

## Welcome to *Faith Bible Church!*

April 3, 2022

### Order of Service:

Opening Hymn: *Virginia Grosskurth*

Invocation

Scripture Reading: *Tracey South*

Announcements

Pastoral Prayer

Hymn: Virginia Grosskurth

Message: *The Last Stand of the Canaanites*  
(Joshua 11:1-23)

Blest Be The Tie That Binds

### Announcements

**Josh and Marcia** can't find affordable housing in this area, so they'll be moving soon. Wish them well, and keep them and their daughters Lydia and Emily in your prayers.

**Dave Stewart articles** will continue to appear in the *Berean Searchlight* magazine, thanks to a transcription service Pastor Kevin Sadler discovered. All we have to do is provide them with Dave's messages, and they will type them out. If you have a favorite message of his, please tell Pastor Kurth.

**Our offering box** is located just left of the kitchen door.

**Pick up** today's cross reference sheet & silence your phone.

**Joshua 10:1-27** *Joshua Honors the Peace Treaty*

Adonizek feared the Gibeonites joined Israel to make themselves strong enough to attack him. And Gibeon was *already* a "great" and "mighty" nation (v.2), so strong the king of the *country* of Gibeon felt safe living there, making it a "royal" city (v.2). So he invited other kings to help him *attack Gibeon* (v.3,4), and Gibeon asked Israel for help (v.5,6).

Joshua honored the league that he made with Gibeon, and even marched "all night" to get there (v.7-9). He "discomfit-ed" those Canaanites (v.10), which means *to scatter* (IISam. 22:14-16), but to scatter people *after you've conquered them*. When the survivors tried to escape, God sent hailstones that killed more of them than the Jews did (Josh.10:11).

The battles the Jews fought here to possess the Promised Land were types of the battles that future Jews will fight after Armageddon to possess the kingdom. After defeating "the Assyrian" (i.e., Antichrist) for them, God will once again use hail to scatter their enemies (Isa.30:27-32; Rev.16:16,21).

God helped Joshua in this type of that by stopping the sun and moon so he could finish smiting the Canaanites (Josh.10: 12,13). He either stopped the earth's rotation, or else slowed the sun's movement to match the earth's rotation. Like all other stars, the sun moves in a "circuit" in heaven around the north star (Ps.19:4-6). So the north star is either heaven, or heaven hides from our telescopes right behind it. We know heaven is north (Ps.48:1-3; Isa.14:13,14). The moon revolv-es around the earth, so perhaps God made its rotation match earth's. It says that the sun "stood still" because God used the language of

accommodation, accommodating His words to the limited understanding of men back then. Even today, however, the weatherman predicts the time of “sunrise.”

God stopped the sun so the Jews could get be “avenged” on their enemies (v.13). God was not a bully beating up on men here. He was just taking vengeance *on men who bullied His people in Israel*. We know those future Jews will *also* be avenging their fellow Jews whom the beast will kill, for we hear them praying for it (Rev.6:8-10). “The book of Jasher” (Josh.10:13) isn’t in the Bible, but the Bible mentions other noncanonical books (Num.21:14; IIChron.29:29). But we can be sure we have all the books that *God* wrote by comparing Isaiah’s 66 chapters to the 66 books of the Bible.

God turned back the sun *for Hezekiah* as a sign He’d keep His word, and not to hearken to Hezekiah’s voice, so it’s true there was no day like that (v.14). But *there will be again* af-ter Armageddon (Zech.14:1-7). God will stop the sun again so future Jews can tear through Antichrist’s armies after the Lord defeats him (Micah 5:2,5,8). Then the nations will be “confounded” by the “might” of the Jews (Micah 7:14-16).

God finally let the sun go down so the Jews could go home and rest (Josh.10:15-18). But then Joshua heard those 5 cowardly kings were hiding in a cave, so he ordered a stone rolled over it. Men were often buried that way (cf.Jo.11:38), so they were symbolically *wishing for death*. Joshua made them wait for death though, as he pursued their armies (10:18-24). Putting their feet on the necks of those kings was symbolic of Malachi 4:1-3 and Psalm 47:1-3, but *that too* will just be vengeance (cf.Rev.47:1-3). Future Jews will be on the run from the beast, as David was from Saul (Ps.18). God never discomfited *David’s* enemies with hail or lightning (v.6,13,14), and David never put his

feet on his enemy’s neck (v.40,42); he was speaking of future Jews.

Joshua hung those 5 kings on trees (Josh10:25-27) to *curse* them (Deut.21:23). Christ was hung on one (IPet.2:24) because *He* was cursed *for us* (Gal.3:13). If you reject His sacrifice, *you* have to be cursed, as we see pictured with these kings. If you reject His sacrifice, you have to *become your own sacrifice* to pay for your sins at the Lord’s coming (Zep.1:7; Isa.34:6; Jer.46:1,10), then in hell (Mark 9:47-49).

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Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.

*Thornton Harrison, Assistant Pastor Paul Balbach*

Morning Service: 10:45 a.m.

*Pastor Ricky Kurth*

Junior Church: 10:45 a.m.

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