slaying all the inhabitants of A'i in the field, in the wilderness wherein they chased them, and when they were all fallen on the edge of the sword, until they were consumed, that all the Is'ra-el-ites returned to A'i, and smote it with the edge of the sword.

25 And so it was, that all that fell that day, both of men and women, were twelve thousand, even all the men of A'i.

26 For Josh'u-a drew not his hand back, wherewith he stretched out the spear, until he had utterly destroyed all the inhabitants of A'i.

27 Only the cattle and the spoil of that city Is'ra-el took for a prey to themselves, according to the word of the LORD which He commanded Josh'u-a.

28 And Josh'u-a burned A'i, and made it a heap for ever, even a desolation to this day.

29 And the king of A'i he hanged on a tree until evening: and as soon as the sun was down, Josh'u-a commanded that they should take his carcass down from the tree, and cast it at the entering of the gate of the city, and raise thereon a great heap of stones, that remains to this day.

30 Then Josh'u-a built an altar to the LORD God of Is'ra-el in mount E'bal,

31 As Mo'ses the servant of the LORD commanded the children of Is'ra-el, as it is written in the book of the law of Mo'ses, an altar of whole stones, over which no man has lifted up any iron: and they offered thereon burned offerings to the LORD, and sacrificed peace offerings.

32 And he wrote there upon the stones a copy of the law of Mo'ses, which he wrote in the presence of the children of Is'ra-el.

33 And all Is'ra-el, and their elders, and officers, and their judges, stood on this side the ark and on that side before the priests the Le vites, which bore the ark of the covenant of the LORD, as well the stranger, as he that was born among them; half of them opposite mount Ger-i-zim, and half of them opposite mount E'bal; as Mo'ses the servant of the LORD had commanded before, that they should bless the people of Is'ra-el.

34 And afterward he read all the words

of the law, the blessings and cursings, according to all that is written in the book of the law.

35 There was not a word of all that Mo'ses commanded, which Josh'u-a read not before all the congregation of Is'ra-el, with the women, and the little ones, and the strangers that were conversant among them.

## CHAPTER 9

AND it came to pass, when all the Kings, which were on this side Jor'dan, in the hills, and in the valleys, and in all the coasts of the great sea over against Leb-a-non, the Hit-tite, and the Am'or-ite, the Ca'naan-ite, the Per-iz-zite, the Hi'vite, and the Jeb'u-site, heard thereof;

2 That they gathered themselves together, to fight with Josh'u-a and with Is'ra-el, with one accord.

3 And when the inhabitants of Gib'eon heard what Josh'u-a had done to Jer'i-cho and to A'i,

4 They did work wilyly, and went and made as if they had been ambassadors, and took old sacks upon their asses, and wine bottles, old, and rent, and bound up;

5 And old shoes and clouted upon their feet, and old garments upon them; and all the bread of their provision was dry and moldy.

6 And they went to Josh'u-a to the camp at Gil'gal, and said to him, and to the men of Is'ra-el, We be come from a far country: now therefore make you a league with us.

7 And the men of Is'ra-el said to the Hi'vites, Perhaps you dwell among us; and how shall we make a league with you?

8 And they said to Josh'u-a, We are your servants. And Josh'u-a said to them, Who are you? and from where come you?

9 And they said to him, From a very far country your servants are come because of the name of the LORD your God: for we have heard the fame of him, and all that He did in E'gypt,

10 And all that He did to the two kings of the Am'or-ites, that were beyond Jor'dan, to Si'hon king of Hesh'bon, and to Og king of Ba'shan, which was at Ash'ta-roth,

11 Wherefore our elders and all the inhabitants of our country spoke to us, saying, Take victuals with you for the journey, and go to meet them, and say to them, We are your servants; therefore now make you a league with us.

provisions, food - treaty

12 This our bread we took hot for our provision out of our houses on the day we came forth to go to you<sup>2</sup>; but now, behold, it is dry, and it is mouldy;

13 And these bottles of wine, which we filled, were new; and, behold, they be rent; and these our garments and our shoes are become old by reason of the very long journey. <sup>wineskins - torn</sup>

14 And the men took of their victuals, and asked not counsel at the mouth of the LORD. <sup>provisions, food - Jehovah<sup>st</sup></sup>

15 And Josh'u-a made peace with them, and made a league with them, to let them live: and the princes of the congregation swore to them. <sup>treaty - promised</sup>

16 And it came to pass at the end of three days after they had made a league with them, that they heard that they were their neighbors, and that they dwelled among them.

17 And the children of Is'ra-el journeyed, and came to their cities on the third day. Now their cities were Gib'e-on, and Che-phi'rah, and Be'e-roth, and Kir'jath-je'a-rim.

18 And the children of Is'ra-el smote them not, because the princes of the congregation had sworn to them by the LORD God of Is'ra-el. And all the congregation murmured against the princes. <sup>attacked - grumbled</sup>

19 But all the princes said to all the congregation, We have sworn to them by the LORD God of Is'ra-el: now therefore we may not touch them. <sup>promised - Jehovah<sup>st</sup> - Elohim<sup>pl</sup></sup>

20 This we will do to them; we will even let them live, lest wrath be upon us, because of the oath which we swore to them. <sup>i.e. God's judgment</sup>

21 And the princes said to them, Let them live; but let them be hewers of wood and drawers of water to all the congregation; as the princes had promised them. <sup>woodcutters</sup>

22 And Josh'u-a called for them, and he spoke to them, saying, Wherefore have you<sup>2</sup> beguiled us, saying, We are very far from you; when you<sup>2</sup> dwell among us? <sup>deceived</sup>

23 Now therefore you<sup>2</sup> are cursed, and there shall none of you<sup>2</sup> be freed from being bondmen, and hewers of wood and drawers of water for the house of my God. <sup>woodcutters - Elohim<sup>pl</sup></sup>

24 And they answered Josh'u-a, and said, Because it was certainly told your servants, how that the LORD your God commanded His servant Mo'ses to give you<sup>2</sup> all the land, and to destroy all the inhabitants of the land from before you<sup>2</sup>, therefore we were sore afraid of our lives because of you<sup>2</sup>, and have done this thing. <sup>clearly - Jehovah<sup>st</sup> - Elohim<sup>pl</sup> - very</sup>

25 And now, behold, we are in your hand: as it seems good and right to you to do to us, do.

26 And so did he to them, and delivered them out of the hand of the children of Is'ra-el, that they slew them not.

27 And Josh'u-a made them that day hewers of wood and drawers of water for the congregation, and for the altar of the LORD, even to this day, in the place which he should choose.

## CHAPTER 10

**N**OW it came to pass, when A-don'i-ze' dec king of Je-ru'sa-lem had heard how Josh'u-a had taken A'i, and had utterly destroyed it; as he had done to Jer'i-cho, and her king, so he had done to A'i and her king; and how the inhabitants of Gib'e-on had made peace with Is'ra-el, and were among them;

1 That they feared greatly, because Gib'e-on was a great city, as one of the royal cities, and because it was greater than A'i, and all the men thereof were mighty.

2 Wherefore A-don'i-ze' dec king of Je-ru'sa-lem sent to Ho'ham king of He'bron, and to Pi'ram king of Jar'muth, and to Ja-phi'a king of La'chish, and to De'bir king of Eg'lon, saying,

3 Come up to me, and help me, that we may smite Gib'e-on: for it has made peace with Josh'u-a and with the children of Is'ra-el. <sup>attack</sup>

4 Therefore the five kings of the Am'or-ites, the king of Je-ru'sa-lem, the king of He'bron, the king of Jar'muth, the king of La'chish, the king of Eg'lon, gathered themselves together, and went up, they and all their hosts, and encamped before Gib'e-on, and made war against it.

5 And the men of Gib'e-on sent to Josh'u-a to the camp to Gil'gal, saying, Slack not your hand from your servants; come up to us quickly, and save us, and help us: for all the kings of the Am'or-ites that dwell in the mountains are gathered together against us. <sup>relax</sup>

6 So Josh'u-a ascended from Gil'gal, he, and all the people of war with him, and all the mighty men of valor. <sup>brave</sup>

7 And the LORD said to Josh'u-a, **Fear them not: for I have delivered them into your hand; there shall not a man of them stand before you.** <sup>Jehovah<sup>st</sup></sup>

8 Josh'u-a therefore came to them sud-

denly, *and* went up from Gil'gal all night.

10 And the LORD discomfited them before Is'ra-el, and slew them with a great slaughter at Gib'e-on, and chased them along the way that goes up to Beth-ho'ron, and smote them to A-ze'kah, and to Mak-ke'dah.

Jehovah<sup>st</sup> - overthrew, confounded

11 And it came to pass, as they fled from before Is'ra-el, *and* were in the going down to Beth-ho'ron, that the LORD cast down great stones from heaven upon them to A-ze'kah, and they died: *they were* more which died with hailstones than *they* whom the children of Is'ra-el slew with the sword.

Jehovah<sup>st</sup>

12 Then spoke Josh'u-a to the LORD in the day when the LORD delivered up the Am'or-ites before the children of Is'ra-el, and he said in the sight of Is'ra-el, Sun, stand you still upon Gib'e-on; and you, Moon, in the valley of Aj'a-lon.

13 And the sun stood still, and the moon stayed, until the people had avenged themselves upon their enemies. *Is* not this written in the book of Ja'sher? So the sun stood still in the midst of heaven, and hasted not to go down about a whole day.

delayed

14 And there was no day like that before it or after it, that the LORD hearkened to the voice of a man: for the LORD fought for Is'ra-el.

Jehovah<sup>st</sup> - listened

15 And Josh'u-a returned, and all Is'ra-el with him, to the camp to Gil'gal.

16 But these five kings fled, and hid themselves in a cave at Mak-ke'dah.

17 And it was told Josh'u-a, saying, The five kings are found hidden in a cave at Mak-ke'dah.

18 And Josh'u-a said, Roll great stones upon the mouth of the cave, and set men by it for to keep them:

assign - guard

19 And stay you<sup>r</sup> not, *but* pursue after your<sup>r</sup> enemies, and smite the hindmost of them; allow them not to enter into their cities: for the LORD your<sup>r</sup> God has delivered them into your<sup>r</sup> hand.

20 And it came to pass, when Josh'u-a and the children of Is'ra-el had made an end of slaying them with a very great slaughter, till they were consumed, that the rest *which* remained of them entered into fenced cities.

destroyed - fortified

21 And all the people returned to the camp to Josh'u-a at Mak-ke'dah in peace: none moved his tongue against any of the children of Is'ra-el.

i.e. uttered a word

22 Then said Josh'u-a, Open the mouth

of the cave, and bring out those five kings to me out of the cave.

