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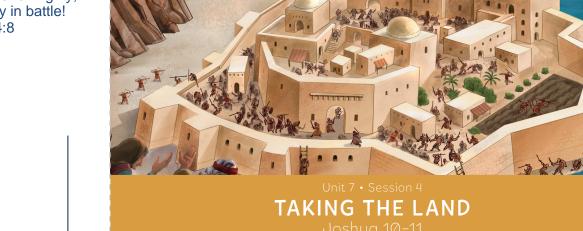
1. What does this story teach me about God or the gospel?

2. What does this story teach me about myself?

3. Are there any commands in this story to obey? How are they for God's glory and my good?

4. Are there any promises in this story to remember? How do they help me trust and love God?

5. How does this story help me to live on mission better?



WHY CAN WE TRUST GOD? WE CAN TRUST GOD BECAUSE HE IS FAITHFUL AND DOES EVERYTHING FOR HIS GLORY AND OUR GOOD.

The king of Jerusalem, Adoni-zedek (ad oh nigh-ZEE dek), heard that Joshua had captured Ai and Jericho. King Adoni-zedek also heard that Israel had made peace with the people of Gibeon, a large city, and he became greatly afraid. So, he made a deal with four kings of other cities: "Come up and help me attack the people of Israel and Gibeon."

The Lord spoke to Joshua and said, "Don't be afraid, because I have already given you victory." Joshua led the Israelites out to fight the five kings and their armies. The Lord made them confused. God sent a storm with large hail to defeat them. On that day, Joshua spoke to the Lord and told the sun to stand still in the sky. God listened to Joshua. The sun stayed in the middle of the sky. The Israelites would have all the time they needed to finish the battle.

God continued to fight for Israel. The Israelites went on to capture six more cities in the Promised Land. The kings of the northern cities joined together to try to defend themselves against the people of God. The Lord spoke to Joshua again: "Don't be afraid, because I will cause all of them to be defeated by you." Joshua and his army completely destroyed the northern cities, just as God had promised. Joshua led the Israelites to take all the land that God had promised. Joshua gave each tribe a portion of the land, and the people had rest from war.

Christ Connection: God fought for Israel, and all their enemies were defeated. Jesus lived a sinless life and defeated our enemies—sin and death—when He died on the cross. If we believe in Him, we receive His righteousness.



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