

JOSHUA WEEK 3 READING PLAN REVIEW



Week 3's readings told us the story of the first 3 battles Israel faced. One, a great victory; the second, a great defeat and the reason why; third, victory. Let's review.

Joshua 6

1. In considering the manner of victory God used to defeat Jericho (marching, trumpet blasts, shout) what ultimately was the means of victory? In other words, what did the people do with what God told them?
2. Jericho and all its inhabitants were to be destroyed. Severe? Yes. However, God is just in what He commanded. These were pagan people with evil practices. The Lord was seeking to protect His people from adopting pagan ways. Sadly, we know how readily they would in days to come.
3. In the midst of this judgement on Jericho, who was saved? What does this tell us?

Joshua 7

1. What does verse 1 inform of us?
2. What do verses 3-4 indicate about Joshua, the spies, and where their confidence was placed?
3. Ai should have been a relatively easy victory. However, defeat came as a result of one man's sin. Does that sound familiar?
4. In verses 6-9, who does Joshua blame? How quickly can our souls despair?
5. Why do you think God's judgement was to the degree it was on Achan, his family, and all he possessed? Remember, he was responsible for the death of 36 soldiers (v.5).

Joshua 8:1-9

1. What difference do you see in the preparation for the battle against Ai compared to the initial battle plan in chapter 7?
2. What are 2 lessons you can apply to life about spiritual warfare from the story of Ai?