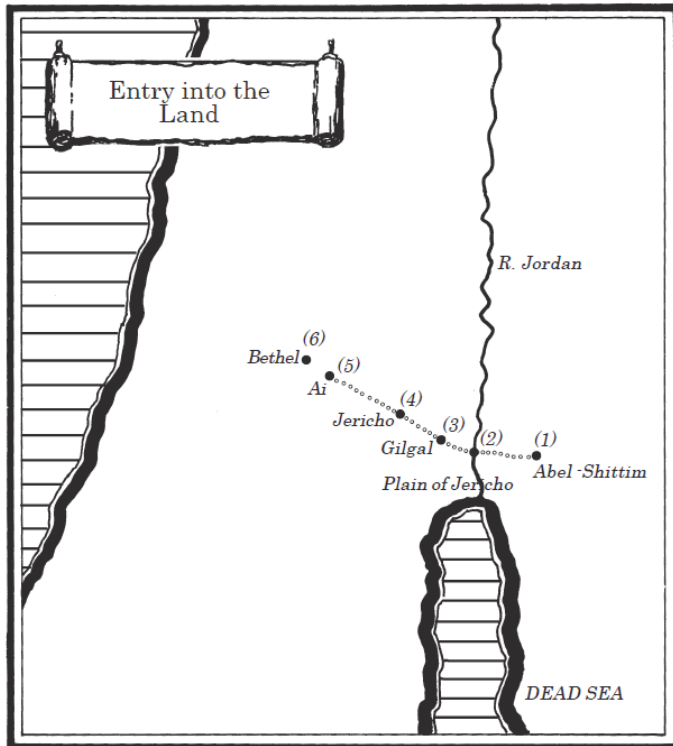




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JOSHUA'S CENTRAL CAMPAIGN

The following chart fits well at the bottom of Joshua 3.



- (1) Two spies are sent by Joshua from Shittim to reconnoitre Jericho (Josh. 2:1).
- (2) Led by Joshua, the Israelites leave Shittim and cross the Jordan, the flow of which miraculously ceases (3:1).
- (3) Israel encamps at Gilgal where they are circumcised and where the manna ceases and they eat of the corn of the land (4:19; 5:9-12).
- (4) Jericho is besieged and taken after its walls miraculously collapse (6:1).
- (5) A force of 3,000 men is sent to Ai, but they are repulsed because of Achan's sin (7:1-4).
- (6) By setting an ambush of 5,000 men between Bethel and Ai, and drawing out the men of Ai from the city by his other men, Joshua overcomes Ai and destroys it (8:12-21).

CIRCUMCISION - JOSHUA 5

This is an extensive principle in the Bible. Using the following notes mark this important theme.

The cutting off of the foreskin sym removal of the inherent sin and flesh (Deut 10:15-21). See the Apostolic exposition (1 Cor 7:19; Rom 2:29)

ANGEL - JOSHUA 5:14

The presence of angels are an important part of all our lives. This incident is yet another occurrence of the many you might like to investigate throughout the Scriptures.

An angel of God's presence, who bore His name, appeared to Moses at the bush (cp. v15; Ex 3:5; 23:20-23; Isa 63:9)

Israel's angel or 'prince' is later identified by another angel as 'Michael' (Dan 10:21; Jude v9) - chief angel

JERICO

The falling of the walls of Jericho and how it happened are clearly shown in the text of Joshua 6. Read this very carefully noting things like the order of those walking about the walls and how many times they walked around each day. Prepare notes for yourself. The following points may help a little.

- By faith the walls of Jericho fell down, after they were compassed about 7 days (Heb 11:30).
- Typified 6 x 1000 years 'days' of warfare against sin (2 Cor 10:4-5)
- On seventh day, at beginning of millennium, Yahweh to give victory to the faithful
- Work of Yahweh i.e. flesh is powerless in warfare against sin (Eph 2:10; Gal 4:19)
- Jericho represents the apostate world devoted to self and the collapse of the apostate system (Rev 18:17).



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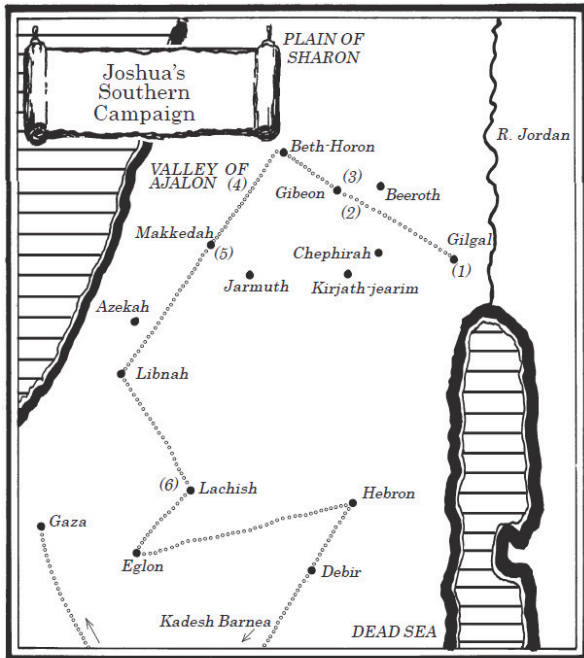
THE GIBEONITES - JOSHUA 9

This tragic episode has lessons worth noting in your margin. Take the time to note this at Joshua 9.

