

Joshua Prayed for Help

Session 2024-28

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Hi Tweens,

Opening Prayer (Matthew 6:9-13)

“Pray then like this: ‘Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.’” Amen.

The story in this week’s lesson “**Joshua Prayed for Help!**” is from the book of Joshua. God hears people pray for help. God also answers prayers according to His eternal purposes. **Enjoy this week’s story!**

Bible Passage: Joshua 10:1-14

Memory Verse: Isaiah 12:2 NIV

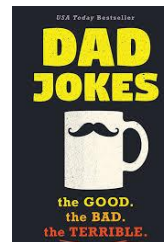
*Surely God is my salvation;
I will trust and not be afraid.
The Lord, the Lord himself, is my strength and
my defense[a];
he has become my salvation.”.*

Bible Verse: Psalm 62:8 NIV

*Trust in him at all times, you people;
pour out your hearts to him,
for God is our refuge.*

Text Truth: God hears and answers our prayers according to His eternal purpose.

Bible Skills Spotlight: Understand that the truths in the Bible are without error and will never change.



Did you hear the **song** about the tortilla? Actually, it’s was more of a **wrap**.

Here are your 3 random questions:

1. Question 581: Are you an introvert or extrovert? (*extrovert*)
2. Question 574: Have you ever been in a submarine? (Yes)
3. Question 567: A secret you’ve been wanting to share. (*I like SpongeBob shows.*)

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- “Do you remember which group tricked Joshua and the Israelites in our story last week?” (*the Gibeonites*)
- “Last week, our story was about how Joshua did not seek God’s guidance and was tricked into helping people who lied to him.”
- “In our Bible story today, we are going to read about how Joshua prayed for help from God to defeat five kings who attacked the people of Gibeon.”
- “What do you think the weapons were like when Joshua and the Israelites were fighting battles?”
- “Joshua and the Israelites were skilled fighters, but they had something even more important than skill and weapons—they had God. Joshua prayed to God and God answered his prayers.”
- “I can’t wait to read Joshua and see how God heard and answered Joshua’s prayer.”

ENJOY THIS WEEK’S STORY!

Joshua and the Israelites defeated the people at Jericho by following God’s instructions. When the people of Gibeon heard what happened at Jericho, they came up with a plan to trick the Israelites. They lied to Joshua about where they were from. Joshua agreed to make a treaty with the people of Gibeon.

Later, the king of Jerusalem heard about the treaty the Israelites made with the people of Gibeon. He was worried. Gibeon was a large city with warriors. So, the king of Jerusalem sent word to the kings of Hebron, Jarmuth, Lachish, and Eglon. The five kings agreed to attack Gibeon.

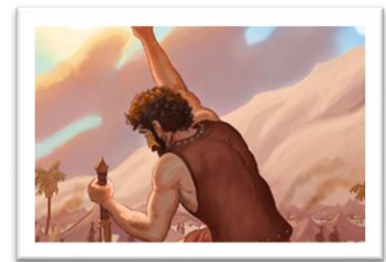
The five kings attacked Gibeon. The men of Gibeon sent a message to Joshua

asking for help. Joshua and the Israelite army traveled to Gilgal.

God gave Joshua a special message, “Do not be afraid. I will give you the victory.”

Joshua and his men marched all night from Gilgal and surprised the armies of the five kings. The LORD caused the men in the other armies to be confused, and Israel defeated them. Then as the other armies tried to flee, God sent hail to stop them.

On that day, Joshua prayed to God, “Please let the sun and the moon stand still.” And that is what



happened. God heard Joshua’s prayer and answered it. God fought for the Israelites.

OPEN YOUR BIBLE TO THE BOOK OF JOSHUA, CHAPTER 10

- “What books come before and after Joshua?” (*Deuteronomy and Judges*)
- “Why did the king of Jerusalem want to attack Joshua and the Israelites?” (*The king heard about the treaty with the Gibeonites and knew they had many skilled warriors.*)

READ JOSHUA 10:8-10

READ JOSHUA 10:14

- “Because Joshua sought God’s help and prayed, God answered his prayer and fought for Israel. What a difference in the stories from this week and last.”

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- “In last week’s story, Joshua did not pray and ask God for help, and he was tricked. This week, we just read in our Bible that the Lord fought for Israel. The Bible is always true.”
- “This story is a great reminder of what happens when we seek God’s guidance in our lives.
- Memorized this Text Truth: **God hears and answers our prayers according to His eternal purpose**
- “What do you think ‘eternal purpose’ means?”
- “Eternal purpose is what God has orchestrated through His Son, Jesus Christ. God wants to redeem His people, so He provided a way for us to be forgiven of our sins and be with Him for eternity.”

If you have any prayer requests, please send them to **cameronfamily10@gmail.com**. Remember to LAUGH, have a blessed week, watch, or come to church Sunday morning, call a friend, do well in school, and remember

GOD LOVES YOU AND SO DO WE.

The Tween Teachers

Here is a good video from Believer Books on “How to Pray Step by Step/Animated:

<https://youtu.be/BgFFGXNhvXU?si=RCZjw4LjRiprABmX>

Pray for the team going to Ghana July 17-31, 2024.



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MISSING WORDS

Open your Bible to Psalm 62:8. Fill in the missing words from the first part of the verse.

Trust in Him at all times, people; pour out your
 Him. Psalm 62:8a

POSSIBLE WORDS: YOU, O, YE, HEART, HEARTS, BEFORE, TO

Who trusted in God and poured out his heart to God in today's Bible story?