23 And they did so, and brought forth those five kings to him out of the cave, the king of Je-ru'sa-lem, the king of He'bron, the king of Jar'muth, the king of La'chish, *and* the king of Eg'lon.

24 And it came to pass, when they brought out those kings to Josh'u-a, that Josh'u-a called for all the men of Is'ra-el, and said to the captains of the men of war which went with him, Come near, put your feet upon the necks of these kings. And they came near, and put their feet upon the necks of them.

i.e. as a symbol of mastery

25 And Josh'u-a said to them, Fear not, nor be dismayed, be strong and of good courage: for thus shall the LORD do to all your<sup>r</sup> enemies against whom you<sup>r</sup> fight.

Jehovah<sup>st</sup>

26 And afterward Josh'u-a smote them, and slew them, and hanged them on five trees: and they were hanging upon the trees until the evening.

struck

27 And it came to pass at the time of the going down of the sun, *that* Josh'u-a commanded, and they took them down off the trees, and cast them into the cave wherein they had been hidden, and laid great stones in the cave's mouth, *which remain* until this very day.

28 And that day Josh'u-a took Mak-ke'dah, and smote it with the edge of the sword, and the king thereof he utterly destroyed, them, and all the souls that *were* therein; he let none remain: and he did to the king of Mak-ke'dah as he did to the king of Jer'i-cho.

struck - people

29 Then Josh'u-a passed from Mak-ke'dah, and all Is'ra-el with him, to Lib'nah, and fought against Lib'nah:

30 And the LORD delivered it also, and the king thereof, into the hand of Is'ra-el; and he smote it with the edge of the sword, and all the souls that *were* therein; he let none remain in it; but did to the king thereof as he did to the king of Jer'i-cho.

Jehovah<sup>st</sup> - persons

31 And Josh'u-a passed from Lib'nah, and all Is'ra-el with him, to La'chish, and encamped against it, and fought against it:

32 And the LORD delivered La'chish into the hand of Is'ra-el, which took it on the second day, and smote it with the edge of the sword, and all the souls that *were* therein, according to all that he had done to Lib'nah.

Jehovah<sup>st</sup> - people

33 Then Ho'ram king of Ge'zer came up to help La'chish; and Josh'u-a smote him and his people, until he had left him none remaining.

34 And from La'chish Josh'u-a passed to Eg'lon, and all Is'ra-el with him; and they encamped against it, and fought against it:

35 And they took it on that day, and smote it with the edge of the sword, and all the souls that were therein he utterly destroyed that day, according to all that he had done to La'chish. <sup>people</sup>

36 And Josh'u-a went up from Eg'lon, and all Is'ra-el with him, to He'bron; and they fought against it:

37 And they took it, and smote it with the edge of the sword, and the king thereof, and all the cities thereof, and all the souls that were therein; he left none remaining, according to all that he had done to Eg'lon; but destroyed it utterly, and all the souls that were therein.

38 And Josh'u-a returned, and all Is'ra-el with him, to De'bir; and fought against it:

39 And he took it, and the king thereof, and all the cities thereof; and they smote them with the edge of the sword, and utterly destroyed all the souls that were therein; he left none remaining; as he had done to He'bron, so he did to De'bir, and to the king thereof; as he had done also to Lib'nah, and to her king. <sup>i.e. people</sup>

40 So Josh'u-a smote all the country of the hills, and of the south, and of the vale, and of the springs, and all their kings: he left none remaining, but utterly destroyed all that breathed, as the LORD God of Is'ra-el commanded.

<sup>struck - foothills - mountain slopes - Jehovah<sup>st</sup> Elohim<sup>st</sup></sup>  
41 And Josh'u-a smote them from Ka'desh-bar'ne-a even to Ga'za, and all the country of Go'shen, even to Gib'e-on.

42 And all these kings and their land did Josh'u-a take at one time, because the LORD God of Is'ra-el fought for Is'ra-el.

43 And Josh'u-a returned, and all Is'ra-el with him, to the camp to Gil'gal.

## CHAPTER 11

**A**ND it came to pass, when Ja'bin King of Ha'zor had heard those things, that he sent to Jo'bab king of Ma'don, and to the king of Shim'ron, and to the king of Ach'shaph,

2 And to the kings that were on the north of the mountains, and of the plains south of Chin'ne-roth, and in the valley, and in the borders of Dor on the west,

3 And to the Ca'naan-ite on the east and on the west, and to the Am'or-ite, and the Hit'tite, and the Per'iz-zite,

and the Jeb'u-site in the mountains, and to the Hi'vite under Her'mon in the land of Miz-peh.

4 And they went out, they and all their hosts with them, many people, even as the sand that is upon the sea shore in multitude, with horses and chariots very many.

5 And when all these kings were met together, they came and pitched together at the waters of Me'rom, to fight against Is'ra-el. <sup>agreed to meet - camped</sup>

6 And the LORD said to Josh'u-a, **Be not afraid because of them: for tomorrow about this time will I deliver them up all slain before Is'ra-el: you shall hough their horses, and burn their chariots with fire.** <sup>Jehovah<sup>st</sup> - hamstring</sup>

7 So Josh'u-a came, and all the people of war with him, against them by the waters of Me'rom suddenly; and they fell upon them.

8 And the LORD delivered them into the hand of Is'ra-el, who smote them, and chased them to great Zi'don, and to Mis're-photh-ma'im, and to the valley of Miz-peh eastward; and they smote them, until they left them none remaining.

9 And Josh'u-a did to them as the LORD bid him: he houghed their horses, and burned their chariots with fire. <sup>Jehovah<sup>st</sup> - asked - hamstring</sup>

10 And Josh'u-a at that time turned back, and took Ha'zor, and smote the king thereof with the sword: for Ha'zor beforetime was the head of all those kingdoms.

11 And they smote all the souls that were therein with the edge of the sword, utterly destroying them: there was not any left to breathe: and he burned Ha'zor with fire. <sup>struck - i.e. people</sup>

12 And all the cities of those kings, and all the kings of them, did Josh'u-a take, and smote them with the edge of the sword, and he utterly destroyed them, as Mo'ses the servant of the LORD commanded. <sup>Jehovah<sup>st</sup></sup>

13 But as for the cities that stood still in their strength, Is'ra-el burned none of them, save Ha'zor only; that did Josh'u-a burn.

14 And all the spoil of these cities, and the cattle, the children of Is'ra-el took for a prey to themselves; but every man they smote with the edge of the sword, until they had destroyed them, neither left they any to breathe.

15 As the LORD commanded Mo'ses his servant, so did Mo'ses command Josh'u-a, and so did Josh'u-a; he left nothing undone of all that the LORD commanded Mo'ses.

16 So Josh'u-a took all that land, the

hills, and all the south country, and all the land of Go'shen, and the valley, and the plain, and the mountain of Is'ra-el, and the valley of the same; 17 *Even* from the mount Ha'lak, that goes up to Se'ir, even to Ba'al-gad in the valley of Leb'a-non under mount Her'mon: and all their kings he took, and smote them, and slew them.

18 Josh'u-a made war a long time with all those kings.

19 There was not a city that made peace with the children of Is'ra-el, save the Hi'vites the inhabitants of Gib'e-on: all *other* they took in battle.

20 For it was of the LORD to harden their hearts, that they should come against Is'ra-el in battle, that he might destroy them utterly, *and* that they might have no *favor*, but that he might destroy them, as the LORD commanded Mo'ses.

21 And at that time came Josh'u-a, and cut off the An'a-kims from the mountains, from He'bron, from De'bir, from A'nab, and from all the mountains of Ju'dah, and from all the mountains of Is'ra-el: Josh'u-a destroyed them utterly with their cities.

22 There was none of the An'a-kims left in the land of the children of Is'ra-el: only in Ga'za, in Gath, and in Ash'dod, there remained.

23 So Josh'u-a took the whole land, according to all that the LORD said to Mo'ses; and Josh'u-a gave it for an inheritance to Is'ra-el according to their divisions by their tribes. And the land rested from war.

## CHAPTER 12

**N**OW these *are* the kings of the land, which the children of Is'ra-el smote, and possessed their land on the other side Jor'dan toward the rising of the sun, from the river Ar non to mount Her'mon, and all the plain on the east:

1 Si'hon king of the Am'or-ites, who dwelled in Hesh'bon, *and* ruled from Ar'o-er, which *is* upon the bank of the river Ar non, and from the middle of the river, and from half Gil'e-ad, even to the river Jab'ok, *which is* the border of the children of Am'mon;

2 And from the plain to the sea of Chin'ne-roth on the east, and to the sea of the plain, *even* the Salt sea on the east, the way to Beth-jesh'i-moth; and from the south, under Ash'doth-pis'gah:

3 And the coast of Og king of Ba'shan, *which was* of the remnant of the giants, that dwelled at Ash'ta-roth and at Ed're-i,

5 And reigned in mount Her'mon, and in Sal'cah, and in all Ba'shan, to the border of the Gesh'u-rites and the Ma-ach'a-thites, and half Gil'e-ad, the border of Si'hon king of Hesh'bon.

6 Them did Mo'ses the servant of the LORD and the children of Is'ra-el smite: and Mo'ses the servant of the LORD gave it for a possession to the Reu'ben-ites, and the Gad'ites, and the half tribe of Ma-nas'seh.

7 And these *are* the kings of the country which Josh'u-a and the children of Is'ra-el smote on this side Jor'dan on the west, from Ba'al-gad in the valley of Leb'a-non even to the mount Ha'lak, that goes up to Se'ir; which Josh'u-a gave to the tribes of Is'ra-el for a possession according to their divisions;

8 In the mountains, and in the valleys, and in the plains, and in the springs, and in the wilderness, and in the south country; the Hit'tites, the Am'or-ites, and the Ca'naan-ites, the Per'izzites, the Hi'vites, and the Jeb'u-sites:

9 The king of Jer'i-cho, one; the king of Ai, which *is* beside Beth'-el, one;

10 The king of Je-ru'sa-lem, one; the king of He'bron, one;

11 The king of Jar'muth, one; the king of La'chish, one;

12 The king of Eg'lon, one; the king of Ge'zer, one;

13 The king of De'bir, one; the king of Geder, one;

14 The king of Hor'mah, one; the king of A'rad, one;

15 The king of Lib'nah, one; the king of A-dul'lam, one;

16 The king of Mak-ke'dah, one; the king of Beth'-el, one;

17 The king of Tap-puah, one; the king of He'pher, one;

18 The king of A'phek, one; the king of La-shar'on, one;

19 The king of Ma'don, one; the king of Ha'zor, one;

20 The king of Shim'ron-me'ron, one; the king of Ach'shaph, one;

21 The king of Ta'a-nach, one; the king of Me-gid'do, one;

22 The king of Ke'desh, one; the king of Jok'ne-am of Car'mel, one;

23 The king of Dor in the coast of Dor, one; the king of the nations of Gil'gal, one;

24 The king of Tir'zah, one: all the kings thirty and one.

## CHAPTER 13

**N**OW Josh'u-a was old and stricken in years; *and* the LORD said to him,

You are old *and* stricken in years, and there remains yet very much land to be possessed.