- League with Gibeonites - deception. Need to heed the instructions of God and seek on His terms (Mark 16:16; Gal 3:27-29). Need to approach Yahweh in prayer asking for guidance to avoid these mistakes (Mark 1:35; John 8:28)
- Mixing with Gibeonites - compromise but oaths binding - faithful to word (Psa 15:4; Matt 5:37)
- Destroying nations rep putting away the world

JOSHUA'S SOUTHERN CAMPAIGN

Mark the following map and notes in your margin at Joshua 9. It is interesting to note how far Joshua traveled. Can you work out the distances?



- (1) The men of Gibeon, faced with the evidence of Israel's success at Jericho and Ai, make a league with Joshua (Josh.9:1-6).
- (2) Adoni zedek, king of Jerusalem, along with the kings of Hebron, Jarmuth, Lachish and Eglon, move to smite Gibeon because of its league with Joshua (10:1-5).
- (3) With an overnight march from Gilgal, Joshua comes to the rescue of the Gibeonites (10:9).
- (4) After a great battle at Gibeon, Joshua chases the armies of the five Amorite kings through the pass of Beth-Horon, down the steep valley of Ajalon (where many are slain by hailstones) and on to Makkedah and Azekah (10:10-11).
- (5) The five kings are discovered hiding in a cave at Makkedah. Joshua comes and slays them (10:17-27).
- (6) In a great thrust southward, Joshua subdues Makkedah, Libnah, Lachish, Eglon, Hebron and Debir (10:28-39).
- (7) All the centre of the land and the southern regions to Kadesh Barnea and Gaza are now under Israel's dominion and Joshua returns to Gilgal (10:41-43).

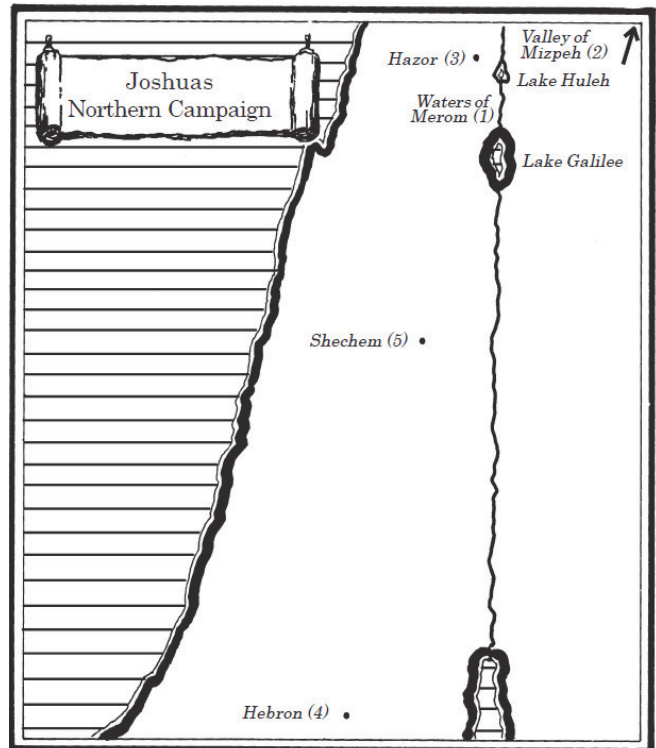
SUN STANDING STILL - JOSHUA 10:13

What an amazing miracle! Mark this in your margin next to Joshua 10:13

Unique intervention: God appointed the sun and moon to stay their course for almost a day for Israel to complete their work (v12-14)
 An event which will be paralleled in the future when Yahweh will fight against the federated enemies when they besiege Jerusalem (Hab 3:11; Zech 14:3)
 Yahweh will again use forces of nature including hailstones, earthquakes, etc.

JOSHUA'S NORTHERN CAMPAIGN

Mark the following map and notes in your margin at Joshua 11.



- (1) Jabin king of Hazor assembles at the Waters of Merom the kings of the nations in the north of the land to fight against Israel (Josh.11:1-5).
- (2) Joshua suddenly marches his army to the Waters of Merom and routs the kings, chasing them as far as the valley of Mizpeh (11:7-9).
- (3) Hazor is burnt and it king is slain (11:10-11). All the northern section of the land as far as Mt. Hermon is now under the control of Joshua (11:16-17).
- (4) Joshua divides the land and Caleb seeks for an inheritance in Hebron (14:12-13).
- (5) At the end of his life Joshua gathers the tribes to Shechem for his final words of instruction and exhortation (24:1).