

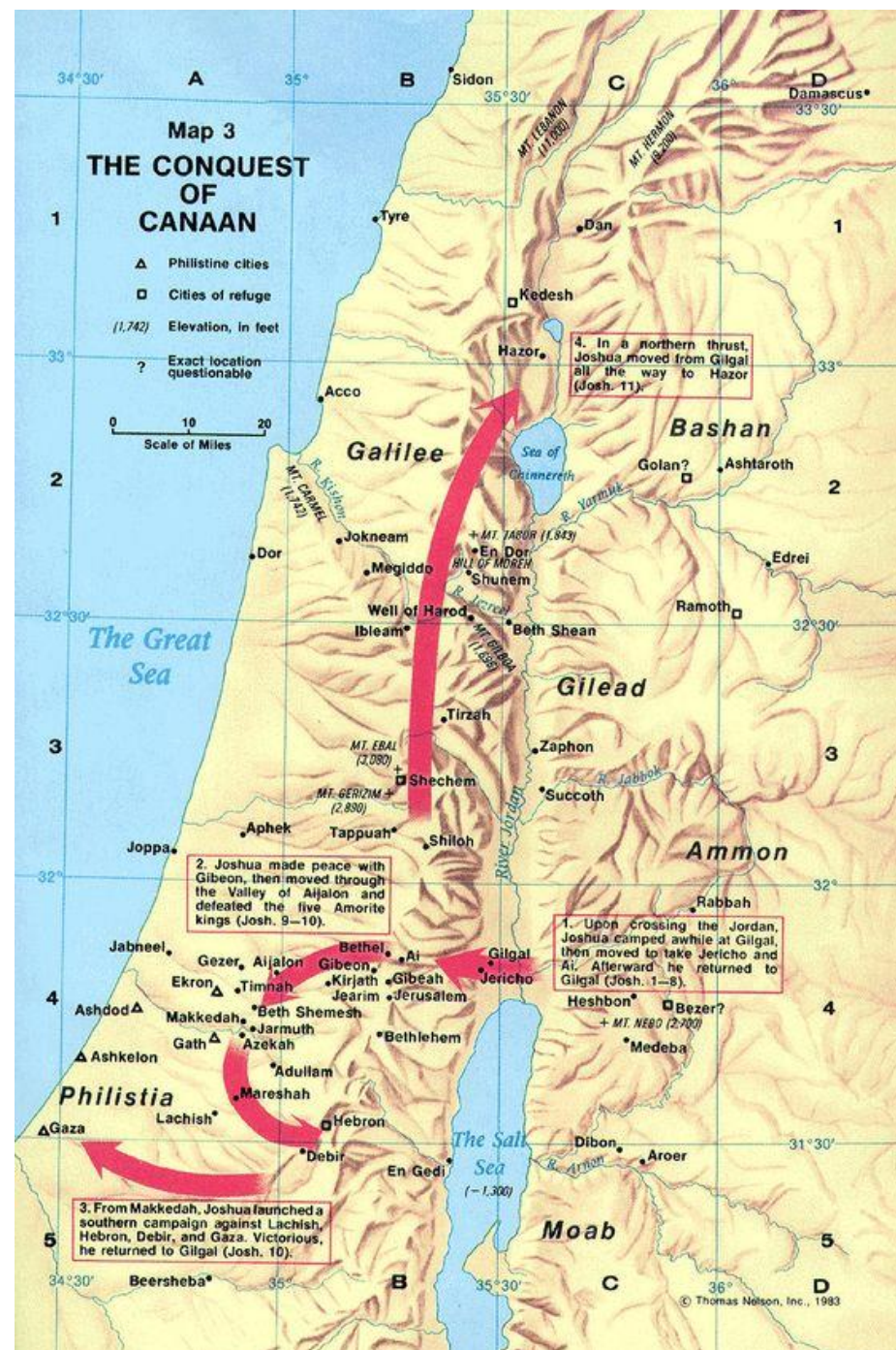
The LORD Reigns: Completing the Conquest of Canaan

Joshua 10:29-12:24



The Strategy of the Conquest:

