Joshua 8

Englische King James Version von 1611/1769 mit Strongs



1 And the LORD^{H3068} said^{H559} unto Joshua^{H3091}, Fear^{H3372} not, neither be thou dismayed^{H2865}: take^{H3947} all the people^{H5971} of war^{H4421} with thee, and arise^{H6965}, go up^{H5927} to Ai^{H5857}: see^{H7200}, I have given^{H5414} into thy hand^{H3027} the king^{H4428} of Ai^{H5857}, and his people^{H5971}, and his city^{H5892}, and his land^{H776}: **2** And thou shalt do^{H6213} to Ai^{H5857} and her king^{H4428} as thou didst^{H6213} unto Jericho^{H3405} and her king^{H4428}: only the spoil^{H7998} thereof, and the cattle^{H929} thereof, shall ye take for a prey^{H962} unto yourselves: lay^{H7760} thee an ambush^{H693} for the city^{H5892} behind^{H310} it.

3 So Joshua^{H3091} arose^{H6965}, and all the people^{H5971} of war^{H4421}, to go up^{H5927} against Ai^{H5857}: and Joshua^{H3091} chose out^{H977} thirty^{H7970} thousand^{H505} mighty^{H1368} men^{H376} of valour^{H2428}, and sent them away^{H7971} by night^{H3915}. 4 And he commanded^{H6680} them, saying^{H559}, Behold^{H7200}, ye shall lie in wait^{H693} against the city^{H5892}, even behind^{H310} the city^{H5892}: go^{H7368} not very^{H3966} far^{H7368} from the city^{H5892}, but be ye all ready^{H3559}: **5** And I, and all the people^{H5971} that are with me, will approach^{H7126} unto the city^{H5892}: and it shall come to pass, when they come out^{H3318} against^{H7125} us, as at the first^{H7223}, that we will flee^{H5127} before^{H6440} them, 6 (For they will come out^{H3318} after^{H310} us) till we have drawn^{H5423} them from the city^{H5892}; for they will say^{H559}, They flee^{H5127} before^{H6440} us, as at the first^{H7223}: therefore we will flee^{H5127} before^{H6440} them.¹ 7 Then ye shall rise up^{H6965} from the ambush^{H693}, and seize^{H3423} upon the city^{H5892}: for the LORD^{H3068} your God^{H430} will deliver^{H5414} it into your hand^{H3027}. 8 And it shall be, when ye have taken^{H8610} the city^{H5892}, that ye shall set^{H3341} the city^{H5892} on fire^{H784}: according to the commandment^{H1697} of the LORD^{H3068} shall ye do^{H6213}. See^{H7200}, I have commanded^{H6680} you. 9 Joshua^{H3091} therefore sent them forth^{H7971}: and they went^{H3212} to lie in ambush^{H3993}, and abode^{H3427} between Bethel^{H1008} and Ai^{H5857}, on the west side^{H3220} of Ai^{H5857}: but Joshua^{H3091} lodged^{H3885} that night^{H3915} among^{H8432} the people^{H5971}. **10** And Joshua^{H3091} rose up early^{H7925} in the morning^{H1242}, and numbered^{H6485} the people^{H5971}, and went up^{H5927}, he and the elders^{H2205} of Israel^{H3478}, before^{H6440} the people^{H5971} to Ai^{H5857}. **11** And all the people^{H5971}, even the people of war^{H4421} that were with him, went up^{H5927}, and drew nigh^{H5066}, and came^{H935} before the city^{H5892}, and pitched^{H2583} on the north side^{H6828} of Ai^{H5857}: now there was a valley^{H1516} between them and Ai^{H5857}. **12** And he took^{H3947} about five^{H2568} thousand^{H505} men^{H376}, and set^{H7760} them to lie in ambush^{H693} between Bethel^{H1008} and Ai^{H5857}, on the west side^{H3220} of the city^{H5857 H5892}.