

**WELCOME TO W.O.W.**

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**WORD ON(LINE) WEDNESDAYS!**



**1/** How deep the Father's love for us  
How vast beyond all measure  
That He should give His only Son  
To make a wretch His treasure

How great the pain of searing loss  
The Father turns His face away  
As wounds which mar the Chosen One  
Bring many sons to glory

**2/** Behold the man upon a cross  
My sin upon His shoulders  
Ashamed, I hear my mocking voice  
Call out among the scoffers

It was my sin that held Him there  
Until it was accomplished  
His dying breath has brought me life  
I know that it is finished

**3/** I will not boast in anything  
No gifts, no power, no wisdom  
But I will boast in Jesus Christ  
His death and resurrection

Why should I gain from His reward?  
I cannot give an answer  
But this I know with all my heart  
His wounds have paid my ransom

**WORSHIP**  
*HOW DEEP*  
*THE FATHER'S*  
*LOVE FOR US*



# JOSHUA 15-19

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**“A LOTTA ALLOTMENTS”**



# GIVE A MAN A FISH vs TEACH A MAN TO FISH ...

## Acts 17:11

The Berean Jews received the word with all eagerness, examining the Scriptures daily to see if these things were so.

**1 John 2:20 & 27** But you have an anointing from the Holy One, and all of you know the truth ... the anointing you received from Him remains in you, and you do not need anyone to teach you.

**The best thing that you can get out of attending a Bible Study session/class is learning how to study the Bible for yourself!**



# THE STORY SO FAR ...

<b><i>Joshua 1</i></b>	Commissioning of Joshua
<b><i>Joshua 2-5</i></b>	Crossing the Jordan
<b><i>Joshua 6-12</i></b>	Conquests in Canaan
<b><i>Joshua 13-19</i></b>	Carving up the Land

~**13:** East of Jordan – allotment for Reuben,

~**14:** West of Jordan – starting with Caleb

~**15-19:** Allotments for everyone else



READING TIME!

In the interest  
of time, take 5  
min to  
skim through  
Joshua 15-19!





# SOME QUESTIONS I HAD AT FIRST READING ...

## 1. How do we deal with “listicle” passages?

Name after name, city after city. Is it okay for us to skim through such parts of Scripture?



**listicle**

/ˈlɪstɪk(ə)l/

*noun*

a piece of writing or other content presented wholly or partly in the form of a list.

"a recent BuzzFeed listicle called '21 Pictures That Will Restore Your Faith in Humanity' has attracted more than 13 million views"

## 2. Why did some tribes get more/less than others?

For example, why does Edric have to do 5 chapters when everyone else gets 1 a week?!?!?

## 3. Why are some people given special mention?

Some examples from 15-19: Caleb, Othniel, Zelophehad and Joshua himself.

## 4. How could these chapters be relevant today?

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**BIG PICTURE: TRY TO SUMMARISE OR THIS PASSAGE IN ONE SENTENCE, HEADLINE, PHRASE, OR TWEET. IN A NUTSHELL, “JOSH 15-19 IS ABOUT ...”**

**LEVEL 1/ OBSERVATION (FACTUAL STATEMENT)**

“... how the Promised Land was divided among the Tribes of Israel”

**2/ INTERPRETATION (MAKING SENSE OF THE FACTUAL)**

“... principles that help us understand our allotment/reward for our faith”

**3/ APPLICATION “... what I can do to ensure I’m in a place of God’s favour”**

**4/ PERSONAL REFLECTION “... which tribe would I fall in?**

**Would I be a Judahite or a Simeonite? Or am I a Caleb or a Joshua?”**

**5/ GOSPEL CONTEXT (IN LIGHT OF THE WHOLE REDEMPTIVE ARC)**

“... the rest, reward & victory we can have in Jesus!”



