

# JOSHUA CHAPTER SEVEN

## “SIN IN THE CAMP” (PART 2)

### I. THE DISOBEDIENCE OF ACHAN

### II. THE DISASTER AT AI

### III. THE DESPAIR OF JOSHUA

### IV. THE DECLARATION BY GOD

### V. THE DEVASTATION OF SIN

#### A. Notice the mercy & patience of God.

*Isaiah 55:6-7; Psalm 86:5; John 3:19-21; 1 John 1:6-9 -*

#### B. Consider the confession of compulsion!

1) Confession of sin gives glory to God because confessing sin is to “agree” with God!

2) Achan reveals that he FULLY understands his sin; he’s not ignorant!

3) Achan’s sin led himself and his family into destruction.

Note: The greatest gift you can give your family is a godly & holy life!

***Deuteronomy 24:16 - “Fathers shall not be put to death because of their children, nor shall children be put to death because of their fathers. Each one shall be put to death for his own sin.”***

***Romans 6:23a - “The wages of sin is death...”***

### VI. THE DELIVERANCE FROM WRATH

A. This is now the 3rd pile of memorial stones that Israel has set up.

B. One need not face the burning anger of God!

C. Praise God!!! The “Valley of Achor” is NOT the end of the story!

*Hosea 2:14-20 -*

***John 10:9 - “I am the door. If anyone enters by Me, he will be saved and will go in and out and find pasture.”***

## VII. THE DISCERNMENT FOR US

### A. BE WATCHFUL... the Sin that Tempted Achan, Tempts YOU too!

1) Achan was arrogant.

**Proverbs 15:25a; Psalm 101:5b; Proverbs 16:5-6; Isaiah 66:2b -**

2) Achan was enslaved to his attraction.

**1 John 2:16-17; Hebrews 11:24-26; Psalm 84:1-2, 10 -**

3) Achan was apathetic.

**Romans 2:4-5; Proverbs 29:1 -**

4) Achan trusted in his anonymity.

**Romans 2:6-8; Proverbs 15:3 -**

### B. BE DECISIVE... Go on the Offensive to Expose & Repent of Sin!

*John Owen - "Be always at it while you live; cease not a day from this work; be killing sin or it will be killing you."*

1) When you become aware of temptation, be prayerful & consider your Savior.

**Hebrews 12:1-2 -**

*So what are we supposed to remember exactly about Jesus???*

Remember His PERSON... His PASSION... His POSITION... His PROMISE to Return

**1 Corinthians 10:13; Matthew 26:41; 1 John 3:2-3 -**

2) When you are confronted with temptation, review the consequences of sin.

**Proverbs 5:7-14 -**

3) When battling sin, draw your sword!

**Psalm 119:9-11 -**

*Charles Spurgeon - "Dusty Bibles lead to dirty lives."*

4) In every season & stage of life, strive to cultivate discipline & self-control!

**2 Peter 1:5-8; 1 Timothy 4:7b-8 -**