

The Story of the Bible

Invasion and Conquest of Canaan

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Points for Review

- Man was separated from God because of sin, but he can be reconciled through Christ.
- Using the 17 time periods to help our study:
 - Before the Flood
 - The Flood
 - Scattering of the People
 - The Patriarchs
 - Exodus from Egypt
 - Wandering in the Wilderness

Today's Key Takeaways

- Invasion and Conquest of Canaan
 - Joshua 6-24
 - Israel was generally successful in driving out the evil people of the land of Canaan
 - Still, they were not totally successful in taking total control of Canaan
 - Joshua died at the end of this time period
- Trust in God's wisdom and instruction is critical

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- Review of God's Role in Israel's Success

How did Israel respond to God?

How did God feel as a result?

What lessons can we learn?

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- Transition from Wandering in the Wilderness
 - Joshua was chosen by God to lead the people following Moses' death
 - Joshua was instructed by God in similar fashion to the way Moses was instructed in Exodus 3

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- Consider God's promise regarding the land
 - Genesis 15:18-21
 - Numbers 20:12
 - Joshua 1:13-15
 - God had effectively given them the land already
- What did the Israelites need to do in order to inherit the land which God had given them?
 - Joshua 1:1-9
 - As long as they obeyed God, they would succeed

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- This time period can be roughly divided into four main components, as follows:
 - Central Campaign (Joshua 6-8)
 - Southern Campaign (Joshua 9-10)
 - Northern Campaign (Joshua 11)
 - Land Distributed to the Tribes (Joshua 12-24)

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- Major Events
 - Battle at Jericho (Joshua 6)
 - Battle at Ai (Joshua 7-8)
 - Guile of Gibeonites (Joshua 9)
 - Battle with the South (Joshua 10)
 - Battle with the North (Joshua 11)
 - Land distributed among the tribes (Joshua 12-22)
 - Joshua's last exhortations (Joshua 23-24)

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- What had been the determining factor in Israel's success?

Consider Joshua 24:14-21; why would Joshua choose these words?

What might be some reasons for Israel's incomplete success?

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