Jehovah<sup>st</sup> - i.e. taken over

2 This *is* the land that yet remains: all the borders of the Phi-fis'tines, and all Gesh'u-ri,

3 From Si'hor, which *is* before E'gypt, even to the borders of Ek'ron northward, which *is* counted to the Ca'naan-ite: five lords of the Phi-fis'tines; the Ga'zath-ites, and the Ash'doth-ites, the Esh'ka-lon-ites, the Git-tites, and the Ek'ron-ites; also the A'vites:

4 From the south, all the land of the Ca'naan-ites, and Me-a'rah that *is* beside the Si-do'ni-ans, to A'phek, to the borders of the Am'or-ites:

5 And the land of the Gib'lites, and all Leb'a-non, toward the sunrising, from Ba'al-gad under mount Hermon to the entering into Ha'math,

6 All the inhabitants of the hill country from Leb'a-non to Mis're-phothma'im, and all the Si-do'ni-ans, them will I drive out from before the children of Is'ra-el: only divide you it by lot to the Is'ra-el-ites for an inheritance, as I have commanded you. <sup>allot</sup>

7 Now therefore divide this land for an inheritance to the nine tribes, and the half tribe of Ma-nas'seh,

8 With whom the Reu'ben-ites and the Gad-ites have received their inheritance, which Mo'ses gave them, beyond Jor'dan eastward, *even* as Mo'ses the servant of the LORD gave them;

9 From Ar'o-er, that *is* upon the bank of the river Ar'non, and the city that *is* in the midst of the river, and all the plain of Med'e-ba to Di'bon;

10 And all the cities of Si'hon king of the Am'or-ites, which reigned in Hesh'bon, to the border of the children of Am'mon;

11 And Gil'e-ad, and the border of the Gesh'u-rites and Ma-ach'a-thites, and all mount Hermon, and all Ba'shan to Sal'cah;

12 All the kingdom of Og in Ba'shan, which reigned in Ash'ta-roth and in Ed're-i, who remained of the remnant of the giants: for these did Mo'ses smite, and cast them out.

strike, i.e. defeat - take their land

13 Nevertheless the children of Is'ra-el expelled not the Gesh'u-rites, nor the Ma-ach'a-thites: but the Gesh'u-rites and the Ma-ach'a-thites dwell among the Is'ra-el-ites until this day.

14 Only to the tribe of Le'vi he gave no inheritance; the sacrifices of the LORD God of Is'ra-el made by fire *are* their inheritance, as He said to them.

i.e. offerings - Jehovah<sup>st</sup> Elohim<sup>st</sup>

15 And Mo'ses gave to the tribe of the

children of Reu'ben inheritance according to their families.

divided

16 And their coast was from Ar'o-er, that *is* on the bank of the river Ar'non, and the city that *is* in the midst of the river, and all the plain by Med'e-ba;

17 Hesh'bon, and all her cities that *are* in the plain; Di'bon, and Ba'moth-ba'al, and Beth-ba'al-me'on, 18 And Ja-ha'za, and Ked'e-moth, and Meph'a-ath,

19 And Kir-jath-a'im, and Sib'mah, and Za'reh-sha'har in the mount of the valley,

20 And Beth-pe'or, and Ash'doth-pis'gah, and Beth-jesh'i-moth,

21 And all the cities of the plain, and all the kingdom of Si'hon king of the Am'or-ites, which reigned in Hesh'bon, whom Mo'ses smote with the princes of Mid'i-an, E'vi, and Re'kem, and Zur, and Hur, and Re'ba, which were chiefs of Si'hon, dwelling in the country.

22 Ba'laam also the son of Be'or, the soothsayer, did the children of Is'ra-el slay with the sword among them that were slain by them.

diviner, fortune teller

23 And the border of the children of Reu'ben was Jor'dan, and the border thereof. This was the inheritance of the children of Reu'ben after their families, the cities and the villages thereof.

24 And Mo'ses gave inheritance to the tribe of Gad, *even* to the children of Gad according to their families.

25 And their coast was Ja'zer, and all the cities of Gil'e-ad, and half the land of the children of Am'mon, to Ar'o-er that *is* before Rab'bah;

territory

26 And from Hesh'bon to Ra'math-miz'peh, and Bet'o-nim; and from Ma-ha-na'im to the border of De'bir;

27 And in the valley, Beth-a'ram, and Beth-nim'rah, and Suc'coth, and Za'phon, the rest of the kingdom of Si'hon king of Hesh'bon, Jor'dan and his border, *even* to the edge of the sea of Chin-ne-reth on the other side Jor'dan eastward.

28 This *is* the inheritance of the children of Gad after their families, the cities, and their villages.

29 And Mo'ses gave inheritance to the half tribe of Ma-nas'seh: and *this* was the possession of the half tribe of the children of Ma-nas'seh by their families.

30 And their coast was from Ma-ha-na'im, all Ba'shan, all the kingdom of Og king of Ba'shan, and all the towns of Ja'ir, which are in Ba'shan, three-score cities:

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31 And half Gil'e-ad, and Ash'ta-roth, and Ed're-i, cities of the kingdom of Og

in Ba'shan, *were pertaining* to the children of Ma'chir the son of Ma-nas'seh, *even* to the one half of the children of Ma'chir by their families. <sup>were for</sup>  
 32 These *are the countries* which Mo'ses did distribute for inheritance in the plains of Mo'ab, on the other side Jor'dan, by Jer i-cho, eastward. <sup>apportion</sup>  
 33 But to the tribe of Le'vi Mo'ses gave not *any* inheritance; the LORD God of Is'ra-el was their inheritance, as he said to them. <sup>Jehovah<sup>st</sup> - Elohim<sup>pl</sup></sup>

## CHAPTER 14

**A**ND these *are the countries* which the children of Is'ra-el inherited in the land of Ca'naan, which E-le-a'zar the priest, and Josh'u-a the son of Nun, and the heads of the fathers of the tribes of the children of Is'ra-el, distributed for inheritance to them.  
 2 By lot *was* their inheritance, as the LORD commanded by the hand of Mo'ses, for the nine tribes, and for the half tribe. <sup>Jehovah<sup>st</sup></sup>  
 3 For Mo'ses had given the inheritance of two tribes and a half tribe on the other side Jor'dan: but to the Le'vites he gave no inheritance among them.

4 For the children of Jo'seph were two tribes, Ma-nas'seh and E'phra-im: therefore they gave no part to the Le'vites in the land, save cities to dwell *in*, with their suburbs for their cattle and for their substance.

5 As the LORD <sup>share - except - pasture lands</sup> commanded Mo'ses, so the children of Is'ra-el did, and they divided the land. <sup>Jehovah<sup>st</sup></sup>

6 Then the children of Ju'dah came to Josh'u-a in Gil'gal: and Ca'leb the son of Je-phun'neh the Ken'ez-ite said to him, You know the thing that the LORD said to Mo'ses the man of God concerning me and you in Ka'desh-bar-ne-a. <sup>Jehovah<sup>st</sup> - Elohim<sup>pl</sup></sup>

7 Forty years old *was* I when Mo'ses the servant of the LORD sent me from Ka'desh-bar-ne-a to espy out the land; and I brought him word again *as it was* in my heart. <sup>spy - Jehovah<sup>st</sup></sup>

8 Nevertheless my brethren that went up with me made the heart of the people melt: but I wholly followed the LORD my God. <sup>obeyed wholeheartedly</sup>

9 And Mo'ses swore on that day, saying, Surely the land whereon your feet have trodden shall be your inheritance, and your children's for ever, because you have wholly followed the LORD my God. <sup>promised - Jehovah<sup>st</sup> - Elohim<sup>pl</sup></sup>

10 And now, behold, the LORD has

kept me alive, as He said, these forty and five years, even since the LORD spoke this word to Mo'ses, while *the children* of Is'ra-el wandered in the wilderness: and now, lo, I *am* this day fourscore and five years old.

11 As yet I *am as* strong this day as I *was* in the day that Mo'ses sent me: as my strength *was* then, even so *is* my strength now, for war, both to go out, and to come in.

12 Now therefore give me this mountain, whereof the LORD spoke in that day; for you heard in that day how the An'a-kims *were* there, and *that* the cities *were* great and fenced: if so be the LORD *will* be with me, then I shall be able to drive them out, as the LORD said. <sup>Jehovah<sup>st</sup> - fortified</sup>

13 And Josh'u-a blessed him, and gave to Ca'leb the son of Je-phun'neh He'bron for an inheritance.

14 He'bron therefore became the inheritance of Ca'leb the son of Je-phun'neh the Ken'ez-ite to this day, because that he wholly followed the LORD God of Is'ra-el.

15 And the name of He'bron before *was* Kir'jath-ar'ba; *which* Ar'ba *was* a great man among the An'a-kims. And the land had rest from war. <sup>peace</sup>

## CHAPTER 15

**T**HIS then was the lot of the tribe of the children of Ju'dah by their families; even to the border of E'dom the wilderness of Zin southward *was* the uttermost part of the south coast.

