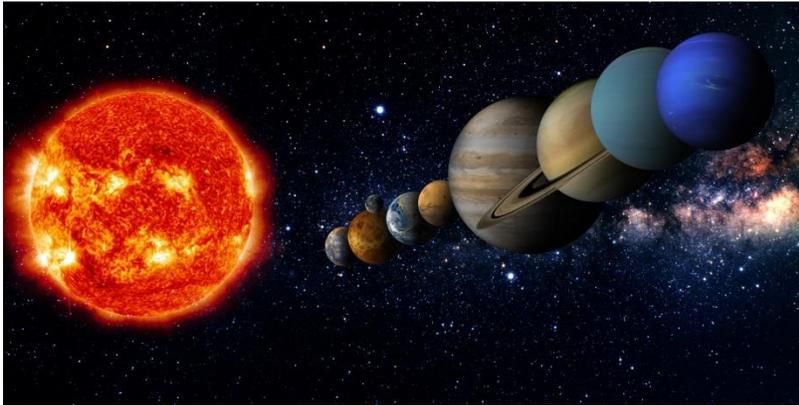


Lesson 13 – Oops, I forgot to consult God

Joshua 9 ¹ Now all the kings west of the Jordan River heard about what had happened. These were the kings of the Hittites, Amorites, Canaanites, Perizzites, Hivites, and Jebusites, who lived in the hill country, in the western foothills, and along the coast of the Mediterranean Sea as far north as the Lebanon mountains. ² These kings combined their armies to fight as one against Joshua and the Israelites.



Daniel 4:32 until you learn that the Most High rules over the kingdoms of the world and gives them to anyone he chooses.

Psalm 2:1–4 (NLT)

¹ Why are the nations so angry? Why do they waste their time with futile plans? ² The kings of the earth prepare for battle; the rulers plot together against the LORD and against his anointed one. ⁴ But the one who rules in heaven laughs. The Lord scoffs at them

Deuteronomy 7:1–2 (NLT)

¹ “When the LORD your God brings you into the land you are about to enter and occupy, he will clear away many nations ahead of you: the Hittites, Girgashites, Amorites, Canaanites, Perizzites, Hivites, and Jebusites. These seven nations are greater and more numerous than you. ² When the LORD your God hands these nations over to you and you conquer them, you must completely destroy them. Make no treaties with them and show them no mercy.

³ But when the people of Gibeon heard what Joshua had done to Jericho and Ai,



⁴ they resorted to deception to save themselves.

They sent ambassadors to Joshua, loading their donkeys with weathered saddlebags and old, patched wineskins. ⁵ They put on worn-out, patched sandals and ragged clothes. And the bread they took with them was dry and moldy. ⁶ When they arrived at the camp of Israel at Gilgal, they told Joshua and the men of Israel, “We have come from a distant land to ask you to make a peace treaty with us.”

⁷ The Israelites replied to these Hivites, “How do we know you don’t live nearby? For if you do, we cannot make a treaty with you.”

⁸ They replied, “We are your servants.” “But who are you?” Joshua demanded. “Where do you come from?” ⁹ They answered, “Your servants have come from a very distant country. We have heard of the might of the LORD your God and of all he did in Egypt.

¹⁰ We have also heard what he did to the two Amorite kings east of the Jordan River—King Sihon of Heshbon and King Og of Bashan (who lived in Ashtaroth). ¹¹ So our elders and all our people instructed us, ‘Take supplies for a long journey. Go meet with the people of Israel and tell them, “We are your servants; please make a treaty with us.”’ ¹² “This bread was hot from the ovens when we left our homes. But now, as you can see, it is dry and moldy. ¹³ These wineskins were new when we filled them, but now they are old and split open. And our clothing and sandals are worn out from our very long journey.”

1 Samuel 23:1–4 (NLT)

¹ One day news came to David that the Philistines were at Keilah stealing grain from the threshing floors

² David asked the LORD, “Should I go and attack them?” “Yes, go and save Keilah,” the LORD told him. ³ But David’s men said, “We’re afraid even here in Judah. We certainly don’t want to go to Keilah to fight the whole Philistine army!”

