

STUDY GUIDE WEEK 20

May 14

ACTS 25-26, PSALM 134

- 1. Who is the new governor that succeeds Felix in Acts 25?
- 2. In Acts 25, who does Paul appeal to in order to avoid being sent back to Jerusalem?
- 3. Who visits Festus in Acts 26 and hears Paul's defense?
- 4.In Acts 26, how does Paul describe his encounter with Jesus on the road to Damascus?

Discussion Question: How do Paul's various hearings and trials in Acts 25-26 emphasize the importance of perseverance and personal testimony in sharing the gospel, even in the face of powerful opposition?



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May 15 ACTS 27-28, PSALM 135

- 1. In Acts 27, what happens to the ship that Paul is on while traveling to Rome? 2. In Acts 28, how does Paul survive a snake bite while on the island of Malta? 3. In Acts 28, who welcomes Paul and his companions when they finally arrive in Rome? 4. At the end of Acts 28, what is Paul's living situation in Rome? Discussion Question: What do the events in Acts 27-28 reveal about God's providence and the importance of faith and perseverance during difficult times? May 16 JOSHUA 1-5, PSALM 136 1. In Joshua 1, who does God command to lead the Israelites into the Promised Land after the death of Moses? 2. In Joshua 2, who hides the Israelite spies in Jericho? 3. What miraculous event occurs in Joshua 3 as the Israelites cross the Jordan River?
- 4. In Joshua 5, what ritual is performed for the Israelite males before entering the Promised Land?

Discussion Question: How do the events in Joshua 1-5 demonstrate the importance of trusting in God's guidance and preparing both spiritually and physically for challenges ahead?

May 17

JOSHUA 6-8, PSALM 137

- 1.In Joshua 6, how do the Israelites capture the city of Jericho?
- 2. What sin does Achan commit in Joshua 7 that leads to the Israelites' defeat at Ai?
 - 3.In Joshua 8, how does Joshua lead the Israelites to victory over the city of Ai?
 - 4. What does Joshua do on Mount Ebal in Joshua 8?

Discussion Question: What lessons can be drawn from the Israelites' experiences in Joshua 6-8 about the importance of obedience to God and learning from past mistakes?

May 18

JOSHUA 9-11, PSALM 138

- 1. In Joshua 9, what deception do the Gibeonites use to secure a treaty with the Israelites?
- 2. How do the Israelites respond when they discover the deception by the Gibeonites?
- 3. What miracle occurs during the battle with the five Amorite kings in Joshua 10?
- ${\bf 4.} Who is the king of Hazor that forms a coalition against the Israelites in Joshua 11?$

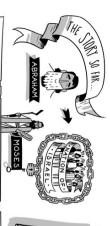
Discussion Question: How do the events in Joshua 9-11 illustrate the importance of seeking God's guidance in making decisions and the consequences of deception?

May 19

JOSHUA 12-16, PSALM 139

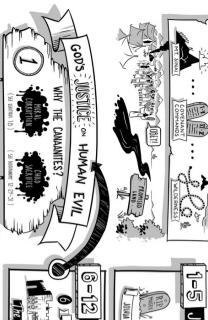
1. What do the Israelites do with the conquered kings in Joshua 12? 2. In Joshua 13, which two and a half tribes are allotted land on the east side of the Jordan River? 3. What is the significance of the city of Hebron in Joshua 14? 4. In Joshua 15, whose daughter is offered as a prize to the man who conquers the city of Debir? Discussion Question: How do the land allotments and inheritances in Joshua 12-16 reflect the faithfulness and promises of God, as well as the individual contributions of the Israelite tribes and leaders? May 20 JOSHUA 17-21, PSALM 140 1. In Joshua 17, which tribe complains about their land allotment, and why? 2. In Joshua 18, where do the Israelites set up the Tent of Meeting? 3. What role do the Levites have in the land allotment in Joshua 21? 4. What is the purpose of the cities of refuge in Joshua 20?

Discussion Question: What do the allotments of land and the establishment of cities of refuge in Joshua 17-21 reveal about the Israelites' understanding of justice, fairness, and the role of the Levites in their society?



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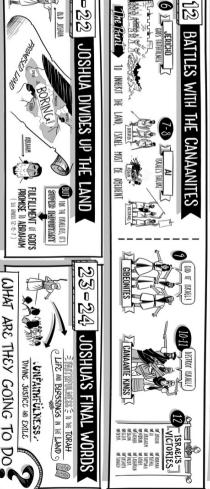




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OBEY THE COMMANDS

JOSHUA LEADS ISRAEL



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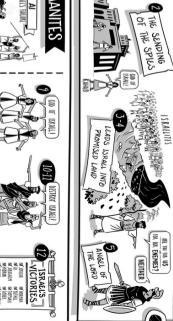
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The Answers

MAY 14

- 1. Festus.
- 2. He appeals to Caesar.
- 3. King Agrippa and his sister Bernice.
- 4. He recounts seeing a light from heaven and hearing Jesus' voice telling him to become a witness for him to the Gentiles.

MAY 15

- 1. It is caught in a storm and eventually shipwrecked on the island of Malta.
- 2. He shakes the snake off into the fire, and he does not suffer any harm.
- 3. The brothers and sisters in Christ from Rome.
- 4. He is under house arrest but allowed to live by himself with a soldier to guard him.

MAY 16

- 1. Joshua.
- 2. Rahab.
- 3. The waters of the Jordan River are cut off, allowing the Israelites to cross on dry ground.
- 4. Circumcision.

MAY 17

- 1. They march around the city for seven days, and on the seventh day, the walls of the city collapse.
- 2. Achan takes plunder from Jericho that was supposed to be devoted to the Lord.
- 3. He devises a battle strategy involving an ambush.
- 4. He builds an altar to the Lord and renews the covenant between the Israelites and God.

The Answers

MAY 18

- The Gibeonites pretend to be from a distant land and wear worn-out clothes and bring moldy bread to deceive the Israelites into making a treaty with them.
- 2. They honor the treaty but make the Gibeonites woodcutters and water carriers for the Israelite community and the altar of the Lord.
- 3. The sun and moon stand still in the sky, allowing the Israelites extra time to defeat their enemies.
- 4. Jabin.

MAY 19

- 1. They list the names of the conquered kings as a record of their victories.
- 2. Reuben, Gad, and the half-tribe of Manasseh.
- 3. Caleb is given the city of Hebron as his inheritance for his faithfulness to the Lord.
- 4. Caleb's daughter, Achsah.

MAY 20

- 1. The tribe of Joseph, because they believe they have not been given enough land due to the size and strength of their tribe.
- 2. Shiloh.
- 3. They are given 48 towns scattered throughout the other tribes' territories, with six of those towns designated as cities of refuge.
- 4. The cities of refuge provide a place where someone accused of manslaughter can flee and find protection until they receive a fair trial.



