

Week 6: The Conquest

The Conquest chapter 11-12

Objective:

- The Northern conquest

Resources:

- Book of Joshua - Fr Tadros Malaty Commentary (English)
- Catena Bible Commentary
- Fr Dawoud Lamie Bible study (Arabic)
- Fr Luka Maher Bible study (Arabic)

Reading:

- Book of Joshua chapters 11 & 12
- Skip chapter 13

Key verse(s):

"As the Lord commanded his servant Moses, so Moses commanded Joshua, and Joshua did it; he left nothing undone of all that the Lord commanded Moses." Joshua 11:15 (*This verse reflects Joshua's obedience to God's commands*)

Comments:

Chapter 11

- The Alliance of the Kings (verses 1-5)
- Victory Over the Kings (verses 6-9)
 - As long as God reassures us, we should only obey His commandments with sincerity and precision. We should not be afraid, for everything is in God's hands. No matter how difficult the surrounding circumstances may be, we should not be disturbed because God is stronger than everything.
- The Conquest of the Land (verses 10-23)
 - God gave His people the promise to possess the land of Canaan and to eradicate the wicked within it. Similarly, He grants you many blessings if you walk uprightly and inherit the kingdom of heaven. However, if you neglect His commandments and do not live righteously, you will become disturbed and have no place with Him in the

kingdom.

Chapter 12

- The Boundaries of the Promised Land
 - Joshua was a type of Christ. Just as Joshua conquered and took possession of the Promised Land, Christ, through His death on the cross, opened the gates of heaven and the kingdom for us to inherit eternal life in the heavenly Canaan.

Review/recap questions:

***Servant may add more questions*

- How did Joshua respond to the coalition of kings?
 - He follows God's command to engage in warfare against the enemies of Israel.
- What role does God play in the battle against the northern kings?
- What was the outcome of the battle?
- What is the main purpose of Chapter 12 in the Book of Joshua?
 - The main purpose is to list and summarize the kings defeated by the Israelites, documenting their conquests and providing a record of Israel's victories and territorial gains.

Homework:

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- What did King Jabin do in response to Joshua's conquests?
 - A) He made a peace treaty with Joshua.
 - B) He formed an alliance with other northern kings against Joshua.**
 - C) He fled to Egypt.
 - D) He joined Joshua in battle.
- What was the purpose of listing the defeated kings in Chapter 12?
 - A) To provide a historical record of Israel's military victories.**
 - B) To suggest future conquests.
 - C) To highlight the need for further battles.
 - D) To document the alliances made with neighboring nations.

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