² 13 And when they had set^{H7760} the people^{H5971}, even all the host^{H4264} that was on the north^{H6828} of the city^{H5892}, and their liers in wait^{H6119} on the west^{H3220} of the city^{H5892}, Joshua^{H3091} went^{H3212} that night^{H3915} into the midst^{H8432} of the valley^{H6010,3} **14** And it came to pass, when the king^{H4428} of Ai^{H5857} saw^{H7200} it, that they hasted^{H4116} and rose up early^{H7925}, and the men^{H582} of the city^{H5892} went out^{H3318} against^{H7125} Israel^{H3478} to battle^{H4421}, he and all his people^{H5971}, at a time appointed^{H4150}, before^{H6440} the plain^{H6160}; but he wist^{H3045} not that there were liers in ambush^{H693} against him behind^{H310} the city^{H5892}. 15 And Joshua^{H3091} and all Israel^{H3478} made as if they were beaten^{H5060} before^{H6440} them, and fled^{H5127} by the way^{H1870} of the wilderness^{H4057}. **16** And all the people^{H5971} that were in Ai^{H5857 H5892} were called^{H2199} together to pursue^{H7291} after^{H310} them: and they pursued^{H7291} after^{H310} Joshua^{H3091}, and were drawn away^{H5423} from the city^{H5892}. **17** And there was not a man^{H376} left^{H7604} in Ai^{H5857} or Bethel^{H1008}, that went not out^{H3318} after^{H310} Israel^{H3478}: and they left^{H5800} the city^{H5892} open^{H6605}, and pursued^{H7291} after Israel^{H3478}. **18** And the LORD^{H3068} said^{H559} unto Joshua^{H3091}, Stretch out^{H5186} the spear^{H3591} that is in thy hand^{H3027} toward Ai^{H5857}; for I will give^{H5414} it into thine hand^{H3027}. And Joshua^{H3091} stretched out^{H5186} the spear^{H3591} that he had in his hand^{H3027} toward the city^{H5892}. **19** And the ambush^{H693} arose^{H6965} quickly^{H4120} out of their place^{H4725}, and they ran^{H7323} as soon as he had stretched out^{H5186} his hand^{H3027}: and they entered^{H935} into the city^{H5892}, and took^{H3920} it, and hasted^{H4116} and set^{H3341} the city^{H5892} on fire^{H784}. **20** And when the men^{H582} of Ai^{H5857} looked^{H6437} behind^{H310} them, they saw^{H7200}, and, behold, the smoke^{H6227} of the city^{H5892} ascended up^{H5927} to heaven^{H8064}, and they had no power^{H3027} to flee^{H5127} this way or that way^{H2008}: and the people^{H5971} that fled^{H5127} to the wilderness^{H4057} turned back^{H2015} upon the pursuers^{H7291.4} 21 And when Joshua^{H3091} and all Israel^{H3478} saw^{H7200} that the ambush^{H693} had taken^{H3920} the city^{H5892}, and that the smoke^{H6227} of the city^{H5892} ascended^{H5927}, then they turned

again^{H7725}, and slew^{H5221} the men^{H582} of Ai^{H5857}. **22** And the other^{H428} issued out^{H3318} of the city^{H5892} against^{H7125} them; so they were in the midst^{H8432} of Israel^{H3478}, some on this side, and some on that side: and they smote^{H5221} them, so that^{H5704} they let^{H7604} none of them remain^{H8300} or escape^{H6412}.