**A) SNAPSHOT:** What is the big picture being painted with this list?

**WHAT YOU SHOULD BE ASKING EVERY TIME YOU READ THE BIBLE,  
WHETHER IT'S A LONG OR A SHORT PASSAGE:**

**HOW DO I SEE THE CHARACTER OF GOD  
AND THE GRACE OF JESUS IN THIS PASSAGE?**

**WHERE DOES THIS FIT INTO THE  
REDEMPTIVE NARRATIVE OF THE GOSPEL?**

God created man → Fall of man → Grace through Jesus → Reconciliation

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## OTHER EXAMPLES OF LISTS IN THE BIBLE

### i. **LAWS**

- Leviticus

### ii. **TRIBE HEADCOUNT**

- Numbers

### iii. **SUCCESSION OF KINGS**

- 1-2 Kings & 1-2 Chronicles

### iv. **GENEALOGIES**

- Genesis 5, 10 & 11 = Adam to Abraham
- Matthew 1 & Luke 3 = Adam to Jesus

## THE BIG PICTURE

**Holiness is an impossible standard for us to meet**

**But God blesses His people in spite of our failings**

**History shows that man will fall short again & again**

**Thankfully, Jesus was always part of God's plan**



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## **B) SPOT PATTERNS**

What is repeated?

What might God be telling us  
through this repetition?

**B) SPOT PATTERNS:** What is repeated? Why would God repeat it?

**TIP: HIGHLIGHT REPEATED VERSES IN YOUR BIBLE. ANNOTATE CROSS-REFS.**

**JUDAH'S ALLOTMENT – JOSHUA 15:63** Judah could not dislodge the Jebusites, who were living in Jerusalem; to this day the Jebusites live there with the people of Judah.

**EPHRAIM'S ALLOTMENT – JOSHUA 16:10** They did not dislodge the Canaanites living in Gezer; to this day the Canaanites live among the people of Ephraim ...

**MANASSEH'S ALLOTMENT – JOSHUA 17:12** Yet the Manassites were not able to occupy these towns, for the Canaanites were determined to live in that region. **13** However, when the Israelites grew stronger, they subjected the Canaanites to forced labor but did not drive them out completely.



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## **CONSEQUENCES**

*The Jebusites* would remain an irritant even until the time of King David 400 years later! In 2 Sam 5:6, they still inhabited Jerusalem and mocked David, saying even “the blind and lame will repeat you!”

*The Canaanites of Gezer* remained there until the time of Solomon! In fact it took the Egyptians to capture Canaan in the first place.

In Ezra 9:1, the Jews were chastised for their pagan practices and worship of other gods: “The people of Israel and the priests and the Levites have not separated themselves from the peoples of the lands, with respect to the abominations of the *Canaanites* ... the *Jebusites* ...”

**WHEN GOD TELLS US TO DEAL WITH SOMETHING, IT'S FOR OUR OWN GOOD! DO WE WANT TO LIVE WITH CONSEQUENCES WHICH CAN LAST FOR YEARS OR EVEN GENERATIONS?**

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***CONTRAST THIS WITH THE EXAMPLE OF DAN ...***

*Joshua 19:1-47 describe the boundaries of the land allotted to the Tribes of Zebulun, Issachar, Asher, Naphtali and Dan*

**JOSHUA 19:48** (When the territory of the Danites was lost to them, they went up and attacked Leshem, took it, put it to the sword and occupied it. They settled in Leshem and named it Dan after their ancestor.)

**They dealt with it immediately and Leshem was never mentioned again in the Bible. No longer a source of agitation or uprising. Leshem still exists today as a prosperous, religious town in modern-day Israel.**



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## **C) SEARCH FOR DISCREPANCIES**

In a list of repetitions, is everyone treated equally? If not – why not?

What’s the backstory?

## C) SEARCH FOR DISCREPANCIES: Who's treated different?

Most of the territories are described in a very similar fashion. For example, in 19:10-47, the lots for Zebulun, Issachar, Asher, Naphtali and Dan are described similarly.

