

# Joshua 11

Word on Wednesdays  
13 May 2020

## Give Thanks

- Write down 3 things you are grateful for this week.
- Take a few minutes to give thanks to God



## Recap

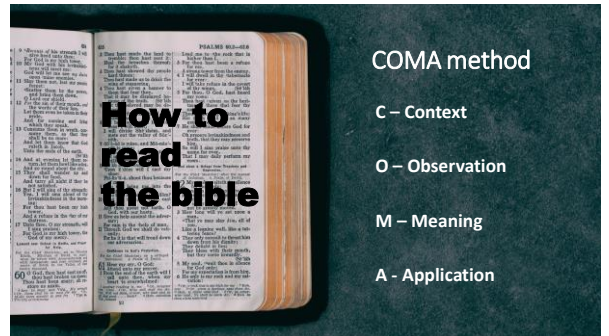
Joshua 10  
Fight for and with God



## How to read the bible

### COMA method

- C – Context
- O – Observation
- M – Meaning
- A – Application

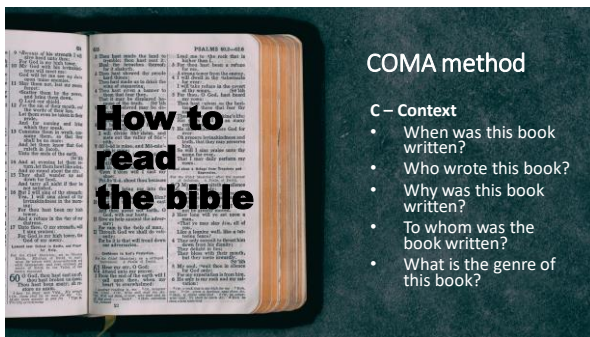


### COMA method

#### C – Context

- When was this book written?
- Who wrote this book?
- Why was this book written?
- To whom was the book written?
- What is the genre of this book?

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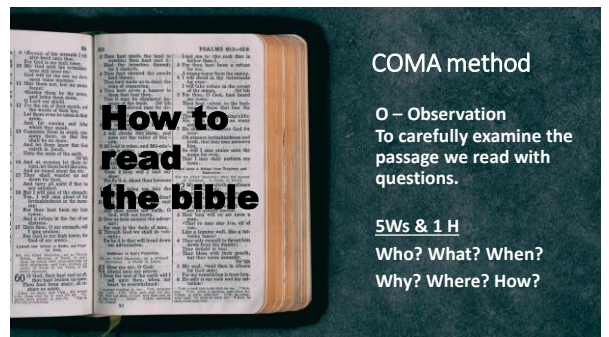
#### O – Observation

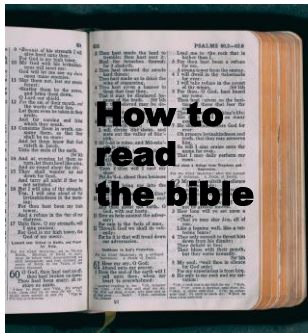
To carefully examine the passage we read with questions.

#### 5Ws & 1 H

Who? What? When?  
Why? Where? How?

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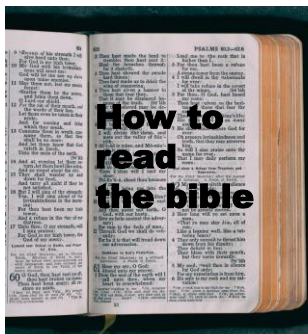
**M – Meaning**  
What is the reader supposed to learn about God/Jesus from the passage?  
If you could sum up the main point in one sentence, what would you say?



