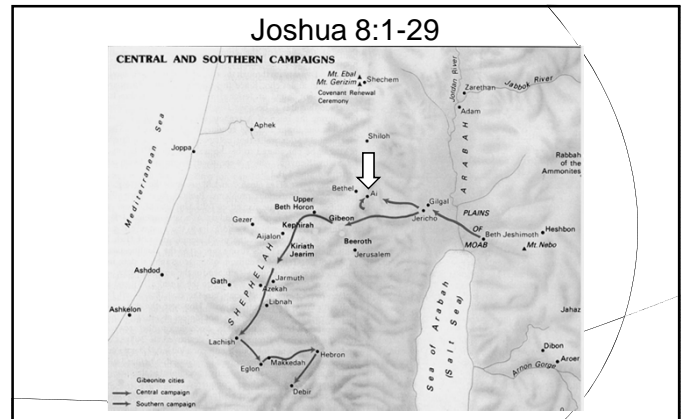


## Inheriting the Land of Promise

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## Conquest of Ai

### 1. The Lord's Victory

- the victory over Ai was the Lord's work in faithfulness to His covenant promise

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#### ➤ *Lessons*

- (1) God's people are completely dependent on God's power for any success

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- (2) God employs ordinary means as His usual method of accomplishing His purposes

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- (3) God's favorable presence is intended to drive out fear and discouragement, even after failure

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### 2. The Lord's Generosity

- He allowed Israel to take the spoil and livestock of Ai for themselves

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#### ➤ *Lessons*

- (1) God delights to give good gifts to His people and to deliver them from temptation

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- (2) The sin of coveting is a denial of God's goodness and generosity

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#### ➤ *Lessons*

- (3) Obedience and self-denial lead ultimately to real pleasure; disobedience leads to ruin

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### 3. The Lord's Judgment

- the destruction of the inhabitants of Ai was the Lord's judgment on an idolatrous people
- this was a temporal, representative expression of God's ultimate judgment on unrepentant, idolatrous enemies

## Conclusion

*Is the Lord for you or against you?*