2 And their south border <sup>allotment - boundary</sup> was from the shore of the Salt sea, from the bay that looks southward: <sup>i.e. Dead</sup>

3 And it went out to the south side to Ma'al'eh-a-crab'bim, and passed along to Zin, and ascended up on the south side to Ka'desh-bar-ne-a, and passed along to Hez'ron, and went up to A'dar, and circled around to Kar'ka-a:

4 *From there* it passed toward Az'mon, and went out to the river of E'gypt; and the goings out of that coast were at the sea: this shall be your south coast. <sup>extremities - boundary</sup>

5 And the east border *was* the Salt sea, *even* to the end of Jor'dan. And *their* border in the north quarter *was* from the bay of the sea at the uttermost part of Jor'dan: <sup>Dead</sup>

6 And the border went up to Beth-hog'la, and passed along by the north of Beth-ar'a-bah; and the border went up to the stone of Bo'han the son of Reu'ben: <sup>marker</sup>

7 And the border went up toward

De'bir from the valley of A'chor, and so northward, looking toward Gil'gal, that *is* before the going up to A-dum'mim, which *is* on the south side of the river: and the border passed toward the waters of En-she-mesh, and the goings out thereof were at En'ro'gel:

8 And the border went up by the valley of the son of Hin'nom to the south side of the Jeb'u-site; the same *is* Jeru'sa-lem; and the border went up to the top of the mountain that *lies* before the valley of Hin'nom westward, which is at the end of the valley of the giants northward:

9 And the border was drawn from the top of the hill to the fountain of the water of Neph'to-ah, and went out to the cities of mount E'phron; and the border was drawn to Ba'al-ah, which *is* Kir'jath-je'a-rim:

10 And the border compassed from Ba'al-ah westward to mount Se'ir, and passed along to the side of mount Je'a-rim, which *is* Ches'a-lon, on the north side, and went down to Beth-she-mesh, and passed on to Tim'nah:

11 And the border went out to the side of Ek'ron northward; and the border was drawn to Shi'cron, and passed along to mount Ba'al-ah, and went out to Jab'ne-el; and the goings out of the border were at the sea.

12 And the west border *was* to the Great sea, and the coast *thereof*. This *is* the coast of the children of Ju'dah round about according to their families.

13 And to Ca'leb the son of Jephunneh he gave a part among the children of Ju'dah, according to the commandment of the LORD to Josh'u-a, even the city of Ar'ba the father of A'nak, which *city is* He'bron.

14 And Ca'leb drove from there the three sons of A'nak, She'shai, and Ahi-man, and Tal'mai, the children of A'nak.

15 And he went up from there to the inhabitants of De'bir: and the name of De'bir before *was* Kir'jath-se'pher. 16 And Ca'leb said, He that smites Kir'jath-se'pher, and takes it, to him will I give Ach'sah my daughter as a wife.

17 And Oth'ni-el the son of Ke'naz, the brother of Ca'leb, took it: and he gave him Ach'sah his daughter as a wife.

18 And it came to pass, as she came to him, that she moved him to ask of her father a field: and she lighted off the

ass; and Ca'leb said to her, What would you?

19 Who answered, Give me a blessing; for you have given me a south land; give me also springs of water. And he gave her the upper springs, and the nether springs.

20 This *is* the inheritance of the tribe of the children of Ju'dah according to their families.

21 And the uttermost cities of the tribe of the children of Ju'dah toward the coast of E'dom southward were Kab'ze-el, and E'der, and Ja'gur,

22 And Ki'nah, and Di-mo'nah, and Ad'a-dah,

23 And Ke'desh, and Ha'zor, and Ith'nan,

24 Ziph, and Te'lem, and Be'a-loth,

25 And Ha'zor, Ha-dat'tah, and Ke-ri-oth, and Hez'ron, which *is* Ha'zor,

26 A'mam, and She'ma, and Mol'a-dah,

27 And Ha'zar-gad'dah, and Hesh'mon, and Beth-pa'let,

28 And Ha'zar-shu'al, and Be'er-she'ba, and Biz-joth'jah,

29 Ba'al-ah, and I'im, and A'zem,

30 And El'to-lad, and Che'sil, and Hor'mah,

31 And Zik'lag, and Mad-man'nah, and San-san'nah,

32 And Leb'a-oth, and Shil'him, and A'in, and Rim'mon: all the cities *are* twenty and nine, with their villages:

33 And in the valley, Esh'ta-ol, and Zo're-ah, and Ash'nah,

34 And Za-no'ah, and En-gan'nim, Tap'pu-ah, and E'nam,

35 Jar'muth, and A-dul'lam, So'coh, and A-ze'kah,

36 And Shar'a'im, and Ad-i-tha'im, and Ge-de'rah, and Ged-e-roth-a'im; fourteen cities with their villages:

37 Ze'nan, and Had'a-shah, and Mig'dal-gad,

38 And Dil'e-an, and Miz-peh, and Jok'he-el,

39 La'chish, and Boz'kath, and Eg'lou,

40 And Cab'bon, and Lah'mam, and Kith'lish,

41 And Ge-de'roth, Beth-da'gon, and Na'a-mah, and Mak'ke'dah; sixteen cities with their villages:

42 Lib'nah, and E'ther, and A'shan,

43 And Jiph'tah, and Ash'nah, and Ne'zib,

44 And Kei'lah, and Ach'zib, and Ma-re'shah; nine cities with their villages:

45 Ek'ron, with her towns and her villages:

46 From Ek'ron even to the sea, all

that *lay* near Ash'dod, with their villages:

47 Ash'dod with her towns and her villages, Ga'za with her towns and her villages, to the river of E'gypt, and the Great sea, and the border *thereof*:

i.e. Mediterranean

48 And in the mountains, Sha'mir, and Jat'tir, and So'coh,

49 And Dan'nah, and Kir'jath-san'nah, which *is* De'bir,

50 And A'nab, and Esh'te-moh, and A'nim,

51 And Go'shen, and Ho'lon, and Gi'loh; eleven cities with their villages:

52 A'rab, and Du'mah, and E'she-an, 53 And Ja'num, and Beth-tap'pu-ah, and A-phe'kah,

54 And Hum'tah, and Kir'jath-ar'ba, which *is* He'bron, and Zi'or; nine cities with their villages:

55 Ma'on, Car'mel, and Ziph, and Jut'tah,

56 And Jez're-el, and Jok'de-am, and Za-no'ah,

57 Cain, Gib'e-ah, and Tim'nah; ten cities with their villages:

58 Hal'hul, Beth'-zur, and Ge'dor,

59 And Ma'a-rath, and Beth-a'noth, and El'te-kon; six cities with their villages:

60 Kir'jath-ba'al, which *is* Kir'jath-je'a-rim, and Rab'bah; two cities with their villages:

61 In the wilderness, Beth-ar'a-bah, Mid'din, and Sec'a-cah,

62 And Nib'shan, and the city of Salt, and En-ge'di; six cities with their villages.

63 As for the Jeb'u-sites the inhabitants of Je-ru'sa-lem, the children of Ju'dah could not drive them out: but the Jeb'u-sites dwell with the children of Ju'dah at Je-ru'sa-lem to this day.

## CHAPTER 16

**A**ND the lot of the children of Jo'seph fell from Jor'dan by Jer'i-cho, to the water of Jer'i-cho on the east, to the wilderness that goes up from Jer'i-cho throughout mount Beth'-el,

2 And goes out from Beth'-el <sup>went</sup> to Luz, and passes along to the borders of Ar'chi to At'a-roth,

3 And goes down westward to the coast of Japh-le'ti, to the coast of Beth-ho'ron the nether, and to Ge'zer: and the goings out thereof are at the sea.

lower - i.e. borders

4 So the children of Jo'seph, Manas'seh and E'phra-im, took their inheritance.

5 And the border of the children of E'phra-im according to their families was *thus*: even the border of their inheritance on the east side was At'a-roth-ad'dar, to Beth-ho'ron the upper;

6 And the border went out toward the sea to Mich'me-thah on the north side; and the border went about eastward to Ta'a-nath-shi'loh, and passed by it on the east to Ja-no'hah;

i.e. westward at

7 And it went down from Ja-no'hah to At'a-roth, and to Na'a-rath, and came to Jer'i-cho, and went out at Jor'dan.

8 The border went out from Tap'pu-ah westward to the river Ka'nah; and the goings out thereof were at the sea.

This *is* the inheritance of the tribe of the children of E'phra-im by their families.

i.e. borders

9 And the separate cities for the children of E'phra-im *were* among the inheritance of the children of Manas'seh, all the cities with their villages.

10 And they drove not out the Ca'naan-ites that dwelled in Ge'zer: but the Ca'naan-ites dwell among the E'phra-im-ites to this day, and serve under tribute.

i.e. as forced laborers

## CHAPTER 17

**T**HERE was also a lot for the tribe of Ma-nas'seh; for he *was* the first-born of Jo'seph; *that is*, for Ma'chir the firstborn of Ma-nas'seh, the father of Gil'e-ad: because he was a man of war, therefore he had Gil'e-ad and Ba'shan.

i.e. great soldier

2 There was also a lot for the rest of the children of Ma-nas'seh by their families; for the children of A-bi-e'zer, and for the children of He'lek, and for the children of As'ri-el, and for the children of She'chem, and for the children of He'pher, and for the children of She-mi'da: these *were* the male children of Ma-nas'seh the son of Jo'seph by their families.

3 But Ze-lo'phe-had, the son of He'pher, the son of Gil'e-ad, the son of Ma'chir, the son of Ma-nas'seh, had no sons, but daughters: and these *are* the names of his daughters, Mah'lah, and No'ah, Hog'lah, Mil'cah, and Tir'zah.

4 And they came near before E-le-a'zar the priest, and before Josh'u-a the son of Nun, and before the princes, saying, The LORD commanded Mo'ses to give us an inheritance among our brethren. Therefore according to the commandment of the LORD he gave them an inheritance among the brethren of their father. Je-

hovah<sup>st</sup> - share

5 And there fell ten portions to Ma-

nas'seh, beside the land of Gil'e-ad and Ba'shan, which were on the other side Jor'dan;

6 Because the daughters of Ma-nas'seh had an inheritance among his sons; and the rest of Ma-nas'seh's sons had the land of Gil'e-ad.

7 And the coast of Ma-nas'seh was from Ash'er to Mich'me-thah, that lies before She'chem; and the border went along on the right hand to the inhabitants of En-tap pu-ah.<sup>territory - was</sup>

8 Now Ma-nas'seh had the land of Tap pu-ah; but Tap pu-ah on the border of Ma-nas'seh belonged to the children of E'phra-im;

9 And the coast descended to the river Ka'nah, southward of the river; these cities of E'phra-im are among the cities of Ma-nas'seh: the coast of Ma-nas'seh also was on the north side of the river, and the outgoings of it were at the sea:

10 Southward it was E'phra-im's, and northward it was Ma-nas'seh's, and the sea is his border; and they met together in Ash'er on the north, and in Is'sa-char on the east.<sup>boundary</sup>

11 And Ma-nas'seh had in Is'sa-char and in Ash'er Beth-she'an and her towns, and Ib'le-am and her towns, and the inhabitants of Dor and her towns, and the inhabitants of En'dor and her towns, and the inhabitants of Ta'a-nach and her towns, and the inhabitants of Me-gid'do and her towns, even three countries.

