

## Outline of Joshua

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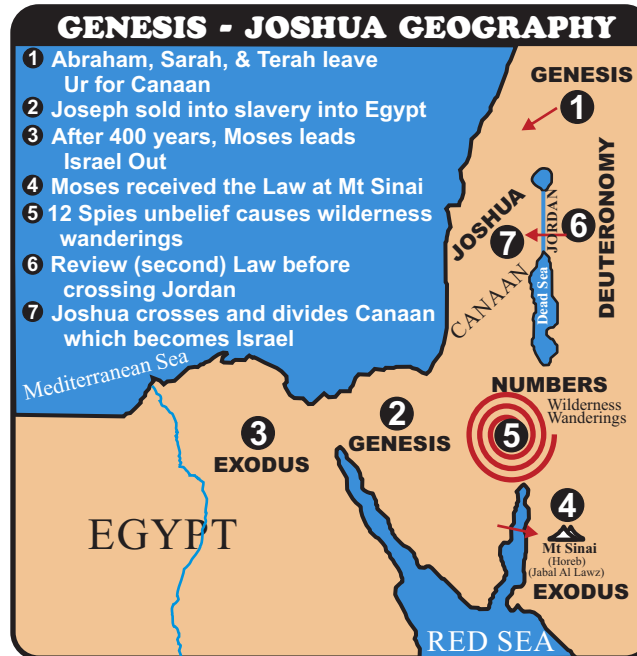
Most believe that Joshua wrote the book that bears his name. The last few verse may have ben penned by a scribe. Joshua (name means "Yahweh is salvation"). He is one of the two faithful spies from the previous generation. He and Caleb spent the night at Rahab's home. She hid them on her roof as an expression of faith (2:4-13).

Joshua records a story of promise and unfortunately of contradiction as well. God gave the land to the nation as He promised. However, the people failed to remove all the inhabitants. The Canaanites, for example, through the years were a damaging influence on Israel.

Joshua is often associated with Canaan, and Canaan is a picture of spiritual rest and victory to be enjoyed by believers as they rest by faith in Jesus Christ. Physically, Canaan was the destination God was leading the people to. Possessing the land was according to God's promise to Abraham.

# JOSHUA

*After the death of Moses, Joshua took up the mantle of leadership. Moses led the Israelites out of Egypt. Now Joshua is leading them into the Promised Land.*



## Victory at Jericho

Joshua led the people to cross the Jordan and to lay siege to the city of Jericho. God told Joshua to march around the city once every day for six days with the priests carrying ram's horns in front of the ark. On the seventh day they were to march around the city seven times and the priest's were to blow their ram's horns. They did as God told them, and the walls of the city collapsed. The Israelites were able to charge straight into the city. The city was completely destroyed except for Rahab and her family who were spared because she expressed faith as she hid Joshua and Caleb.

## HISTORY

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## Defeat at Ai

Israel's fame spread throughout the land. However, Israel is humiliated when they attempt to take the next city, Ai. God told them the reason for the disaster was because Achan, an Israelite, stole religious items from Jericho. After the people stoned Achan, the renewed attempt was successful.

## Deceit of Gibeon and Sun Stood Still

Israel's fame spread throughout the land. Their fame caused such fear in the region. The people of Gibeon visited the Israelite camp in disguise. They claimed to be travelers and requested peace with Israel. Joshua did not ask the Lord and made a hasty treaty with the men. They later found out that they were natives of the land they were to conquer. Israel did not attack the Gibeonites. However, five other kings attacked them because they made the agreement with Israel. Israel came to Gibeon's aid. Joshua asked God to stop the sun (stood still) until they finished the battle.



## CHRIST IN JOSHUA

- Joshua pictured Christ as the Captain of our salvation (He.2:10-11), leading the people in the Spirit
- Rahab spared and is in the birth line of Christ