

Josh 10:1-14 - Sept 6, 2020 am
**THE CAMPAIGN TO CONQUER THE LAND
OF CANAAN / THE PROMISED LAND**

THE ALLIANCE OF THE AMORITES (Joshua 10:1-2)

THE ATTACK OF THE AMORITES (Joshua 10:3-5)

THE APPEAL OF THE GIBEONITES (Joshua 10:6)

THE ACTION OF THE ISRAELITES (Joshua 10:7-9)

THE ACTS OF GOD (Joshua 10:10-14)

ISRAEL'S ARMY (Joshua 10:10)

HAILSTONES (Joshua 10:11)

LENGTHENING OF THE DAY (Joshua 10:12-14)

THE AXE (Execution) FOR THE KINGS (Josh 10:15-27)

THE SECURING OF THE KINGS (Josh 10:15-19)

And Joshua returned, and all Israel with him, unto the camp to Gilgal. ¹⁶ But these five kings fled, and hid themselves in a cave at Makkedah. ¹⁷ And it was told Joshua, saying, The five kings are found hid in a cave at Makkedah. ¹⁸ And Joshua said, Roll great stones upon the mouth of the cave, and set men by it for to keep them: ¹⁹ and stay ye not, but pursue after your enemies, and smite the hindmost of them; suffer them not to enter into their cities: for the Lord your God hath delivered them into your hand.

THE SLAUGHTER OF THE ARMIES (Josh 10:20-21) And it came to pass, when Joshua and the children of Israel 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. ²¹ And all the people returned to the camp to Joshua at Makkedah in peace: none moved his tongue against any of the children of Israel.

THE SENTENCE FOR THE KINGS (Joshua 10:22-27)

THE ARRAIGNMENT (22-23) Then said Joshua, Open the mouth of the cave, and bring out those five kings unto me out of the cave. ²³ And they did so, and brought forth those five kings unto him out of the cave, the king of Jerusalem, the king of Hebron, the king of Jarmuth, the king of Lachish, and the king of Eglon.

THE HUMILIATION (24-25)

A DEMONSTRATION (24) And it came to pass, when they brought out those kings unto Joshua, that Joshua called for all the men of Israel, and said unto 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.

AN ILLUSTRATION (25) And Joshua said unto them, Fear not, nor be dismayed, be strong and of good courage: for thus shall the Lord do to all your enemies against whom ye fight.

THE HANGING (26) And afterward Joshua smote them, and slew them, and hanged them on five trees: and they were hanging upon the trees until the evening.

Gen 9:6 Whoso sheddeth man's blood, by man shall his blood be shed: for in the image of God made he man.

Deut 21:33 (for he that is hanged is accursed of God;)

Gal 3:13 "for it is written, Cursed is every one that hangeth on a tree"

Gen 12:1-3 "I will make of thee a great nation, and I will bless thee, and make thy name great; and thou shalt be a blessing: ³ and I will bless them that bless thee, and curse him that curseth thee."

Capital punishment ...

#1 – It offers an appropriate punishment for those who have taken the life of another. Those who willingly take the life of another - do not deserve to live and have earned death.

#2 – It sends a message which can deter others from enjoining the same type of activity. If murderers are put to death, there will be fewer murders (and fewer murderers.)

#3 – It offers a strong message that crime does not pay, by offering an easily understood concept... that of a shortened life. If you want to live, don't kill other people!

THE HIDING (27) And it came to pass at the time of the going down of the sun, that Joshua commanded, and they took them down off the trees, and cast them into the cave wherein they had been hid, and laid great stones in the cave's mouth, which remain until this very day.

Deut 21:22-23 "And if a man have committed a sin worthy of death, and he be to be put to death, and thou hang him on a tree: ²³ his body shall not remain all night upon the tree, but thou shalt in any wise bury him that day; (for he that is hanged is accursed of God;) that thy land be not defiled, which the Lord thy God giveth thee for an inheritance."