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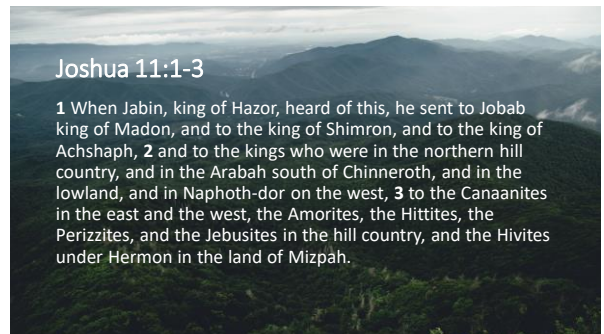
**A – Application**  
Sin to confess  
Promises to claim  
Attitudes to change  
Commands to obey  
Examples to follow



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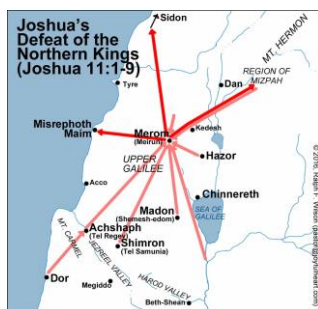
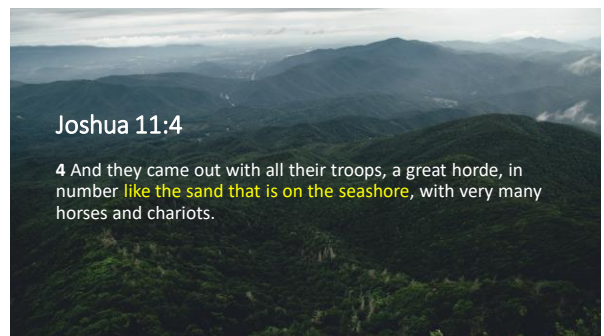
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**Joshua 11:1-3**

1 When Jabin, king of Hazor, heard of this, he sent to Jobab king of Madon, and to the king of Shimron, and to the king of Achshaph, 2 and to the kings who were in the northern hill country, and in the Arabah south of Chinnereth, and in the lowland, and in Naphoth-dor on the west, 3 to the Canaanites in the east and the west, the Amorites, the Hittites, the Perizzites, and the Jebusites in the hill country, and the Hivites under Hermon in the land of Mizpah.

**Joshua 11:4**

4 And they came out with all their troops, a great horde, in number **like the sand that is on the seashore**, with very many horses and chariots.

## Genesis 22:17-18

17 I will surely bless you, and I will surely multiply your offspring as the stars of heaven and as the sand that is on the seashore. And your offspring shall possess the gate of his[a] enemies, 18 and in your offspring shall all the nations of the earth be blessed, because you have obeyed my voice."

## Joshua 11:4

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## Deut 20:1

20 "When you go out to war against your enemies, and see horses and chariots and an army larger than your own, you shall not be afraid of them, for the Lord your God is with you, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt.

## Joshua 11:5-6

5 And all these kings joined their forces and came and encamped together at the waters of Merom to fight against Israel. 6 And the Lord said to Joshua, "Do not be afraid of them, for tomorrow at this time I will give over all of them, slain, to Israel. You shall hamstring their horses and burn their chariots with fire."

## Joshua 11:7-8

7 So Joshua and all his warriors came suddenly against them by the waters of Merom and fell upon them.

8 And the Lord gave them into the hand of Israel, who struck them and chased them as far as Great Sidon and Misrephoth-maim, and eastward as far as the Valley of Mizpeh. And they struck them until he left none remaining.

## Joshua 11:9-10

9 And Joshua did to them just as the Lord said to him: he hamstrung their horses and burned their chariots with fire.

10 And Joshua turned back at that time and captured Hazor and struck its king with the sword, for Hazor formerly was the head of all those kingdoms. 11 And they struck with the sword all who were in it, devoting them to destruction; there was none left that breathed. And he burned Hazor with fire.



Ruins of Hazor, 2019



### Joshua 11:12

**12** And all the cities of those kings, and all their kings, Joshua captured, and struck them with the edge of the sword, devoting them to destruction, just as Moses the servant of the Lord had commanded.

### Joshua 11:13

**13** But none of the cities that stood on mounds did Israel burn, except Hazor alone; that Joshua burned.

### Joshua 6:24 - Jericho

**24** And they burned the city with fire, and everything in it. Only the silver and gold, and the vessels of bronze and of iron, they put into the treasury of the house of the Lord.