23 And the king^{H4428} of Ai^{H5857} they took^{H8610} alive^{H2416}, and brought^{H7126} him to Joshua^{H3091}. **24** And it came to pass, when Israel^{H3478} had made an end^{H3615} of slaying^{H2026} all the inhabitants^{H3427} of Ai^{H5857} in the field^{H7704}, in the wilderness^{H4057} wherein they chased^{H7291} them, and when they were all fallen^{H5307} on the edge^{H6310} of the sword^{H2719}, until they were consumed^{H8552}, that all the Israelites^{H3478} returned^{H7725} unto Ai^{H5857}, and smote^{H5221} it with the edge^{H6310} of the sword^{H2719}. **25** And so it was, that all that fell^{H5307} that day^{H3117}, both of men^{H376} and women^{H802}, were twelve^{H8147} ^{H6240} thousand^{H505}, even all the men^{H582} of Ai^{H5857}. **26** For Joshua^{H3091} drew^{H7725} not his hand^{H3027} back^{H7725}, wherewith he stretched out^{H5186} the spear^{H3591}, until he had utterly destroyed^{H2763} all the inhabitants^{H3427} of Ai^{H5857}. **27** Only the cattle^{H929} and the spoil^{H7998} of that city^{H5892} Israel^{H3478} took for a prey^{H962} unto themselves, according unto the word^{H1697} of the LORD^{H3068} which he commanded^{H6680} Joshua^{H3091}. **28** And Joshua^{H3091} burnt^{H8313} Ai^{H5857}, had made^{H8518} on a tree^{H6086} until eventide^{H6256 H6153}: and as soon as the sun^{H8121} was down^{H935}, Joshua^{H3091} commanded^{H6680} that they should take^{H3381} his carcase^{H5038} down^{H3381} from the tree^{H6086}, and cast^{H7993} it at the entering^{H6607} of the gate^{H8179} of the city^{H5892}, and raise^{H6965} thereon a great^{H1419} heap^{H1530} of stones^{H68}, that remaineth unto this day^{H3117}.

30 Then Joshua^{H3091} built^{H1129} an altar^{H4196} unto the LORD^{H3068} God^{H430} of Israel^{H3478} in mount^{H2022} Ebal^{H5858}, **31** As Moses^{H4872} the servant^{H5650} of the LORD^{H3068} commanded^{H6680} the children^{H1121} of Israel^{H3478}, as it is written^{H3789} in the book^{H5612} of the law^{H8451} of Moses^{H4872}, an altar^{H4196} of whole^{H8003} stones^{H68}, over which no man hath lift up^{H5130} any iron^{H1270}: and they offered^{H5927} thereon burnt offerings^{H5930} unto the LORD^{H3068}, and sacrificed^{H2076} peace offerings^{H8002}. **32** And he wrote^{H3789} there upon the stones^{H68} a copy^{H4932} of the law^{H8451} of Moses^{H4872}, which he wrote^{H3789} in the presence^{H6440} of the children^{H1121} of Israel^{H3478}. **33** And all Israel^{H3478}, and their elders^{H2205}, and officers^{H7860}, and their judges^{H8199}, stood^{H5975} on this side the ark^{H727} and on that side before the priests^{H3548} the Levites^{H3881}, which bare^{H5375} the ark^{H727} of the covenant^{H1285} of the LORD^{H3068}, as well the stranger^{H1616}, as he that was born^{H249} among them; half^{H2677} of them over^{H413} against^{H4136} mount^{H2022} Gerizim^{H1630}, and half^{H2677} of them over^{H4872} the servant^{H5650} of the LORD^{H3068} had commanded^{H6680} before^{H7223}, that they should bless^{H1288} the people^{H5971} of Israel^{H3478}. **34** And afterward^{H310} he read^{H7121} all the words^{H1697} of the law^{H8451}. **35** There was not a word^{H1697} of all that Moses^{H4872} commanded^{H6680}, which Joshua^{H3091} read^{H7121} not before all the congregation^{H6951} of Israel^{H3478}, with the women^{H802}, and the little ones^{H2945}, and the strangers^{H1616} that were conversant^{H1980} among^{H7130} them.⁵

Fußnoten

1. drawn: Heb. pulled
2. of...: or, of Ai
3. liers...: Heb. lying in wait
4. power: Heb. hand
5. were...: Heb. walked