However, the author (who is ultimately God!) makes it a point to include explanations of why the descendents of **Joseph** (particularly the half-tribe of **Manasseh**) need such a huge allotment, while those of **Simeon** have a small lot.

TRIBE	#	NUM 1	#	NUM 26	CHANGE
JUDAH	1	74,600	1	76,500	+1,900
DAN	2	62,700	2	64,400	+1,700
<b>SIMEON</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>59,300</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>22,200</b>	<b>-37,100</b>
ZEBULUN	4	57,400	4	60,500	+3,100
ISSACHAR	5	54,400	3	64,300	+9,900
NAPHTALI	6	53,400	7	45,400	-8,000
REUBEN	7	46,500	8	43,730	-2,700
GAD	8	45,650	9	40,500	-5,150
ASHER	9	41,500	5	53,400	+11,900
EPHRAIM	10	40,500	10	32,500	-8,000
<b>MANASSEH</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>32,300</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>52,700</b>	<b>+20,500</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>603,550</b>		<b>601,730</b>	<b>-1,820</b>

*Note A: 11 Tribes because Levites were not counted in census*  
*Note B: Census only counted the men – not women & children*



## C) SEARCH FOR DISCREPANCIES: Who's treated different?

**JOSHUA 17:14** The people of Joseph said to Joshua, “Why have you given us only one allotment and one portion for an inheritance? We are a numerous people, and the Lord has blessed us abundantly.”

**15** “If you are so numerous,” Joshua answered, “and if the hill country of Ephraim is too small for you, go up into the forest and clear land for yourselves here in the land of the Perizzites and Rephaites.”

**16** The people of Joseph replied, “The hill country is too high for us, and all the Canaanites who live in the plain have chariots, those in Beth Shan and its settlements and those in the Valley of Jezreel.”

**17** But Joshua said to the tribes of Joseph—to Ephraim and Manasseh—“You are numerous and very powerful. You will have not only one allotment **18** but the forested hill country as well. Clear it, and its farthest limits will be yours; though the Canaanites have chariots fitted with iron and though they are strong, you can drive them out.”

### THE TRIBE OF MANASSEH HAD:

- 1. The boldness to ask for more**
- 2. A battle to fight before they could claim it**
- 3. Blessings from their forefather, Jacob**

# C) SEARCH FOR DISCREPANCIES: Who's treated different?

## WHY? WHAT'S THE BACKSTORY?

### *DEUTERONOMY 33 – THE BLESSINGS OF JACOB UPON HIS SONS*

**13** About Joseph he said: “May the Lord bless his land  
with the precious dew from heaven above and with the deep waters that lie below;  
**14** with the best the sun brings forth and the finest the moon can yield;  
**15** with the choicest gifts of the ancient mountains  
and the fruitfulness of the everlasting hills;  
**16** with the best gifts of the earth and its fullness  
and the favour of him who dwelt in the burning bush.  
Let all these rest on the head of Joseph, on the brow of the prince among his brothers.  
**17** In majesty he is like a firstborn bull; his horns are the horns of a wild ox.  
With them he will gore the nations, even those at the end of the earth.  
Such are the ten thousands of Ephraim; such are the thousands of Manasseh.”

### **BLESSINGS VS CURSES**

**Curses can flow down**

**3-4 generations, but**

**blessings flow down**

**1,000 generations!**

**(Exodus 20:5-6)**



## C) SEARCH FOR DISCREPANCIES: Who's treated different?

### CONTRAST JOSEPH'S ALLOTMENTS WITH SIMEON'S ALLOTMENT

**JOSHUA 19:9** The inheritance of the Simeonites was taken from the share of Judah, because Judah's portion was more than they needed. So the Simeonites received their inheritance within the territory of Judah.