12 Yet the children of Ma-nas'seh could not drive out the inhabitants of those cities; but the Ca'naan-ites would dwell in that land.

13 Yet it came to pass, when the children of Is'ra-el were waxed strong, that they put the Ca'naan-ites to tribute; but did not utterly drive them out.

14 And the children of Jo seph spoke to Josh'u-a, saying, Why have you given me but one lot and one portion to inherit, seeing I am a great people, forasmuch as the LORD has blessed me until now?<sup>grew - forced labor</sup>

15 And Josh'u-a answered them, If you be a great people, then get you up to the wood country, and cut down for yourself there in the land of the Per'iz-zites and of the giants, if mount E'phra-im be too narrow for you.<sup>small</sup>

16 And the children of Jo seph said, The hill is not enough for us: and all the Ca'naan-ites that dwell in the land of the valley have chariots of iron, both they who are of Beth-she'an and her towns, and they who are of the valley of Jez're-el.

17 And Josh'u-a spoke to the house of Jo seph, even to E'phra-im and to Ma-nas'seh, saying, You are a great people, and have great power: you shall not have one lot only:<sup>allotment</sup>

18 But the mountain shall be yours; for it is a wood, and you shall cut it down; and the outgoings of it shall be yours; for you shall drive out the Ca'naan-ites, though they have iron chariots, and though they be strong.<sup>forest - borders</sup>

## CHAPTER 18

AND the whole congregation of the children of Is'ra-el assembled together at Shi'loh, and set up the tabernacle of the congregation there. And the land was subdued before them.

2 And there remained among the children of Is'ra-el seven tribes, which had not yet received their inheritance.

3 And Josh'u-a said to the children of Is'ra-el, How long are you slack to go to possess the land, which the LORD God of your fathers has given you?

4 Give out from among you three men for each tribe: and I will send them, and they shall rise, and go through the land, and describe it according to the inheritance of them; and they shall come again to me.

5 And they shall divide it into seven parts; Ju'dah shall abide in their coast on the south, and the house of Jo seph shall abide in their coasts on the north.<sup>diagram</sup>

6 You shall therefore describe the land into seven parts, and bring the description here to me, that I may cast lots for you here before the LORD our God.<sup>its territory</sup>

7 But the Le'vites have no part among you; for the priesthood of the LORD is their inheritance; and Gad, and Reu'ben, and half the tribe of Ma-nas'seh, have received their inheritance beyond Jor'dan on the east, which Mo'ses the servant of the LORD gave them.<sup>diagram - Jehovah<sup>st</sup> - Elohim<sup>st</sup></sup>

8 And the men arose, and went away: and Josh'u-a charged them that went to describe the land, saying, Go and walk through the land, and describe it, and come again to me, that I may here cast lots for you before the LORD in Shi'loh.<sup>Jehovah<sup>st</sup></sup>

9 And the men went and passed through the land, and described it by cities into seven parts in a book, and came again to Josh'u-a to the host at Shi'loh.<sup>commanded - diagram - Jehovah<sup>st</sup></sup>

10 And Josh'u-a cast lots for them in Shi'loh before the LORD; and there Josh'u-a divided the land to the chil-<sup>diagramed - divisions - scroll</sup>

dren of Is'ra-el according to their divisions.

<sup>Jehovah<sup>cf.</sup> - family groups</sup>  
 11 And the lot of the tribe of the children of Ben'ja-min came up according to their families: and the coast of their lot came forth between the children of Ju'dah and the children of Jo'seph.

<sup>territory</sup>  
 12 And their border on the north side was from Jor'dan; and the border went up to the side of Jer'i-cho on the north side, and went up through the mountains westward; and the goings out thereof were at the wilderness of Beth-a-ven.

<sup>i.e. its outer limits</sup>  
 13 And the border went over from there toward Luz, to the side of Luz, which is Beth'-el, southward; and the border descended to At'a-roth-a'dar, near the hill that *lies* on the south side of the nether Beth-ho'ron.

<sup>lower</sup>  
 14 And the border was drawn from there, and compassed the corner of the sea southward, from the hill that *lies* before Beth-ho'ron southward; and the goings out thereof were at Kir'jath-ba'al, which is Kir'jath-je'a-rim, a city of the children of Ju'dah: this was the west quarter.

<sup>encompassed, went around - side</sup>  
 15 And the south quarter was from the end of Kir'jath-je'a-rim, and the border went out on the west, and went out to the well of waters of Neph'to-ah:

16 And the border came down to the end of the mountain that *lies* before the valley of the son of Hin'nom, and which is in the valley of the giants on the north, and descended to the valley of Hin'nom, to the side of Je-bu'si on the south, and descended to En-ro'gel.

17 And was drawn from the north, and went forth to En-she'mesh, and went forth toward Gel'i-loth, which is opposite the going up of A-dum'mim, and descended to the stone of Bo'han the son of Reu'ben,

<sup>extended - the ascent - marker</sup>  
 18 And passed along toward the side over against Ar'a-bah northward, and went down to Ar'a-bah:

19 And the border passed along to the side of Beth-hog'lah northward; and the outgoings of the border were at the north bay of the Salt sea at the south end of Jor'dan: this was the south coast.

<sup>limits - i.e. Dead</sup>  
 20 And Jor'dan was the border of it on the east side. This was the inheritance of the children of Ben'ja-min, by the coasts thereof round about, according to their families.

<sup>boundaries</sup>  
 21 Now the cities of the tribe of the children of Ben'ja-min according to their families were Jer'i-cho, and Beth-hog'lah, and the valley of Ke'ziz,

22 And Beth-ar'a-bah, and Zem-ara'im, and Beth'-el,

23 And A'vim, and Pa'rah, and Oph'rah,

24 And Che'phar-ha-am'mo-nai, and Oph'ni, and Ga'ba; twelve cities with their villages:

25 Gib'e-on, and Ra'mah, and Be'er-oth,

26 And Miz-peh, and Che-phi'rah, and Mo'zah,

27 And Re'kem, and Ir'pe-el, and Tar'a-lah,

28 And Ze'lah, E'leph, and Je-bu'si, which is Je-ru'sa-lem, Gib'e-ath, and Kir'jath; fourteen cities with their villages. This is the inheritance of the children of Ben'ja-min according to their families.

## CHAPTER 19

**A**ND the second lot came forth to Sim'e-on, *even* for the tribe of the children of Sim'e-on according to their families; and their inheritance was within the inheritance of the children of Ju'dah.

2 And they had in their inheritance Be'er-she'ba, or She'ba, and Mol'a-dah,

3 And Ha'zar-shu'al, and Ba'lah, and A'zem,

4 And El'to-lad, and Be'thul, and Hor'mah,

5 And Zik'lag, and Beth-mar'ca-both, and Ha'zar-su'sah,

6 And Beth-leb'a-oth, and Sha-ru'hen; thirteen cities and their villages:

7 A'in, Rem'mon, and E'ther, and A'shan; four cities and their villages:

8 And all the villages that *were* round about these cities to Ba'al-ath-be'er, Ra'math of the south. This is the inheritance of the tribe of the children of Sim'e-on according to their families.

9 Out of the portion of the children of Ju'dah was the inheritance of the children of Sim'e-on: for the part of the children of Ju'dah was too much for them: therefore the children of Sim'e-on had their inheritance within the inheritance of them.

10 And the third lot came up for the children of Zeb'u-lun according to their families: and the border of their inheritance was to Sa'rid:

<sup>territory - i.e. land</sup>  
 11 And their border went up toward the sea, and Mar'a-lah, and reached to Dab'ba-sheth, and reached to the river that is before Jok'ne-am;

12 And turned from Sa'rid eastward toward the sunrising to the border of Chis'loth-ta'bor, and then goes out

to Dab'e-rath, and goes up to Japhi'a,

13 And from there passes on along on the east to Git'tah-he'pher, to It'tah-ka'zin, and goes out to Rem'mon-meth'o-ar to Ne-ah;

14 And the border compasses it on the north side to Han'na-thon: and the outgoings thereof are in the valley of Jiph'thah-el;

15 And Kat'tah, and Na-hal'lal, and Shim'ron, and I-da'lah, and Beth'lehem: twelve cities with their villages.

16 This *is* the inheritance of the children of Zeb'u-lun according to their families, these cities with their villages.

17 And the fourth lot came out to Is'sa-char, for the children of Is'sa-char according to their families.

18 And their border was toward Jez're-el, and Che-sul'loth, and Shu'nem,

19 And Haph-ra'im, and Shi'hon, and An-a-ha'rath,

20 And Rab'bith, and Kish'i-on, and A'bez,

21 And Re'meth, and En-gan'nim, and En-had'dah, and Beth-paz'zez;

22 And the coast reaches to Ta'bor, and Sha-haz'i-mah, and Beth-she'mesh; and the outgoings of their border were at Jor'dan: sixteen cities with their villages.

23 This *is* the inheritance of the tribe of the children of Is'sa-char according to their families, the cities and their villages.

24 And the fifth lot came out for the tribe of the children of Ash'er according to their families.

25 And their border was Hel'kath, and Ha'li, and Be'ten, and Ach'shaph,

26 And A-lam'me-lech, and A'mad, and Mi'she-al; and reaches to Car'mel westward, and to Shi'hor-lib'nath;

27 And turns toward the sunrise to Beth-da'gon, and reaches to Zeb'u-lun, and to the valley of Jiph'thah-el toward the north side of Beth'e'mek, and Ne'i-el, and goes out to Ca'bul on the left hand,

28 And He'bron, and Re'hob, and Ham'mon, and Ka'nah, *even* to great Zi'don;

29 And *then* the coast turns to Ra'mah, and to the strong city Tyre; and the coast turns to Ho'sah; and the outgoings thereof are at the sea from the coast to Ach'zib;

30 Um'mah also, and A'phek, and Re'hob: twenty and two cities with their villages.

31 This *is* the inheritance of the tribe of the children of Ash'er according to

their families, these cities with their villages.

32 The sixth lot came out to the children of Naph'ta-li, *even* for the children of Naph'ta-li according to their families.

