

THE SUN & MOON STAND STILL

Joshua 10:1-15

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¹Now Adoni-Zedek king of Jerusalem heard that Joshua had taken Ai and totally destroyed it, doing to Ai and its king as he had done to Jericho and its king, and that the people of Gibeon had made a treaty of peace with Israel and were living near them. ²He and his people were very much alarmed at this, because Gibeon was an important city, like one of the royal cities; it was larger than Ai, and all its men were good fighters. ³So Adoni-Zedek king of Jerusalem appealed to Hoham king of Hebron, Piram king of Jarmuth, Japhia king of Lachish and Debir king of Eglon. ⁴“Come up and help me attack Gibeon,” he said, “because it has made peace with Joshua and the Israelites.”

⁵Then the five kings of the Amorites—the kings of Jerusalem, Hebron, Jarmuth, Lachish and Eglon—joined forces. They moved up with all their troops and took up positions against Gibeon and attacked it.

⁶The Gibeonites then sent word to Joshua in the camp at Gilgal: “Do not abandon your servants. Come up to us quickly and save us! Help us, because all the Amorite kings from the hill country have joined forces against us.”

⁷So Joshua marched up from Gilgal with his entire army, including all the best fighting men. ⁸The LORD said to Joshua, “Do not be afraid of them; I have

given them into your hand. Not one of them will be able to withstand you.”

⁹After an all-night march from Gilgal, Joshua took them by surprise. ¹⁰The LORD threw them into confusion before Israel, who defeated them in a great victory at Gibeon. Israel pursued them along the road going up to Beth Horon and cut them down all the way to Azekah and Makkedah. ¹¹As they fled before Israel on the road down from Beth Horon to Azekah, the LORD hurled large hailstones down on them from the sky, and more of them died from the hailstones than were killed by the swords of the Israelites.

¹²On the day the LORD gave the Amorites over to Israel, Joshua said to the LORD in the presence of Israel:

“O sun, stand still over Gibeon,
O moon, over the Valley of Aijalon.”

¹³So the sun stood still,
and the moon stopped,
till the nation avenged itself on its
enemies,

as it is written in the Book of Jashar.

The sun stopped in the middle of the sky and delayed going down about a full day. ¹⁴There has never been a day like it before or since, a day when the LORD listened to a man. Surely the LORD was fighting for Israel!

¹⁵Then Joshua returned with all Israel to the camp at Gilgal.

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POSSIBLE POINTS	MY POINTS	QUESTIONS
5		1.) What did the five kings want to do?
5		2.) How did the Lord help the Israelites win?
5		3.) What was at least one miracle that happened in this story?
5		4.) Why do you think the Lord made the sun and moon stand still?