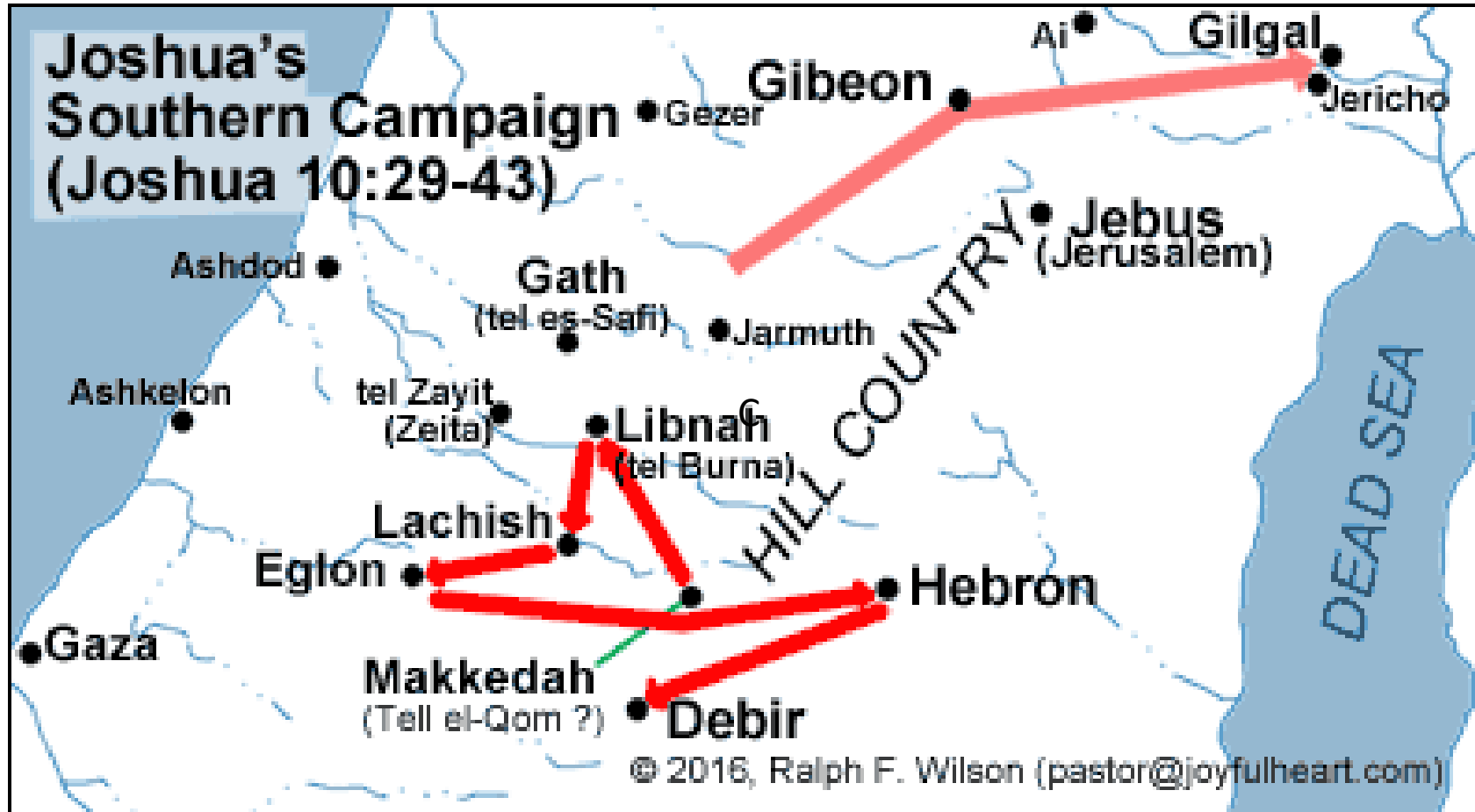
Taking control of the central Hill Country of Canaan, followed by the Southern and Northern campaigns.



The Southern Campaign (10:29-43)