33 And their coast was from He'leph, from Al'lon to Za-a-nan'nim, and Ad'a-mi, Ne'keb, and Jab'ne-el, to La'kum; and the outgoings thereof were at Jor'dan:

34 And *then* the coast turns westward to Az'noth-ta'bor, and goes out from there to Huk'kok, and reaches to Zeb'u-lun on the south side, and reaches to Ash'er on the west side, and to Ju'dah upon Jor'dan toward the sunrising.

35 And the fenced cities *are* Zid'dim, Zer, and Ham'math, Rak'kath, and Chin'ne-reth,

36 And Ad'a-mah, and Ra'mah, and Ha'zor,

37 And Ke'desh, and Ed're-i, and En-ha'zor,

38 And I'ron, and Mig'dal-el, Ho'rem, and Beth-a'nath, and Beth-she'mesh; nineteen cities with their villages.

39 This *is* the inheritance of the tribe of the children of Naph'ta-li according to their families, the cities and their villages.

40 And the seventh lot came out for the tribe of the children of Dan according to their families.

41 And the coast of their inheritance was Zo'rah, and Esh'ta-ol, and Ir-she'mesh,

42 And Sha-al-ab'bin, and Aj'a-lon, and Jeth'lah,

43 And E'lon, and Thim'na-thah, and Ek'ron,

44 And El'te-keh, and Gib'be-thon, and Ba'al-ath,

45 And Je'hud, and Ben'e-be'rak, and Gath-rim'mon,

46 And Me-jar'kon, and Rak'kon, with the border before Ja'pho.

47 And the coast of the children of Dan went out *too little* for them: therefore the children of Dan went up to fight against Le'shem, and took it, and smote it with the edge of the sword, and possessed it, and dwelled therein, and called Le'shem, Dan, after the name of Dan their father.

48 This is the inheritance of the tribe of the children of Dan according to their families, these cities with their villages.

49 When they had made an end of dividing the land for inheritance by their coasts, the children of Is'ra-el gave an inheritance to Josh'u-a the son of Nun among them: finished apportioning - by its borders

50 According to the word of the LORD they gave him the city which he asked, *even* Tim'nath-se rah in mount E'phra-im: and he built the city, and dwelled therein.

51 These *are* the inheritances, <sup>Jehovah<sup>cf</sup></sup> which E-le-a'zar the priest, and Josh'u-a the son of Nun, and the heads of the fathers of the tribes of the children of Is'ra-el, divided for an inheritance by lot in Shi'loh before the LORD, at the door of the tabernacle of the congregation. So they made an end of dividing the country. <sup>Jehovah<sup>cf</sup></sup>

## CHAPTER 20

**T**HE LORD also spoke to Josh'u-a, <sup>saying,</sup>

2 Speak to the children of Is'ra-el, saying, Appoint out for you' cities of refuge, whereof I spoke to you' by the hand of Mo'ses:

3 That the slayer that kills *any* person unawares and unwittingly may flee there: and they shall be your' refuge from the avenger of blood.

<sup>i.e. designate the</sup>  
<sup>unintentionally - without premeditation</sup>

4 And when he that does flee to one of those cities shall stand at the entering of the gate of the city, and shall declare his cause in the ears of the elders of that city, they shall take him into the city to them, and give him a place, that he may dwell among them.

5 And if the avenger of blood pursue after him, then they shall not deliver the slayer up into his hand; because he smote his neighbor unwittingly, and hated him not beforetime.

<sup>state his case</sup>  
<sup>without premeditation - without malice</sup>

6 And he shall dwell in that city, until he stand before the congregation for judgment, and until the death of the high priest that shall be in those days: then shall the slayer return, and come to his own city, and to his own house, to the city from where he fled.

7 And they appointed Ke'desh in Gal'i-lee in mount Naph'ta-li, and She'chem in mount E'phra-im, and Kir'jath-ar'ba, which *is* He'bron, in the mountain of Ju'dah.

8 And on the other side Jor'dan by Jer'i-cho eastward, they assigned Be'zer in the wilderness upon the plain out of the tribe of Reu'ben, and Ra'moth in Gil'e-ad out of the tribe of Gad, and Go'lan in Ba'shan out of the tribe of Ma-nas'seh.

9 These were the cities appointed for all the children of Is'ra-el, and for the stranger that sojourns among them, that whosoever kills *any* person at un-

awares might flee there, and not die by the hand of the avenger of blood, until he stood before the congregation.

<sup>alien - lives temporarily - by accident</sup>

## CHAPTER 21

**T**HEN came near heads of the fathers of the Le'vites to E-le-a'zar the priest, and to Josh'u-a the son of Nun, and to the heads of the fathers of the tribes of the children of Is'ra-el: <sup>leaders</sup>

2 And they spoke to them at Shi'loh in the land of Ca'naan, saying, The LORD commanded by the hand of Mo'ses to give us cities to dwell in, with the suburbs thereof for our cattle. <sup>pasture lands</sup>

3 And the children of Is'ra-el gave to the Le'vites out of their inheritance, at the commandment of the LORD, these cities and their suburbs. <sup>Jehovah<sup>cf</sup></sup>

4 And the lot came out for the families of the Ko'hath-ites: and the children of Aar'on the priest, *which were* of the Le'vites, had by lot out of the tribe of Ju'dah, and out of the tribe of Sim'e-on, and out of the tribe of Ben'ja-min, thirteen cities. <sup>share</sup>

5 And the rest of the children of Ko'hath *had* by lot out of the families of the tribe of E'phra-im, and out of the tribe of Dan, and out of the half tribe of Ma-nas'seh, ten cities.

6 And the children of Ger'shon *had* by lot out of the families of the tribe of Is'sa-char, and out of the tribe of Ash'er, and out of the tribe of Naph'ta'li, and out of the half tribe of Ma-nas'seh in Ba'shan, thirteen cities.

7 The children of Me-ra'ri by their families *had* out of the tribe of Reu'ben, and out of the tribe of Gad, and out of the tribe of Zeb'u-lun, twelve cities.

8 And the children of Is'ra-el gave by lot to the Le'vites these cities with their suburbs, as the LORD commanded by the hand of Mo'ses. <sup>pasture lands - Jehovah<sup>cf</sup></sup>

9 And they gave out of the tribe of the children of Ju'dah, and out of the tribe of the children of Sim'e-on, these cities which are *here mentioned* by name. <sup>called</sup>

10 Which the children of Aar'on, *being* of the families of the Ko'hath-ites, *who were* of the children of Le'vi, had: for theirs was the first lot.

11 And they gave them the city of Ar'ba the father of A'nak, which *city is* He'bron, in the hill *country* of Ju'dah, with the suburbs thereof round about it.

12 But the fields of the city, and the villages thereof, gave they to Ca'leb the son of Je-phun'neh for his possession.

13 Thus they gave to the children of

Aar' on the priest He'bron with her suburbs, *to be* a city of refuge for the slayer; and Lib'nah with her suburbs,  
 14 And Jat'tir with her suburbs, and Esh-te-mo'a with her suburbs,  
 15 And Ho'lon with her suburbs, and De'bir with her suburbs,  
 16 And A'in with her suburbs,<sup>pasture lands</sup> and Jut'tah with her suburbs, and Beth-she mesh with her suburbs; nine cities out of those two tribes.<sup>pasture lands</sup>  
 17 And out of the tribe of Ben ja-min, Gib'e-on with her suburbs, Ge'ba with her suburbs,  
 18 An'a-thoth with her suburbs, and Al'mon with her suburbs; four cities.  
 19 All the cities of the children of Aar'on, the priests, were thirteen cities with their suburbs.  
 20 And the families of the children of Ko'hath, the Le'vites which remained of the children of Ko'hath, even they had the cities of their lot out of the tribe of E'phra-im.<sup>share</sup>  
 21 For they gave them She'chem with her suburbs in mount E'phra-im, *to be* a city of refuge for the slayer; and Ge'zer with her suburbs,  
 22 And Kib'za-im with her suburbs,<sup>protection</sup> and Beth-ho'ron with her suburbs; four cities.<sup>pasture lands</sup>  
 23 And out of the tribe of Dan, El'tekel with her suburbs, Gib'bethon with her suburbs,  
 24 Aij'a-lon with her suburbs, Gath-rim'mon with her suburbs; four cities.  
 25 And out of the half tribe of Manas'seh, Ta'nach with her suburbs, and Gath-rim'mon with her suburbs; two cities.  
 26 All the cities were ten with their suburbs for the families of the children of Ko'hath that remained.  
 27 And to the children of Ger'shon, of the families of the Le'vites, out of the *other* half tribe of Manas'seh *they gave* Go'lan in Ba'shan with her suburbs, *to be* a city of refuge for the slayer; and Be-esh-te-rah with her suburbs; two cities.<sup>pasture lands</sup>  
 28 And out of the tribe of Is'sa-char, Ki'shon with her suburbs, Dab'a-reh with her suburbs,  
 29 Jar'muth with her suburbs, Engannim with her suburbs; four cities.  
 30 And out of the tribe of Ash'er, Mi'shal with her suburbs, Ab'don with her suburbs,  
 31 Hel'kath with her suburbs, and Re'hob with her suburbs; four cities.  
 32 And out of the tribe of Naph'tali, Ke'desh in Gal'i-lee with her suburbs, *to be* a city of refuge for the slayer; and Ham'moth-dor with her suburbs, and Kar'tan with her suburbs; three cities.

33 All the cities of the Ger'shon-ites according to their families were thirteen cities with their suburbs.

34 And to the families of the children of Me-ra'ri, the rest of the Le'vites, out of the tribe of Zeb'u-lun, Jok'neam with her suburbs, and Kar'tah with her suburbs,<sup>pasture lands</sup>  
 35 Dim'nah with her suburbs, Na'hallal with her suburbs; four cities.

36 And out of the tribe of Reu'ben, Be'zer with her suburbs, and Jahazah with her suburbs,  
 37 Ked'e-moth with her suburbs, and Meph'a-ath with her suburbs; four cities.

38 And out of the tribe of Gad, Ramoth in Gil'e-ad with her suburbs, *to be* a city of refuge for the slayer; and Ma-ha-naim with her suburbs,<sup>protection</sup>

39 Hesh'bon with her suburbs, Ja'zer with her suburbs; four cities in all.<sup>pasture lands</sup>

40 So all the cities for the children of Me-ra'ri by their families, which were remaining of the families of the Le'vites, were *by* their lot twelve cities.