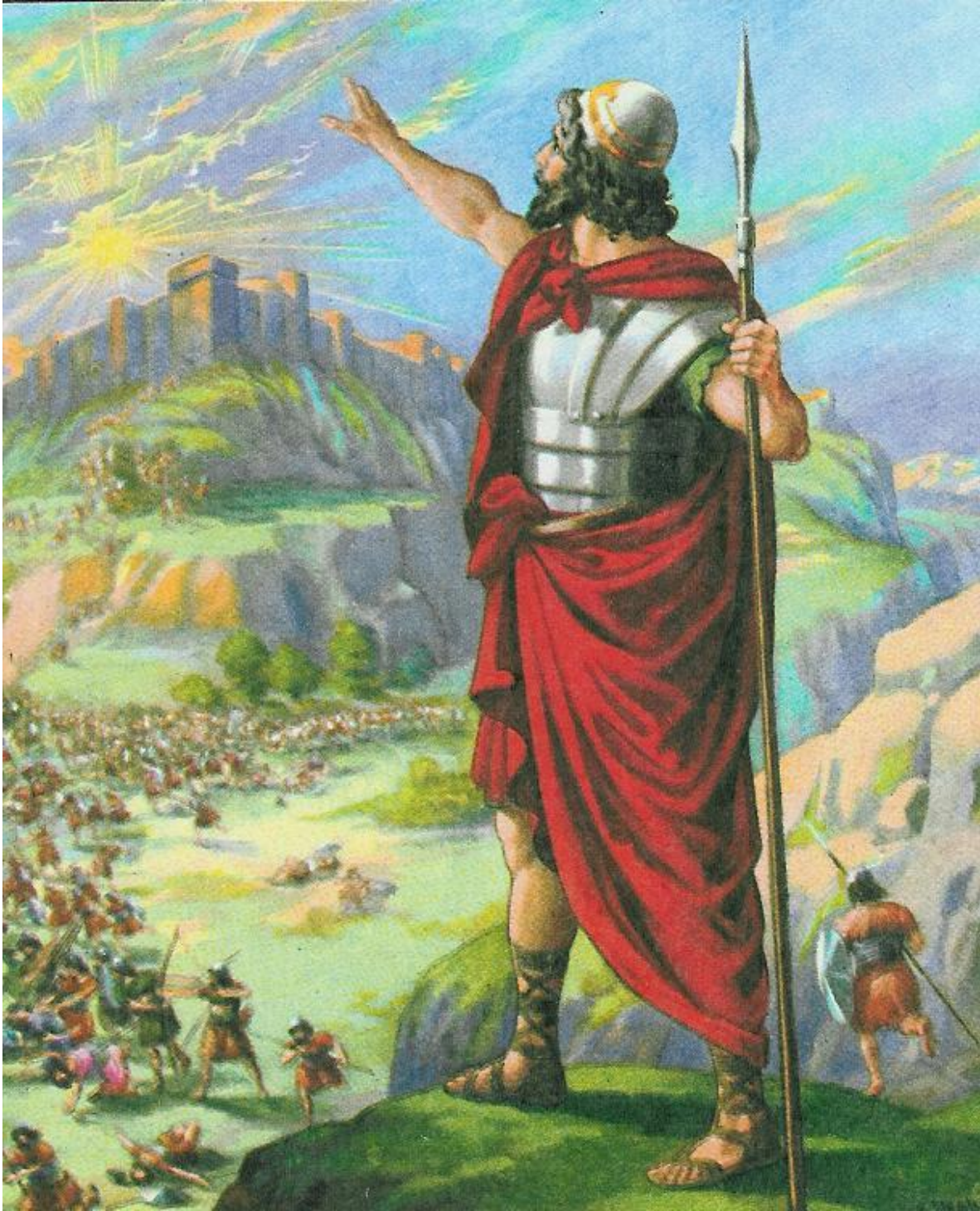
POSSIBLE POINTS	MY POINTS	MEMORY VERSE
10		<p>“But thanks be to God! He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.”</p> <p style="text-align: right;">1 Corinthians 15:57</p>

POSSIBLE POINTS	MY POINTS	HOME CONNECTION	PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE
5		<i>I have read, or been read, the passage of scripture for this week.</i>	
5		<i>I have answered the questions aloud to an adult at home this week.</i>	
10		<i>I have recited the memory verse out loud to an adult at home this week.</i>	

TOTAL POINTS	CLUB CONNECTION
	LEADER'S SIGNATURE _____ DATE ___/___/___

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Joshua asked the Lord to make the sun and moon stand still

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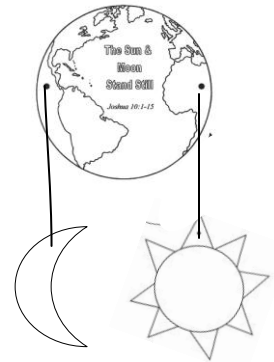
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CRAFT/ACTIVITY: SUN & MOON MOBILES

Students will make mobiles to remind them that the sun and moon stood still one day until the Israelites were finished fighting.

MATERIALS

1. 67 lb. White Cardstock
2. Mobile Pattern
3. Scissors
4. Crayons., Markers, or Colored Pencils
5. Hole Punch
6. Yarn



DIRECTIONS

1. Make copies of the mobile pattern onto 67 lb. cardstock for each student.
2. Have students color the Earth, moon, and sun.
3. Instruct students to cut out the sun, moon, and Earth.
4. Punch holes on each of the solid black dots.
5. Tie a piece of yarn from the Earth to the sun.
6. Tie another piece of yarn from the Earth to the moon.

