

# Victorious Christian Living

## PART 11

### For the Rest of Your Life • Joshua 11

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#### I. With the Central and Southern campaigns over, Joshua's attention turns to the north.

- A. When King Jabin hears of this the northern kings **unite** for battle.
  
- B. Israel's **victory** had already been determined by God (Josh. 11: 20; Lev. 18:21-24; Deut. 18:9-12).
  
- C. God has **limits** when it comes to reaching out to those who reject Him (Gen. 6:3a, 5-6; Ezek. 33:11; Deut. 9:1-6; Titus 3:5a; Heb. 10:23).

#### II. When news of the Northern alliance comes, Joshua is struck with fear (v.6).

- A. He's up against a **new class** of enemy.
  
- B. As they advance deeper the enemy does not come in the **same fashion** (2 Cor. 11:14b).

#### III. So how can we have peace/rest if we're going to battle the enemy for the rest of our lives?

- A. Acknowledge that God really does **care** about you (1 Peter 5:7; Ps. 139:4; Matt. 11:28).
  
- B. Take time to **pray** and **listen** (Jam. 4:3; Ps. 37:4; Is. 28:12).
  
- C. Do things **God's way** (Josh. 1:8).

Pray boldly, listen carefully, respond obediently.

#### IV. Joshua took the entire land just as the Lord had directed Moses.

- A. The land was taken **little by little** (Deut. 7:22; Ex. 23:28-30).
  
- B. The things under the curse were **destroyed** (Josh. 11: 6; II Kgs. 23:11; Eph. 4:31).

#### V. The land rested from war.

- A. The major wars were over. They could finally go about **claiming** their inheritance.
  
- B. They still had to conquer **pockets** of **resistance** (Josh. 13:1).
  
- C. Scholars indicate they didn't completely take all that was promised them because, well, they just got **tired** (Ps. 69:3; Ecc. 12:12; II Sam. 23:10a; Ps. 6:6-7; Is. 40: 28-31; Eph. 2:14a; II Tim. 4:7-8).



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