Conquering Under a Still Sun Joshua 10

A rescue that turns into a route, 1-15

- ❖Attack = to discourage further treaties (newsflashes: 9:1,10:1,11:1).
- ♦Once again a promise of success (1:9) yet note a night-time rescues.
- ❖Real "climate change"—the 2nd is hardest for skeptics to swallow! --Hailstones (Rev. 16:21)
 - --Sun stood still / did not hasten to go down (see II Kgs. 20:9-11, Isa. 38:7,8. Some options: figurative, eclipse, refraction, heat reduction, earth spinning slower on axis? How do we answer the notion of sun's movement if it's the earth really moving?

A hiding place that turns into a place for a hanging, 16-27

- ❖Retreating kings' hiding place turns into a tomb! Feet on neck is not about being macho but = symbolic of deserved rule (Ps. 8:6, 18:38, Ps. 110:1, Heb. 2:8. Compare 10:25 to 1:7,18.
- ❖Yet another stone pile for later visits! Recall 4:9,20, 7:26, 8:29-35.

A victory that turns into a whole string of victories, 28-43

- ❖Note repetition: *no survivors / utterly destroyed--*28,30,33,37,39.
- ❖This rescue operation brings about control of southern Canaan.



What does this episode suggest about the value of keeping your word?

What kind of relationship do we see here between God's action (the Lord fought--10:14,42) and our responsibility (Israel fought--10:25b, 29,31, 34,36,38).

Check out Phil. 2:12,13, I Pt. 1:3-5, 14-16, Rom. 6:6-14.