### Joshua 8:19 - Ai

**19** And the men in the ambush rose quickly out of their place, and as soon as he had stretched out his hand, they ran and entered the city and captured it. And they hurried to set the city on fire.

### Reflection

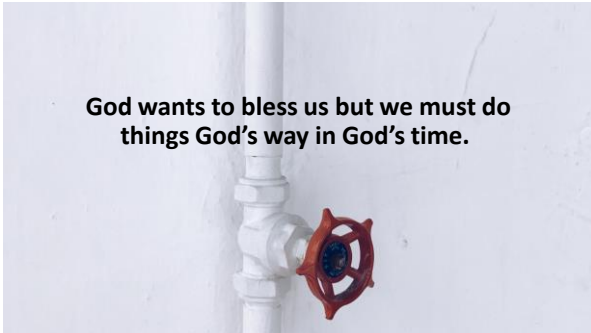
In what ways do we find it hard to submit to God?  
What is God speaking to you about it?



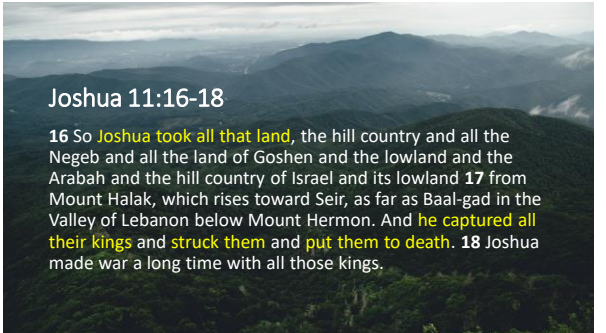
### Joshua 11:14-15

**14** And all the spoil of these cities and the livestock, the people of Israel took for their plunder. But every person they struck with the edge of the sword until they had destroyed them, and they did not leave any who breathed.

**15** Just as the Lord had commanded Moses his servant, so Moses commanded Joshua, and so Joshua did. He left nothing undone of all that the Lord had commanded Moses.

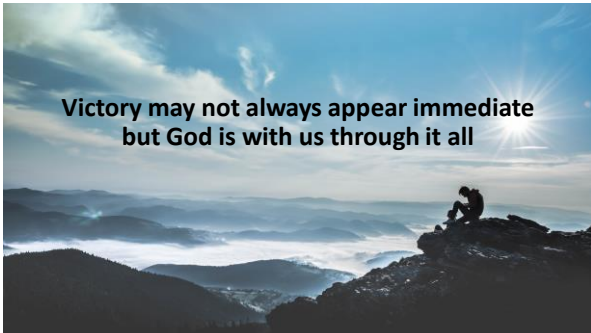


God wants to bless us but we must do things God's way in God's time.

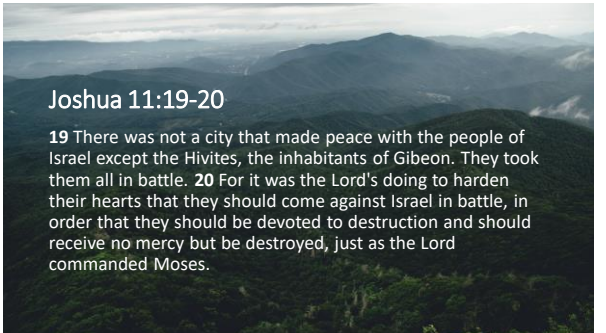


### Joshua 11:16-18

**16** So Joshua took all that land, the hill country and all the Negeb and all the land of Goshen and the lowland and the Arabah and the hill country of Israel and its lowland **17** from Mount Halak, which rises toward Seir, as far as Baal-gad in the Valley of Lebanon below Mount Hermon. And he captured all their kings and struck them and put them to death. **18** Joshua made war a long time with all those kings.