## C) SEARCH FOR DISCREPANCIES: Who's treated different?

### WHY? WHAT'S THE BACKSTORY?

**GENESIS 34:25** Two of Jacob's sons, Simeon and Levi, took their swords and attacked the unsuspecting city, killing every male in the city and looted the city where their sister had been defiled.

**27** The sons of Jacob came upon the dead bodies and looted the city where their sister had been defiled.

**30** Jacob said to Simeon and Levi, "You have brought trouble on me, making me obnoxious to the Canaanites and Perizzites, the people living in this land."

**GENESIS 49:5** (Of Levi and Simeon) ... their swords are weapons of violence.

**6** Let me not enter their council, let me not join their assembly, for they have killed men in their anger and hamstringed oxen as they pleased.

**7** Cursed be their anger, so fierce, and their fury, so cruel!  
I will scatter them in Jacob and disperse them in Israel.

### THE TRIBE OF SIMEON HAD:

- 1. Blood on their hands**
- 2. A battle they fought with the wrong intent**
- 3. Blacklisted by Jacob and blanked out by Moses**



## **C) SEARCH FOR DISCREPANCIES:** Who's treated different?

### **WHY? WHAT'S THE BACKSTORY?**

#### **The Tribe of Simeon would pay for this for as long as they existed.**

- Smallest and weakest of all the tribes by end of the exodus (Num 26:14).
- Even left out of the blessing of Moses (Deut 33:8).

#### **Their small allotment under Joshua wasn't the end of their woes.**

Even though they started off in Judah, the Simeonites would apparently subsequently migrate to the Northern Kingdom and be among the 10 “lost tribes” when the Northern Kingdom of Israel was exiled. (cf 2 Chron 15:9, which mentions that some people from Simeon would later come back to Judah, implying that the tribe had not been in Judah for some time).

## **C) SEARCH FOR DISCREPANCIES:** Who's treated different?

### COMPARING THE TRIBES OF MANASSEH VS SIMEON ...

#### **THE TRIBE OF MANASSEH HAD:**

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- 2. Battles they would have to fight to claim their land**
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### **WHY THE DISCREPANCY BETWEEN THEIR ALLOTMENTS?**

- BECAUSE OF THE JUSTICE OF GOD – CONSEQUENCES HAD TO BE PAID.**
- COULD SIMEON HAVE BROKEN THE CURSE? YES! CONSIDER THE LEVITES.**



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## **D) SPECIAL MENTIONS**

Are there any names that seem to be given special treatment?

Why?

**D) SPECIAL MENTIONS:** Anyone given special treatment? Why?

Three sets of people are singled out in Joshua 15-19, in terms of having a unique journey to receiving a special inheritance.

1. THE DAUGHTERS OF ZELOPHEHAD
2. OTHNIEL & AKSAH (CALEB'S DAUGHTER)
3. JOSHUA

**IS THERE A LESSON WE CAN LEARN AS WE LOOK AT ALL 3?**



## D) SPECIAL MENTIONS: Anyone given special treatment? Why?

### THE DAUGHTERS OF ZELOPHEHAD

**JOSHUA 17:3** Now Zelophehad son of Hopher, the son of Gilead, the son of Makir, the son of Manasseh, had no sons but only daughters, whose names were Mahlah, Noah, Hoglah, Milkah and Tirzah. **4** They went to Eleazar the priest, Joshua son of Nun, and the leaders and said, “The Lord commanded Moses to give us an inheritance among our relatives. So Joshua gave them an inheritance along with the other sons of their father, according to the Lord’s command. **5** Manasseh received an inheritance in the land of Gilead and Bashan east of the Jordan. **6** Because the daughters of the tribe of Manasseh received an inheritance among the sons, the land of Gilead belonged to the rest of the descendants of Manasseh.