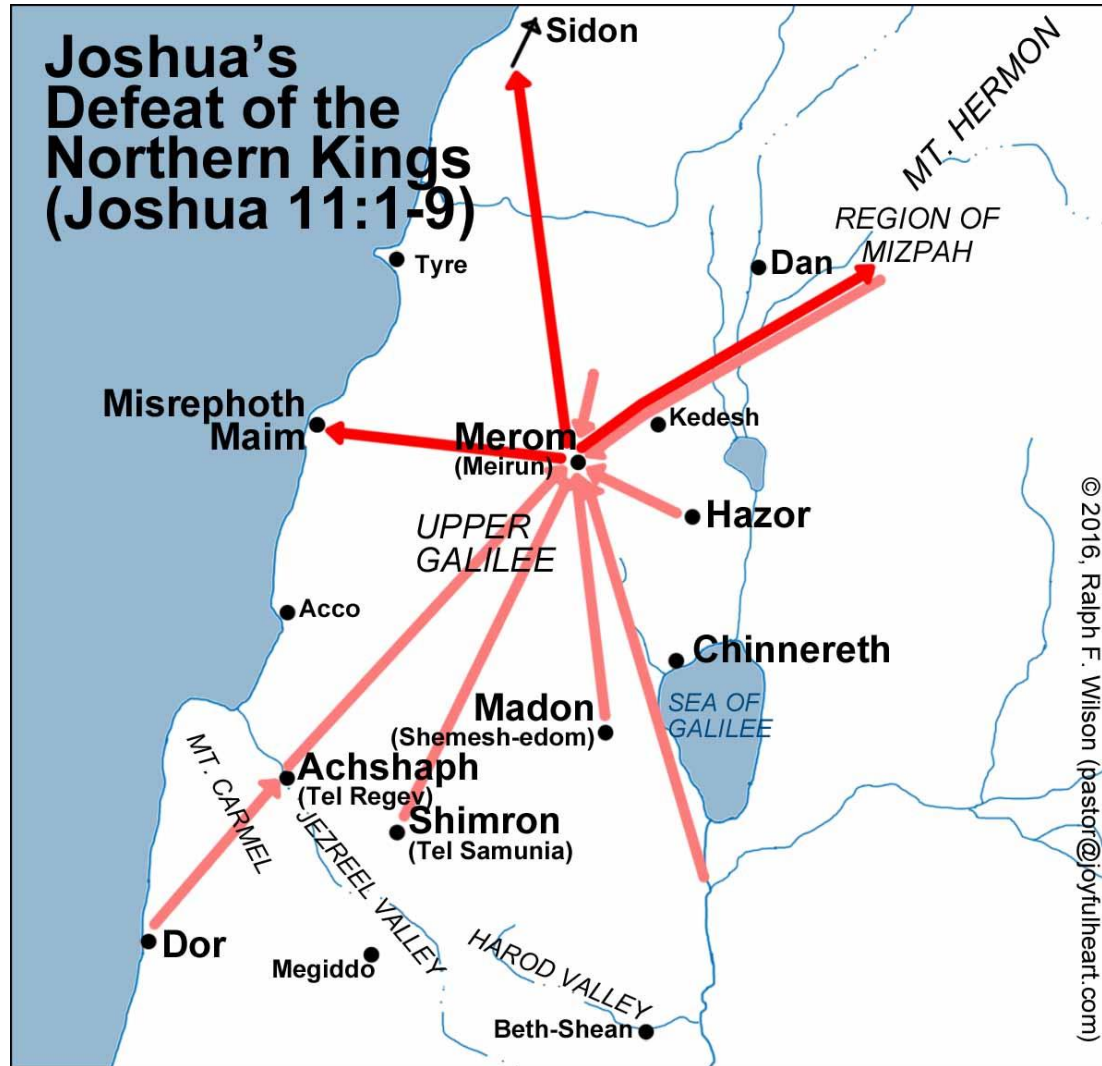
Joshua and all Israel with him:

<u>Fought Against</u>	<u>Outcome</u>	<u>Extent of Destruction</u>	<u>As had done to:</u>
Libnah (29)	Lord gave it with its king into the hands of Israel	Left no survivor	Jericho
Lachish (31)	Lord gave it into the hands of Israel	Everyone struck with the sword	Libnah
(Horam king of Gezer attacked Joshua) (33)	Joshua defeated him and his people	No survivors	
Eglon (34)	They captured it	Utterly destroyed every person	Lachish
Hebron (36)	Captured it, struck king, all cities, all persons	Left no survivor, utterly destroyed it and every person	Eglon
Debir (38)	Captured it and its king and all its cities	Left no survivor, utterly destroyed every person	Hebron and Libnah



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- A powerful assurance (6-9)
 - The LORD's promise and instruction (6)
 - Joshua's response (7-9)
- The capture of Hazor and conquest of the north (10-12)
- Receiving the spoils of war (13-14)
- The character of Joshua (15)

Summarizing the Two Campaigns (11:16-23)

- Recapping the extent of the conquest (16-17)
- The timeframe of the conquest (18)
- God's grace and God's judgment on display (19-20)

“The Canaanites day of grace was gone. They had sinned against the light of God’s revelation in nature (Psalm 19; Romans 1:18-20), in conscience (Romans 2:14-16) and in His recent miraculous works at the Red Sea, Jordan River and Jericho. Now the sovereign God confirmed the hearts of these unrepentant people in their stubborn unbelief before judging them.” - Donald Campbell

“God turned the Canaanites’ hearts to fight in order that Israel might be His judgment instrument to destroy them. They were willfully guilty of rejecting the true God with consequent wickedness, and were as unfit to remain in the Land a vomit spewed out of the mouth.” – John MacArthur

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- But what about the "giants in the land"? (21-22)
- Control achieved (23)

Summarizing the Entire Conquest (12:1-24)

- Summary given by providing a list of defeated kings (1)
- East of the Jordan: Sihon and Og, defeated by Moses (2-6)
- West of the Jordan: 31 kings, defeated by Joshua (7-24)

Conclusions / Application

- Joshua was successful because his pattern of life was to obey the word of the Lord. He took the Lord's commands seriously, believed His promises and acted on them. Joshua 1:6-8; 10:40, 11:9, 12, 15, 23
- How seriously do we take the Lord's instruction to us?
- God is always faithful to His promises
 - He was faithful to His promises to Joshua
 - His judgment is real and it is certain
 - His grace is immense and free
- These verses remind us of God's sovereign power and the reality that His power cannot be thwarted by anyone
- Our God reigns