



Sermon Series: "Power of God"
Sermon Title: "The Lord Fights for His People"
Scripture: Joshua 10
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Introduction: To be an enemy of Gibeon made you an enemy of Israel. An enemy of God's people is an enemy of God.

1. Gibeon desperately _____ for Israel's integrity for aid. (v. 6)

Scripture: Psalm 79:8-9; Isaiah 55:6-7

- Like Gibeon, our appeals for divine rescue rely on God's _____, not our merit.

2. Joshua's confidence in God led to courageous _____. (v. 7, 9, 12-42)

Scripture: Joshua 1:5-6; 1 Corinthians 16:13-14

- Joshua faced Gibeon's enemies without hesitation.
- Joshua trusted God for a miracle without wavering.
- Joshua finished off the kings of the alliance with conviction.
- Joshua conquered Southern Canaan without stopping.

Biblical courage is simply bold action based in an overwhelming _____ in almighty God.

3. God graciously applied His promises to His people's present _____. (v. 8)

"This is what God's people usually need--not new truth, but old truth freshly applied to their current need." (Dale Ralph Davis)

- God's promises do not free His people from action, rather His promises free us to act in _____ confidence (Daniel 11:32)

4. God's power was gloriously displayed as He _____ for His people. (v. 10-14, 30-42)

Scripture: Jeremiah 20:11; Zephaniah 3:17; Exodus 15:2-3; Romans 8:37

- God threw the alliance into a _____. (v. 10; Psalms 33:10-11)
- God threw down deadly _____ from heaven. (v. 11; Psalms 18:14)
- God threw the sun and moon into _____. (v. 12-14; Isaiah 28:21)

Conclusion:

- For the undeserving: Appeal to God's grace.
- For the overwhelmed: Trust in God's promises.
- For those in the fight: Act in God's power.

Questions for Further Study, Reflection, and Application...

- In what ways do you sometimes feel under assault by the world, our flesh and Satan himself?
- What action of Joshua seemed to be the most courageous? Why?
- Why do believers often live in fear and inactivity rather than taking courageous action?
- Which promises of God are most helpful in your current circumstances?
- What was the significance of having the leaders of the army put their feet on the necks of the 5 kings?
- In what ways do we try to fight our own battles rather than relying on God?