**THIS IS THE CONCLUSION TO THE STORY**

**STARTED IN NUMBERS 27:1-11...**

**FROM THIS, WE LEARN...**

- 1. We are not bound by SOFC-curses**
- 2. To boldly approach God’s throne of mercy**
- 3. God’s promises always comes to pass**

## **D) SPECIAL MENTIONS:** Anyone given special treatment? Why?

### **OTHNIEL & AKSAH**

**JOSHUA 15:14** From Hebron Caleb drove out the three Anakites—Sheshai, Ahiman and Talmai, the sons of Anak. **15** From there he marched against the people living in Debir (formerly called Kiriath Sepher).

**16** And Caleb said, “I will give my daughter Aksah in marriage to the man who attacks and captures Kiriath Sepher.” **17** Othniel son of Kenaz, Caleb’s brother, took it; so Caleb gave his daughter Aksah to him in marriage.

**18** One day when she came to Othniel, she urged him to ask her father for a field. When she got off her donkey, Caleb asked her, “What can I do for you?”

**19** She replied, “Do me a special favour. Since you gave me land in the Negev, give me also springs of water.” So Caleb gave her the upper and lower springs.



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### OTHNIEL & AKSAH

**JUDGES 3:7** The Israelites did evil in the eyes of the Lord; they forgot the Lord their God and served the Baals and the Asherahs. **8** The anger of the Lord burned against Israel so that he sold them into the hands of Cushan-Rishathaim king of Aram Naharaim, to whom the Israelites were subject for eight years. **9** But when they cried out to the Lord, he raised up for them a deliverer, Othniel son of Kenaz, Caleb's younger brother, who saved them.

**10** The Spirit of the Lord came on him, so that he became Israel's judge and went to war. The Lord gave Cushan-Rishathaim king of Aram into the hands of Othniel, who overpowered him. **11** He kept Israel peaceful for forty years, until Othniel son of Kenaz died.

#### NOTE:

- 1. The boldness of Othniel & Aksah**
- 2. Othniel's readiness to fight the right battles**
- 3. How God aided & rewarded him**

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### ***JOSHUA 19: JOSHUA'S ALLOTMENT***

**49** When they had finished dividing the land into its allotted portions, the Israelites gave Joshua son of Nun an inheritance among them, **50** as the Lord had commanded. They gave him the town he asked for—Timnath Serah in the hill country of Ephraim. And he built up the town and settled there.

### **TIMNATH SERAH**

- 1. Means “extra portion” or “abundant portion”**
- 2. His reward for a faith journey of >45 years!**
- 3. The place where Joshua was buried (24:30)**



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### WHAT DO WE SEE IN COMMON WITH ALL THESE SPECIAL MENTIONS?

#### **i. BE BOLD IN APPROACHING THE THRONE OF GOD**

- Let us therefore come *boldly* unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need (Heb 4:16).
- We *have confidence* to enter the holy place by the blood of Jesus. (Heb 10:19)
- In Him (Jesus) and through faith in Him we may enter God's presence *with boldness and confidence*. (Eph 3:12)

#### **ii. BE PREPARED TO WORK/FIGHT FOR YOUR REWARD**

Do not grow weary of doing good. In due season we will reap *if* we do not give up. (Gal 6:9)

#### **iii. BE ASSURED OF YOUR REWARD/INHERITANCE**

“Behold, I am coming soon, bringing my recompense with me, to repay everyone for what he has done.” (Rev 22:12)

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## **E) SPIRIT’S LEADING**

As you read, does it feel like the Spirit is drawing your attention to any name/detail in the passage?



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### 3 STEPS TO DRAW OUT THE MEANING OF A NAME

i. **MENTIONS**

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Dig up the meaning behind the original Hebrew/Greek name

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**Joshua 18:1** The whole assembly of the Israelites gathered at Shiloh and set up the tent of meeting there. The country was brought under their control, **2** but there were still seven Israelite tribes who had not yet received their inheritance.

**8** As the men started on their way to map out the land, Joshua instructed them, “Go and make a survey of the land and write a description of it. Then return to me, and I will cast lots for you here at Shiloh in the presence of the Lord.” **9** So the men left and went through the land. They wrote its description on a scroll, town by town, in seven parts, and returned to Joshua in the camp at Shiloh.

