

Sin in the Camp **February 11, 2024**

Numbers 32:23, *“Be sure your sin will find you out.”*

Joshua 6:17-19;21;24, *“The city is under the ban, all that is in Jericho belongs to the Lord. ¹⁸ Do not covet and take anything under the ban, and make the camp of Israel accursed and bring trouble on it. ¹⁹ But all the silver, gold, bronze, and iron are holy to the Lord, they shall go into the treasury of the Lord. ²¹ Then the army of Israel utterly destroyed everything in the city of Jericho, both man and woman, young and old, ox, sheep, and donkey, with the edge of the sword. ²⁴ They burned the city with fire, and all that was in it. Only the silver, gold, bronze, and iron, they put into the treasury of the house of the Lord.”*

Deuteronomy 23:14, *“Since the Lord your God walks in the midst of your camp to deliver you and to defeat your enemies before you, your camp must be holy; and God must not see anything indecent among you or He will turn away from you.”*

Joshua 7:1, *“But the sons of Israel acted unfaithfully in regard to the things under the ban, for Achan, from the tribe of Judah, took some of the things under the ban, therefore the anger of the Lord burned against the sons of Israel.”*

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Joshua 7:6, *“Joshua tore his clothes and fell on his face before the ark of the Lord, both he and the elders of Israel; and they put dust on their heads.”*

Joshua 7:7, *“Why did You deliver us, (just) to destroy us?”*

Joshua 7:11, *“Israel has sinned, and they have also transgressed My covenant. And they have even taken some of the things under the ban and have both stolen and deceived. Moreover, they have also put them among their own things.”*

Five Reasons God Stopped Protecting, Empowering, and Blessing Israel:

- 1. There was hidden sin**
- 2. The covenant was broken**
- 3. Banned items were stolen**
- 4. Israel willfully deceived**
- 5. The stolen items were put among Israel's possessions**

1 Corinthians 5:6-7, *“Do you not know that a little leaven leavens the whole lump of dough? Clean out the old leaven so that you may be a new lump.”*

Joshua 7:13, *“Rise up! Consecrate yourselves. You cannot stand before your enemies until you have removed the things under the ban from your midst.”*

Joshua 7:20-22;24-26, *“Achan said to Joshua, ‘I have sinned against the Lord, I found 200 shekels of silver and a bar of gold, I coveted them and took them, they are hidden in the earth inside my tent. Joshua sent messengers to Achan’s tent, (the bar of gold was) in his tent with the silver buried underneath it.’ Then Joshua and all of Israel took Achan, his sons, his daughters, his ox, donkeys, sheep, his tent, and all that belonged to him; and they brought them up to the valley of Achor. Joshua said, ‘Why have you troubled us? The Lord will trouble you this day.’ And all of Israel stoned them with stones; and burned them with fire. And (then) the Lord turned from the fierceness of His anger.”*

Ephesians 5:5;7-8;11;14-16, *“You know with certainty, that no sexually immoral or impure person or covetous man, who is an idolater, has an inheritance in the kingdom of Christ and God. ⁷ Do not be partakers with them; ⁸ for you were formerly darkness, but now you are Light in the Lord; walk as children of Light. ¹¹ Do not participate in the unfruitful deeds of darkness, but instead EXPOSE them. ¹⁴ For this reason it says, ‘Awake, sleeper, and arise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you.’ ¹⁵ Therefore be careful how you walk, not as unwise men but as wise, ¹⁶ making the most of your time, because the days are evil.”*