⁴ So David asked the LORD again, and again the LORD replied, “Go down to Keilah, for I will help you conquer the Philistines.”

1 Samuel 30:1–8 (NLT)

¹ Three days later, when David and his men arrived home at their town of Ziklag, they found that the Amalekites had made a raid into the Negev and Ziklag; they had crushed Ziklag and burned it to the ground. ² They had carried off the women and children and everyone else but without killing anyone. ³ When David and his men saw the ruins and realized what had happened to their families, ⁴ they wept until they could weep no more.

⁸ Then David asked the LORD, “Should I chase after this band of raiders? Will I catch them?” And the LORD told him, “Yes, go after them. You will surely recover everything that was taken from you!”

1 Chronicles 28:2–3 (NASB95)

² Then King David rose to his feet and said, “Listen to me, my brethren and my people; I *had* intended to build a permanent home for the ark of the covenant of the LORD

and for the footstool of our God. So I had made preparations to build *it*.³ "But God said to me, 'You shall not build a house for My name because you are a man of war and have shed blood.'

James 1:5 If any of you lacks wisdom, you should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to you.

Nehemiah 7:5 (AMP)

⁵ And my God put it into my mind *and* heart...

2 Samuel 7:1–7 (NASB95)

¹ Now it came about when the king lived in his house, and the LORD had given him rest on every side from all his enemies,² that the king said to Nathan the prophet, "See now, I dwell in a house of cedar, but the ark of God dwells within tent curtains."³ Nathan said to the king, "Go, do all that is in your mind, for the LORD is with you."

⁴ But in the same night the word of the LORD came to Nathan, saying,⁵ "Go and say to My servant David, 'Thus says the LORD, "Are you the one who should build Me a house to dwell in?"

8"Now therefore, thus you shall say to My servant David, 'Thus says the LORD of hosts, "I took you from the pasture, from following the sheep, to be ruler over My people Israel. "I have been with you wherever you have

gone and have cut off all your enemies from before you; and I will make you a great name, like the names of the great men who are on the earth.

2 Samuel 7:12–13 (NASB95)

¹² “When your days are complete and you lie down with your fathers, I will raise up your descendant after you, who will come forth from you, and I will establish his kingdom. ¹³ “He shall build a house for My name, and I will establish the throne of his kingdom forever.

¹⁵ Then Joshua made a peace treaty with them and guaranteed their safety, and the leaders of the community ratified their agreement with a binding oath. ¹⁶ Three days after making the treaty, they learned that these people actually lived nearby! ¹⁷ The Israelites set out at once to investigate and reached their towns in three days. The names of these towns were Gibeon, Kephirah, Beeroth, and Kiriath-jearim. ¹⁸ But the Israelites did not attack the towns, for the Israelite leaders had made a vow to them in the name of the LORD, the God of Israel. The people of Israel grumbled against their leaders because of the treaty. ¹⁹ But the leaders replied, “Since we have sworn an oath in the presence of the LORD, the God of Israel, we cannot touch them.

²⁰ This is what we must do. We must let them live, for divine anger would come upon us if we broke our oath. ²¹ Let them live.” So they made them woodcutters and water carriers for the entire community, as the Israelite leaders directed. ²² Joshua called together the Gibeonites and said, “Why did you lie to us? Why did you say that you live in a distant land when you live right here among us? ²³ May

you be cursed! From now on you will always be servants who cut wood and carry water for the house of my God.”²⁴ They replied, “We did it because we—your servants—were clearly told that the LORD your God commanded his servant Moses to give you this entire land and to destroy all the people living in it. So we feared greatly for our lives because of you. That is why we have done this.²⁵ Now we are at your mercy—do to us whatever you think is right.”²⁶ So Joshua did not allow the people of Israel to kill them.²⁷ But that day he made the Gibeonites the woodcutters and water carriers for the community of Israel and for the altar of the LORD—wherever the LORD would choose to build it. And that is what they do to this day.

1 peter 3:1 Likewise, wives, be subject to your own husbands, so that even if some do not obey the word, they may be won without a word by the conduct of their wives,

Psalm 139:19 For you created my inmost being; you knit me together in my mother's womb.