

OBEDIENTLY ELIMINATING IDOLATRY

Joshua 10:28-11:23

As for Makkedah, Joshua captured it on that day and struck it, and its king, with the edge of the sword. He devoted to destruction every person in it; he left none remaining. And he did to the king of Makkedah just as he had done to the king of Jericho.

Joshua 10:28

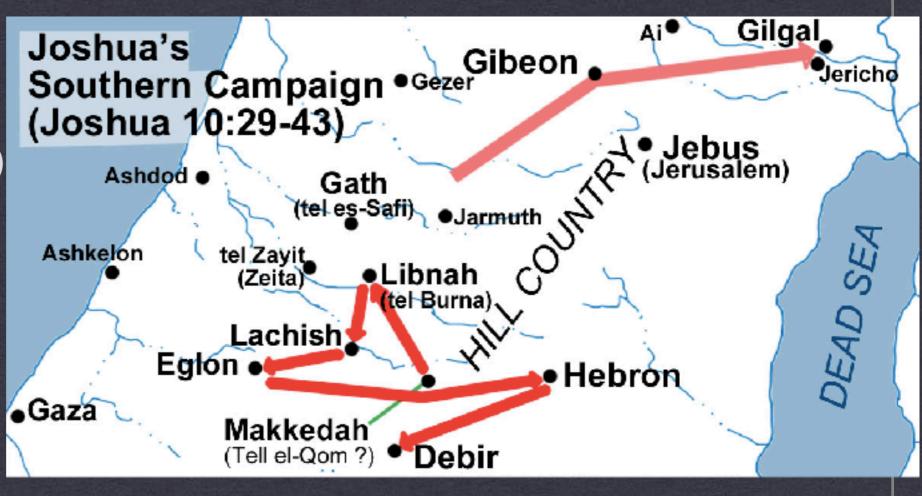
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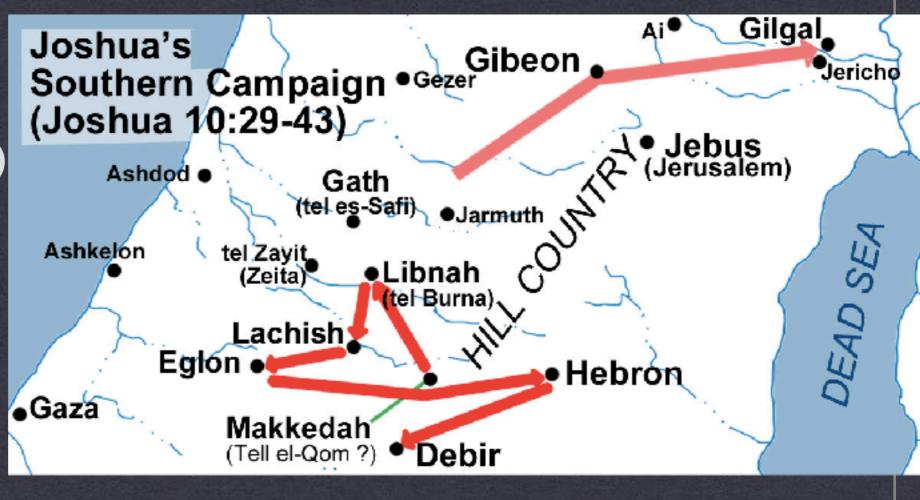
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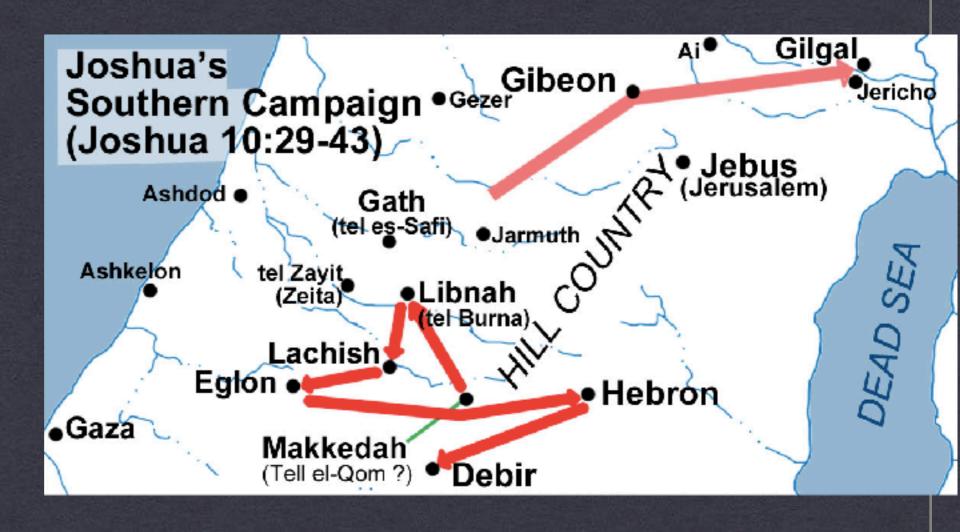
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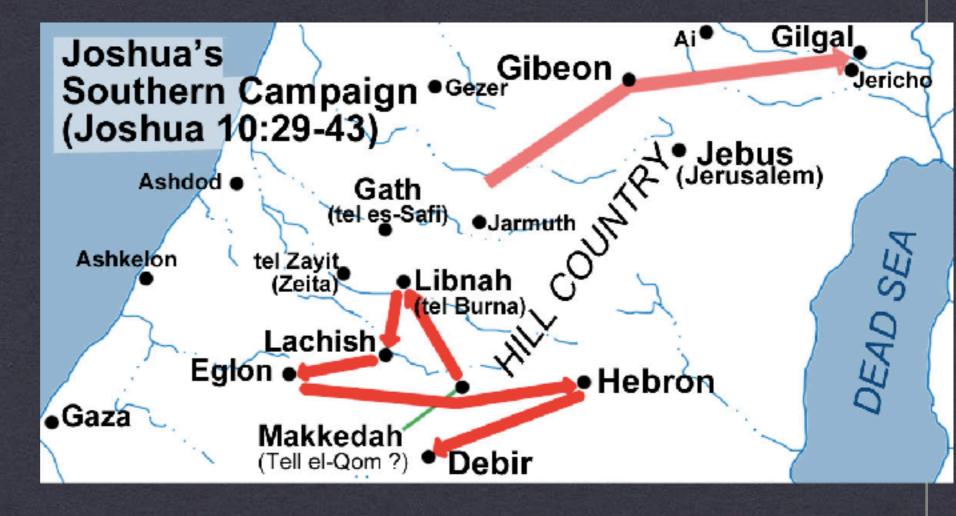
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And the Lord said to Joshua,
"Do not be afraid of them,
for tomorrow at this time I will give over all of them,
slain, to Israel.

You shall hamstring their horses and burn their chariots with fire."

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And they struck with the sword all who were in it, devoting them to destruction there was none left that breathed. And he burned Hazor with fire. And all the cities of those kings, and all their kings, Joshua captured, and struck them with the edge of the sword, devoting them to destruction, just as Moses the servant of the Lord had commanded. But none of the cities that stood on mounds did Israel burn, except Hazor alone; that Joshua burned. And all the spoil of these cities and the livestock, the people of Israel took for their plunder. But every person they struck with the edge of the sword until they had destroyed them, and they did not leave any who breathed. Just as the Lord had commanded Moses his servant, so Moses commanded Joshua, and so Joshua did. He left nothing undone of all that the Lord had commanded Moses. Joshua 11:11-15

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Joshua 10:42

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C.S. LEWIS — "THE GREAT DIVORCE"

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