

Joshua: God's Leader
Joshua 11

Joshua: God's Chosen Leader of Israel

In the Hebrew text the book bears the superscription *Yhosua*, the name of the leading figure, Joshua. His name and the title of the book mean "Yahweh saves" or "Yahweh is salvation." The title therefore suitably describes what God used Joshua to do, as recorded in this book, namely, to save His people by conquering Canaan and apportioning it to Israel as their promised homeland.

The author of the book is unknown, but it appears to be someone who was an eyewitness to the events that took place

The purpose of the Book of Joshua is to give an official account of the historical fulfillment of the Lord's promise to the patriarchs to give Israel the land of Canaan by holy war. A holy war was a conflict with religious overtones rather than one with a political motivation of defense or expansion.

The Bible Knowledge Commentary, Old Testament, Donald K. Campbell

The Northern Kings Gather Against Israel:

Joshua 11: 1-5

The Battle at Merom:

Vv. 6-9

The Northern Coalition Defeated:

Vv. 10 - 15

The Northern Kingdoms Defeated:

Vv. 16, 17

Joshua and Israel Rest from their Conquest:

Vv. 18-23

Small Group Discussion:

- 1. Why did Joshua destroy all the people, livestock and the kings?**
- 2. Discuss why Joshua was so victorious in these various conquests?**
- 3. How are believers victorious today?**
- 4. Discuss verse 12 in relation to Numbers 33: 50-56 .**
- 5. All the land that Joshua had taken by the hand of the Lord is known as what?**

Next Week's Lesson:

Joshua Chapter 23