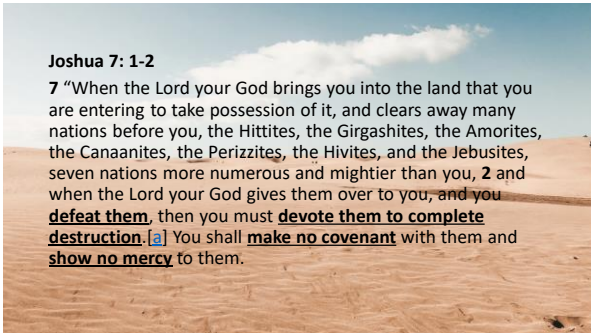


Victory may not always appear immediate but God is with us through it all



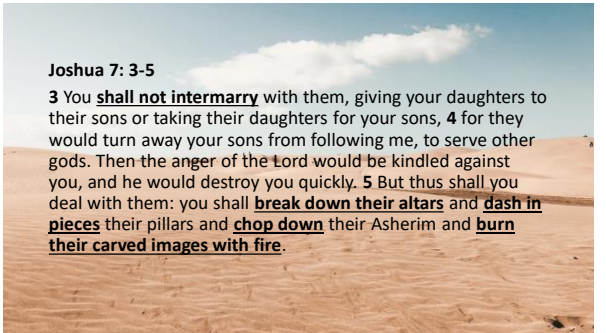
### Joshua 11:19-20

**19** There was not a city that made peace with the people of Israel except the Hivites, the inhabitants of Gibeon. They took them all in battle. **20** For it was the Lord's doing to harden their hearts that they should come against Israel in battle, in order that they should be devoted to destruction and should receive no mercy but be destroyed, just as the Lord commanded Moses.



### Joshua 7: 1-2

**7** "When the Lord your God brings you into the land that you are entering to take possession of it, and clears away many nations before you, the Hittites, the Girgashites, the Amorites, the Canaanites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites, seven nations more numerous and mightier than you, **2** and when the Lord your God gives them over to you, and you defeat them, then you must devote them to complete destruction. <sup>[a]</sup> You shall make no covenant with them and show no mercy to them.



### Joshua 7: 3-5

**3** You shall not intermarry with them, giving your daughters to their sons or taking their daughters for your sons, **4** for they would turn away your sons from following me, to serve other gods. Then the anger of the Lord would be kindled against you, and he would destroy you quickly. **5** But thus shall you deal with them: you shall break down their altars and dash in pieces their pillars and chop down their Asherim and burn their carved images with fire.

**1 Corinthians 10:13**

<sup>13</sup> No temptation has overtaken you that is not common to man. God is faithful, and he will not let you be tempted beyond your ability, but with the temptation he will also provide the way of escape, that you may be able to endure it.

**James 4:7**

Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you.

**Joshua 11:21**

**21** And Joshua came at that time and cut off the Anakim from the hill country, from Hebron, from Debir, from Anab, and from all the hill country of Judah, and from all the hill country of Israel. Joshua devoted them to destruction with their cities.

**Numbers 13:28**

**28** However, the people who dwell in the land are strong, and the cities are fortified and very large. And besides, we saw the descendants of Anak there.

**Deuteronomy 1:28**

**28** Where are we going up? Our brothers have made our hearts melt, saying, "The people are greater and taller than we. The cities are great and fortified up to heaven. And besides, we have seen the sons of the Anakim there."

**Joshua 11: 22**

**22** There was none of the Anakim left in the land of the people of Israel. Only in Gaza, in Gath, and in Ashdod did some remain.

*1 Sam 17:4 And there came out from the camp of the Philistines a champion named Goliath of Gath, whose height was six cubits and a span.*

**Joshua 11: 23**

**23** So Joshua took the whole land, according to all that the Lord had spoken to Moses. And Joshua gave it for an inheritance to Israel according to their tribal allotments. And the land had rest from war.

**Learning Points**

When God is on our side, we fight from a position of victory.

How to get on God's side?

Do as He says.

**The Lord will do as He says if we do as He says**