41 All the cities of the Le'vites within the possession of the children of Is'ra-el were forty and eight cities with their suburbs.<sup>pasture lands</sup>

42 These cities were every one with their suburbs round about them: thus were all these cities.

43 And the LORD gave to Is'ra-el all the land which He swore to give to their fathers; and they possessed it, and dwelled therein.<sup>Jehovah<sup>cf</sup></sup>

44 And the LORD gave them rest round about, according to all that He swore to their fathers; and there stood not a man of all their enemies before them; the LORD delivered all their enemies into their hand.<sup>Jehovah<sup>cf</sup></sup>

45 There failed nothing of any good thing which the LORD had spoken to the house of Is'ra-el; all came to pass.

## CHAPTER 22

**T**HEN Josh'u-a called the Reu'ben-ites, and the Gad'ites, and the half tribe of Ma-nas'seh,

2 And said to them, You<sup>p</sup> have kept all that Mo'ses the servant of the LORD commanded you<sup>p</sup>, and have obeyed my voice in all that I commanded you<sup>p</sup>;<sup>done - Jehovah<sup>cf</sup></sup>

3 You<sup>p</sup> have not left your<sup>p</sup> brethren these many days to this day, but have kept the charge of the commandment of the LORD your<sup>p</sup> God,<sup>carried out the mission</sup>

4 And now the LORD your<sup>p</sup> God has given rest to your<sup>p</sup> brethren, as he promised them: therefore now return

you<sup>r</sup>, and get you<sup>r</sup> to your<sup>r</sup> tents, *and* to the land of your<sup>r</sup> possession, which Mo'ses the servant of the LORD gave you<sup>r</sup> on the other side of Jor'dan.

5 But take diligent heed to do the commandment and the law, which Mo'ses the servant of the LORD charged you<sup>r</sup>, to love the LORD your God, and to walk in all His ways, and to keep His commandments, and to cling to Him, and to serve Him with all your<sup>r</sup> heart and with all your<sup>r</sup> soul.

6 So Josh'u-a blessed them, <sup>Jehovah<sup>st</sup> - Elohim<sup>st</sup> - being</sup> and sent them away: and they went to their tents.

7 Now to the *one* half of the tribe of Ma-nas'seh Mo'ses had given possession in Ba'shan: but to the *other* half thereof gave Josh'u-a among their brethren on this side Jor'dan westward. And when Josh'u-a sent them away also to their tents, then he blessed them,

8 And he spoke to them, saying, <sup>land</sup> Return with much riches to your<sup>r</sup> tents, and with very much cattle, with silver, and with gold, and with brass, and with iron, and with very much raiment: divide the spoil of your<sup>r</sup> enemies with your<sup>r</sup> brethren.

9 And the children of Reu'ben and the children of Gad and the half tribe of Ma-nas'seh returned, and departed from the children of Is'ra-el out of Shi'loh, which *is* in the land of Ca'naan, to go to the country of Gil'e-ad, to the land of their possession, whereof they were possessed, according to the word of the LORD by the hand of Mo'ses. <sup>had acquired - Jehovah<sup>st</sup></sup>

10 And when they came to the borders of Jor'dan, that *are* in the land of Ca'naan, the children of Reu'ben and the children of Gad and the half tribe of Ma-nas'seh built there an altar by Jor'dan, a great altar to see to.

11 And the children of Is'ra-el <sup>in appearance</sup> heard say, Behold, the children of Reu'ben and the children of Gad and the half tribe of Ma-nas'seh have built an altar opposite the land of Ca'naan, in the borders of Jor'dan, at the passage of the children of Is'ra-el.

12 And when the children of Is'ra-el heard of *it*, the whole congregation of the children of Is'ra-el <sup>heard it said</sup> gathered themselves together at Shi'loh, to go up to war against them.

13 And the children of Is'ra-el sent to the children of Reu'ben, and to the children of Gad, and to the half tribe of Ma-nas'seh, into the land of Gil'e-

ad, Phin'e-has the son of E-le-a'zar the priest.

14 And with him ten princes, of each chief house a prince throughout all the tribes of Is'ra-el; and each one *was* a head of the house of their fathers among the thousands of Is'ra-el.

15 And they came to the children of Reu'ben, and to the children of Gad, and to the half tribe of Ma-nas'seh, to the land of Gil'e-ad, and they spoke with them, saying,

16 Thus says the whole congregation of the LORD, What trespass *is* this that you<sup>r</sup> have committed against the God of Is'ra-el, to turn away this day from following the LORD, in that you<sup>r</sup> have built you<sup>r</sup> an altar, that you<sup>r</sup> might rebel this day against the LORD?

17 *Is* the iniquity of Pe'or too little for us, from which we are not cleansed until this day, although there was a plague in the congregation of the LORD,

18 But that you<sup>r</sup> must turn away this day from following the LORD? and it will be, *seeing* you<sup>r</sup> rebel to day against the LORD, that tomorrow He will be angry with the whole congregation of Is'ra-el.

19 Notwithstanding, if the land of your<sup>r</sup> possession *be* unclean, then pass you<sup>r</sup> over to the land of the possession of the LORD, wherein the LORD's tabernacle dwells, and take possession among us: but rebel not against the LORD, nor rebel against us, in building you<sup>r</sup> an altar beside the altar of the LORD our God.

20 Did not A'chan the son of Ze'rah commit a trespass in the accursed thing, and wrath fell on all the congregation of Is'ra-el? and that man rebelled not alone in his iniquity.

21 Then the children of Reu'ben and the children of Gad and the half tribe of Ma-nas'seh answered, and said to the heads of the thousands of Is'ra-el,

22 The LORD God of gods, the LORD God of gods, He knows, and Is'ra-el He shall know; if *it be* in rebellion, or if in transgression against the LORD, (save us not this day),

23 That we have built us an altar to turn from following the LORD, or if to offer thereon burned offering or meat offering, or if to offer peace offerings thereon, let the LORD himself require *it*;

24 And if we have not *rather* done it for fear of *this* thing, saying, In time to come your<sup>r</sup> children might speak to our

children, saying, What have you<sup>r</sup> to do with the LORD God of Is'ra-el?

25 For the LORD <sup>i.e. concern - Jehovah<sup>st</sup> - Elohim<sup>st</sup></sup> has made Jor'dan a border between us and you<sup>r</sup>, you<sup>r</sup> children of Reu'ben and children of Gad; you<sup>r</sup> have no part in the LORD: so shall you<sup>r</sup> children make our children cease from fearing the LORD. <sup>Jehovah<sup>st</sup> - i.e. respecting</sup>

26 Therefore we said, Let us now prepare to build us an altar, not for burned offering, nor for sacrifice:

27 But *that it may be* a witness between us, and you<sup>r</sup>, and our generations after us, that we might do the service of the LORD before Him with our burned offerings, and with our sacrifices, and with our peace offerings; that your<sup>r</sup> children may not say to our children in time to come, You<sup>r</sup> have no part in the LORD. <sup>Jehovah<sup>st</sup> - share</sup>

28 Therefore said we, that it shall be, when they should *so* say to us or to our generations in time to come, that we may say *again*, Behold the pattern of the altar of the LORD, which our fathers made, not for burned offerings, nor for sacrifices; but it is a witness between us and you<sup>r</sup>.

29 God forbid that we should rebel against the LORD, and turn this day from following the LORD, to build an altar for burned offerings, for meat offerings, or for sacrifices, beside the altar of the LORD our God that is before His tabernacle. <sup>Elohim<sup>st</sup> - Jehovah<sup>st</sup> - grain</sup>

30 And when Phin'e-has the priest, and the princes of the congregation and heads of the thousands of Is'ra-el which *were* with him, heard the words that the children of Reu'ben and the children of Gad and the children of Ma-nas'eh spoke, it pleased them.

31 And Phin'e-has the son of E-le-a-zar the priest said to the children of Reu'ben, and to the children of Gad, and to the children of Ma-nas'eh, This day we perceive that the LORD is among us, because you<sup>r</sup> have not committed this trespass against the LORD: now you<sup>r</sup> have delivered the children of Is'ra-el out of the hand of the LORD.

32 And Phin'e-has the son of E-le-a-zar the priest, and the princes, returned from the children of Reu'ben, and from the children of Gad, out of the land of Gil'e-ad, to the land of Ca'naan, to the children of Is'ra-el, and brought them word again.

33 And the thing pleased the children of Is'ra-el; and the children of Is'ra-el blessed God, and did not intend to go up against them in battle, to destroy the land wherein the children of Reu'ben and Gad dwelled.

34 And the children of Reu'ben and the children of Gad called the altar Ed: for it *shall be* a witness between us that the LORD is God. Witness

## CHAPTER 23

**A**ND it came to pass a long time after that the LORD had given rest to Is'ra-el from all their enemies round about, that Josh'u-a waxed old and stricken in age. <sup>Jehovah<sup>st</sup> - grew</sup>

2 And Josh'u-a called for all Is'ra-el, and for their elders, and for their heads, and for their judges, and for their officers, and said to them, I am old and stricken in age:

3 And you<sup>r</sup> have seen all that the LORD your<sup>r</sup> God has done to all these nations because of you<sup>r</sup>; for the LORD your<sup>r</sup> God is He that has fought for you<sup>r</sup>. <sup>Jehovah<sup>st</sup> - Elohim<sup>st</sup></sup>

4 Behold, I have divided to you<sup>r</sup> by lot these nations that remain, to be an inheritance for your<sup>r</sup> tribes, from Jor'dan, with all the nations that I have cut off, even to the Great Sea westward. <sup>destroyed - i.e. Mediterranean</sup>

5 And the LORD your<sup>r</sup> God, He shall expel them from before you<sup>r</sup>, and drive them from out of your<sup>r</sup> sight; and you<sup>r</sup> shall possess their land, as the LORD your<sup>r</sup> God has promised to you<sup>r</sup>.

6 Be you<sup>r</sup> therefore very courageous to keep and to do all that is written in the book of the law of Mo'ses, that you<sup>r</sup> turn not aside therefrom to the right hand or to the left;

7 That you<sup>r</sup> come not among these nations, these that remain among you<sup>r</sup>; neither make mention of the name of their gods, nor cause to *swear by* them, neither serve them, nor bow yourselves<sup>r</sup> to them: <sup>promise</sup>

8 But cling to the LORD your<sup>r</sup> God, as you<sup>r</sup> have done to this day. <sup>Jehovah<sup>st</sup> - Elohim<sup>st</sup></sup>

9 For the LORD has driven out from before you<sup>r</sup> great nations and strong: but *as for* you<sup>r</sup>, no man has been able to stand before you<sup>r</sup> to this day, withstand

10 One man of you<sup>r</sup> shall chase a thousand: for the LORD your<sup>r</sup> God, He *it is* that fights for you<sup>r</sup>, as He has promised you<sup>r</sup>.

