

## Trusting the Lord in the Battles of Life

Joshua 10

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### **Trust the Lord to Fight For You :: vv. 8-11**

Notice who the actor is, the one who is causing everything to happen. In verse 8 God says, *"I have given them into your hands."*

This is a different God than we like to think about.

- God is the warrior who fights for his people. He is not passive.
- Psalm 24 - Who is the king of glory? The Lord, strong and mighty, mighty in battle. Who is the king of glory? The Lord of hosts, he is the king of glory.
- Rev. 19 says that Jesus will return sitting on the white horse, leading his hosts into the final battle.

While God was the one producing the victory, Joshua still went into battle.

- Philippians 2:12-13

### **Depend on the Lord Through Prayer :: vv. 12-15**

Extension of Darkness vs Extension of Daylight

Regardless, Joshua prayed for help from the Lord, and the Lord acted.

- James 4:2 - You have not because you ask not.
- How often do we go through life forgetting to ask for God's help, or either not trusting God to help.

### **Remember the Lord's Past Faithfulness :: vv. 16-28**

The death of the 5 kings was not barbarism. It was a sign from the Lord.

God's faithfulness in the past reminds us of his faithfulness in the present and the future.

- Psalm 13:5-6

### **Rejoice in the Lord's Victory :: vv. 29-43**

This passage lays out the specific villages that were defeated and also the boundaries of this victory.

We need to be aware of the vastness of God's goodness to us, and let us return thanks to him for what he has done to us.