**10** Joshua then cast lots for them in Shiloh in the presence of the Lord, and there he distributed the land to the Israelites according to their tribal divisions.



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32 Bible results for “**shiloh.**” Showing results 1-25.

Suggested result

#### **Genesis 49:10**

The scepter shall not depart from Judah, Nor a lawgiver from between his feet, Until **Shiloh** comes; And to Him *shall be* the obedience of the people.

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In your study Bible, or from the Internet ... find a trustworthy website!

Shiloh was the major Israelite worship centre before the first Temple was built in Jerusalem.

The meaning of the word "Shiloh" is unclear. Sometimes, it is translated as a Messianic title that means *He Whose It Is* or as *Pacific, Pacificator* or *Tranquility* that refers to the Samaritan Pentateuch. Regardless, the name of Shiloh the town is derived from שלה (*shala*) and may be translated as *Tranquility Town* (or *Fair Haven* or *Pleasantville*).



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And on the flip side:

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- Judges 21:19 ... But look, there is the annual festival of the Lord in **Shiloh** ...
- 1 Sam 1 ... Year after year this man went up from his town to worship and sacrifice to the Lord Almighty at **Shiloh** ...
- 1 Sam 3:21 ... The Lord continued to appear at **Shiloh**, and the Lord spoke to Samuel through his word.
- 1 Sam 4:3 “Let us bring the ark of the LORD’s covenant from **Shiloh**, so that he may go with us and save us from the hand of our enemies.”

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- **Corporate Worship**
- **Intentional obedience**
- **Revelation of the Lord**
- **Saved by the Lord**



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- Ps 78:60 He abandoned the tabernacle of Shiloh, the tent he had set up among humans.
- Jer 7:12, 14 “Go now to the place in Shiloh where I first made a dwelling for my Name, and see what I did to it because of the wickedness of my people Israel ... Therefore, what I did to Shiloh I will now do to the house that bears my Name, the temple you trust in, the place I gave to you and your ancestors.”
- Jer 26:6 “...then I will make this house like Shiloh and this city a curse among all the nations of the earth.”

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- **Consequences of rebellion = losing protection, covering, peace**

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## F) STEP BACK & SUMMARISE

### i. **GOD LOVES HIS PEOPLE. HIS COMMANDS ARE FOR OUR GOOD.**

The rewards are both proportionate to our obedience (ie, righteous) while also extended to us in grace & mercy (ie, undeserved favour!)

### ii. **GOD'S PEOPLE CAN CHOOSE TO RESPOND IN TWO WAYS:**

**1. Confidently approach His throne of grace & mercy for help & favour**

Like Manassites, Joshua, Caleb, Othniel, Aksah & Zelophehad's daughters

**2. Choose our own way – but this comes at a price**

Like Simeonites, those who failed to evict the Canaanites as instructed, as well as those who in the later years abandoned spirit of Shiloh

### iii. **HOW WILL YOU CHOOSE TO RESPOND TO THE GRACE OF GOD AND THE COMMANDMENTS OF GOD?**

# F) STEP BACK & SUMMARISE

## ONE FINAL POINT ...

- We shouldn't read Joshua 13-19 as being about merely lessons on how to buy property and make material gain.
- Think of the conquest as their mission for that moment.  
What is our mission in this moment?
- To know Christ and make Him known –  
AKA to share Christ as we mature in Him
- Therefore, our “Promised Land” is knowing Christ better and winning souls (not land!) for Christ!



# JOSHUA 19:51

“And so they finished dividing the land.”



# PRACTICE WHAT YOU'VE JUST LEARNT

## **YOUR TURN!**

Finding the deeper meaning  
behind the name of a place.

Choose any city/name that catches your eye  
from Joshua 15-19 and search away!