11 Take good heed therefore to yourselves<sup>r</sup>, that you<sup>r</sup> love the LORD your<sup>r</sup> God. <sup>Jehovah<sup>st</sup> - Elohim<sup>st</sup></sup>

12 Else if you<sup>r</sup> do in any wise go back, and cling to the remnant of these nations, *even* these that remain among you<sup>r</sup>, and shall make marriages with them, and *go in* to them, and they to you<sup>r</sup>: <sup>i.e. associate with</sup>

13 Know for a certainty that the LORD

your GOD will no more drive out *any* of these nations from before you<sup>r</sup>; but they shall be snares and traps to you<sup>r</sup>, and scourges in your<sup>r</sup> sides, and thorns in your<sup>r</sup> eyes, until you<sup>r</sup> perish from off this good land which the LORD your<sup>r</sup> GOD has given you<sup>r</sup>.

14 And, behold, this day I am going the way of all the earth; and you<sup>r</sup> know in all your<sup>r</sup> hearts and in all your<sup>r</sup> souls, that not one thing has failed of all the good things which the LORD your<sup>r</sup> GOD spoke concerning you<sup>r</sup>; all are come to pass to you<sup>r</sup>, and not one thing has failed thereof.

15 Therefore it shall come to pass, that as all good things are come upon you<sup>r</sup>, which the LORD your<sup>r</sup> GOD promised you<sup>r</sup>; so shall the LORD bring upon you<sup>r</sup> all evil things, until He have destroyed you<sup>r</sup> from off this good land which the LORD your<sup>r</sup> GOD has given you<sup>r</sup>.

16 When you<sup>r</sup> have transgressed the covenant of the LORD your<sup>r</sup> GOD, which He commanded you<sup>r</sup>, and have gone and served other gods, and bowed yourselves<sup>r</sup> to them; then shall the anger of the LORD be kindled against you<sup>r</sup>, and you<sup>r</sup> shall perish quickly from off the good land which He has given to you<sup>r</sup>.

## CHAPTER 24

**A**ND Josh'u-a gathered all the tribes of Is'ra-el to She'chem, and called for the elders of Is'ra-el, and for their heads, and for their judges, and for their officers; and they presented themselves before GOD.

2 And Josh'u-a said to all the people, Thus says the LORD GOD of Is'ra-el, Your<sup>r</sup> fathers dwelled on the other side of the flood in old time, even Te'rah, the father of A'bra-ham, and the father of Na'chor; and they served other gods.

3 And I took your<sup>r</sup> father A'bra-ham from the other side of the flood, and led him throughout all the land of Ca'naan, and multiplied his seed, and gave him I'saac.

4 And I gave to I'saac Ja'cob and E'sau; and I gave to E'sau mount Se'ir, to possess it; but Ja'cob and his children went down into E'gypt.

5 I sent Mo'ses also and Aar'on, and I plagued E'gypt, according to that which I did among them: and afterward I brought you<sup>r</sup> out.

6 And I brought your<sup>r</sup> fathers out of E'gypt; and you<sup>r</sup> came to the sea; and the E-gyp'tians pursued after your<sup>r</sup> fa-

thers with chariots and horsemen to the Red sea.

7 And when they cried to the LORD, he put darkness between you<sup>r</sup> and the E-gyp'tians, and brought the sea upon them, and covered them; and your<sup>r</sup> eyes have seen what I have done in E'gypt: and you<sup>r</sup> dwelled in the wilderness a long season.

8 And I brought you<sup>r</sup> into the land of the Am'or-ites, which dwelled on the other side Jor'dan; and they fought with you<sup>r</sup>; and I gave them into your<sup>r</sup> hand, that you<sup>r</sup> might possess their land; and I destroyed them from before you<sup>r</sup>.

9 Then Ba'lak the son of Zip'por, king of Mo'ab, arose and warred against Is'ra-el, and sent and called Ba'laam the son of Be'or to curse you<sup>r</sup>:

10 But I would not hearken to Ba'laam; therefore he blessed you<sup>r</sup> still: so I delivered you<sup>r</sup> out of his hand.

11 And you<sup>r</sup> went over Jor'dan, and came to Jer'i-cho; and the men of Jer'i-cho fought against you<sup>r</sup>, the Am'or-ites, and the Per'iz-zites, and the Ca'naan-ites, and the Hit'tites, and the Gir'ga-shites, the Hi'vites, and the Jeb'u-sites; and I delivered them into your<sup>r</sup> hand.

12 And I sent the hornet before you<sup>r</sup>, which drove them out from before you<sup>r</sup>, even the two kings of the Am'or-ites; but not with your sword, nor with your bow.

13 And I have given you<sup>r</sup> a land for which you<sup>r</sup> did not labor, and cities which you<sup>r</sup> built not, and you<sup>r</sup> dwell in them; of the vineyards and oliveyards which you<sup>r</sup> planted not do you<sup>r</sup> eat.

14 Now therefore fear the LORD, and serve Him in sincerity and in truth; and put away the gods which your<sup>r</sup> fathers served on the other side of the flood, and in E'gypt; and serve you<sup>r</sup> the LORD.

15 And if it seem evil to you<sup>r</sup> to serve the LORD, choose you<sup>r</sup> this day whom you<sup>r</sup> will serve; whether the gods which your<sup>r</sup> fathers served that were on the other side of the flood, or the gods of the Am'or-ites, in whose land you<sup>r</sup> dwell: but as for me and my house, we will serve the LORD.

16 And the people answered and said, GOD forbid that we should forsake the LORD, to serve other gods;

17 For the LORD our GOD, He it is that brought us up and our fathers out of the land of E'gypt, from the house of bondage, and which did those great signs in our sight, and preserved us in all the way where<sup>r</sup> we went, and among all the people through whom we passed:

Jehovah<sup>st</sup> - Elohim<sup>pl</sup> - in which

18 And the LORD drove out from before us all the people, even the Am'orites which dwelled in the land: *therefore* will we also serve the LORD: for He is our God.

19 And Josh'u-a said to the people, You' cannot serve the LORD: for He is a holy God; He is a jealous God; He will not forgive your<sup>r</sup> transgressions nor your<sup>r</sup> sins.

20 If you<sup>r</sup> forsake the LORD, and serve strange gods, then He will turn and do you<sup>r</sup> hurt, and consume you<sup>r</sup>, after that He has done you<sup>r</sup> good.

ACTS 7:43 Jehovah<sup>4f</sup> foreign - bring disaster - i.e. destroy

21 And the people said to Josh'u-a, Nay; but we will serve the LORD.

22 And Josh'u-a said to the people, You' are witnesses against yourselves' that you' have chosen you<sup>r</sup> the LORD, to serve Him. And they said, We are witnesses.

23 Now therefore put away, said he, the strange gods which are among you<sup>r</sup>, and incline your<sup>r</sup> heart to the LORD God of Is'ra-el.

24 And the people said to Josh'u-a, The LORD our God will we serve, and His voice will we obey.

25 So Josh'u-a made a covenant with the people that day, and set them a statute and an ordinance in She'chem.

26 And Josh'u-a wrote these words in the book of the law of God, and took a great stone, and set it up there under an oak, that was by the sanctuary of the LORD.

27 And Josh'u-a said to all the people, Behold, this stone shall be a witness to us; for it has heard all the words of the LORD which He spoke to us: it shall be therefore a witness to you<sup>r</sup>, lest you<sup>r</sup> deny your<sup>r</sup> God.

28 So Josh'u-a let the people depart, every man to his inheritance.

29 And it came to pass after these things, that Josh'u-a the son of Nun, the servant of the LORD, died, being a hundred and ten years old.

30 And they buried him in the border of his inheritance in Tim'nath-se'rah, which is in mount E'phra-im, on the north side of the hill of Ga'ash.

31 And Is'ra-el served the LORD all the days of Josh'u-a, and all the days of the elders that outlived Josh'u-a, and which had known all the works of the LORD, that He had done for Is'ra-el.

32 And the bones of Jo'seph, which the children of Is'ra-el brought up out of E'gypt, buried they in She'chem, in a parcel of ground which Ja'cob bought of the sons of Ha'mor the father of She'chem for a hundred pieces of sil-

ver: and it became the inheritance of the children of Jo'seph.

33 And E-le-a'zar the son of Aar'on died; and they buried him in a hill that pertained to Phin'e-has his son, which was given him in mount E'phra-im.

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## THE BOOK OF JUDGES CHAPTER 1

**N**OW after the death of Josh'u-a it came to pass, that the children of Is'ra-el asked the LORD, saying, Who shall go up for us against the Ca'naan-ites first, to fight against them?

2 And the LORD said, **Ju'dah shall go up: behold, I have delivered the land into his hand.**

3 And Ju'dah said to Sim'e-on his brother, Come up with me into my lot, that we may fight against the Ca'naan-ites; and I likewise will go with you into your lot. So Sim'e-on went with him.

4 And Ju'dah went up; and the LORD delivered the Ca'naan-ites and the Per'iz-zites into their hand: and they slew of them in Be'zek ten thousand men.

5 And they found A-don'i-be'zek in Be'zek: and they fought against him, and they slew the Ca'naan-ites and the Per'iz-zites.

6 But A-don'i-be'zek fled; and they pursued after him, and caught him, and cut off his thumbs and his great toes.

7 And A-don'i-be'zek said, Threescore and ten kings, having their thumbs and their great toes cut off, gathered their meat under my table: as I have done, so God has required me. And they brought him to Je-ru'sa-lem, and there he died.

8 Now the children of Ju'dah had fought against Je-ru'sa-lem, and had taken it, and smitten it with the edge of the sword, and set the city on fire.

9 And afterward the children of Ju'dah went down to fight against the Ca'naan-ites, that dwelled in the mountain, and in the south, and in the valley.

10 And Ju'dah went against the Ca'naan-ites that dwelled in He'bron: (now the name of He'bron before was Kir'jath-ar'ba): and they slew She'shai, and A-hi man, and Tal mai.

11 And from there he went against the inhabitants of De'bir: and the name of De'bir before was Kir'jath-se'pher: 12 And Ca'leb said, He that smites