FOR DISCUSSION

As students are coloring their mobile patterns, help them realize that the Lord granted Joshua's plea to extend the day until the fighting was completed. The Lord was on the side of the Israelites. We have the victory today through our Lord Jesus Christ.

TIME NEEDED TO COMPLETE:

Approximately 20 minutes

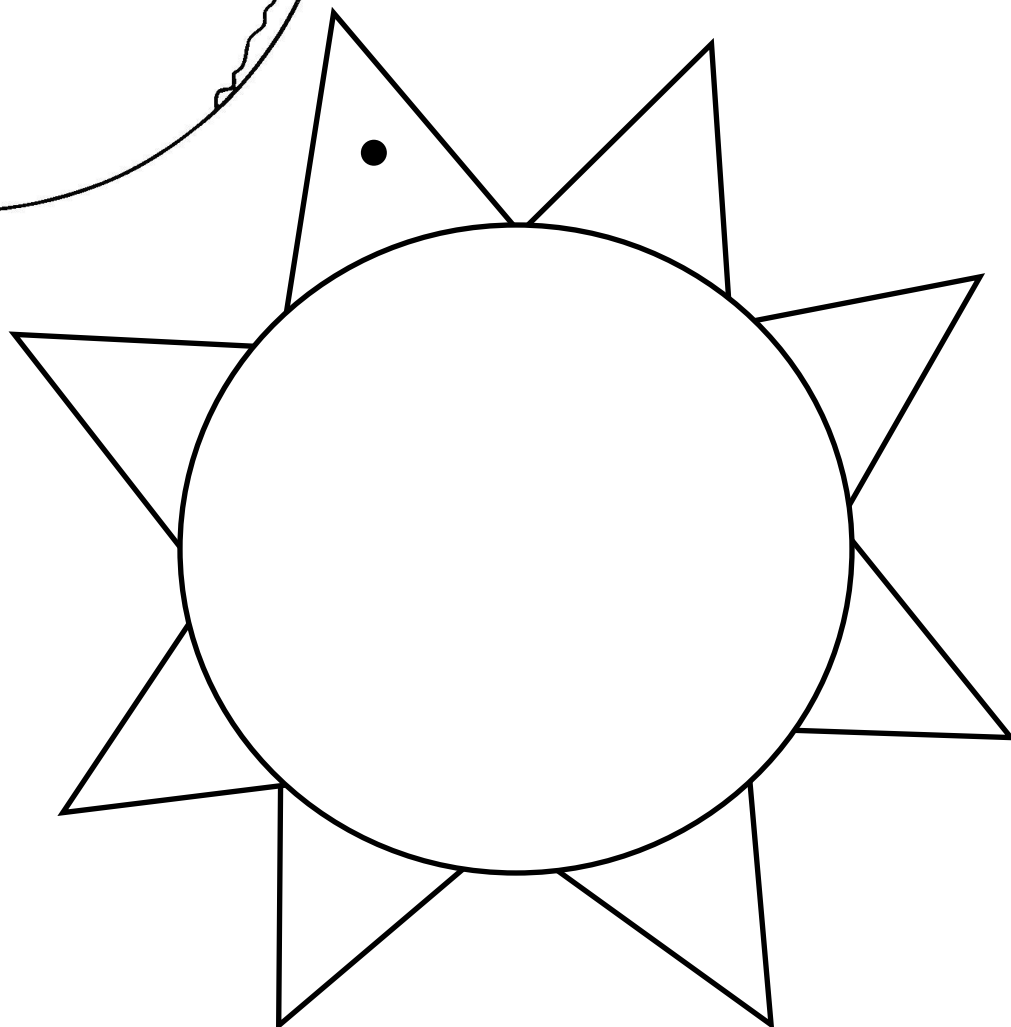
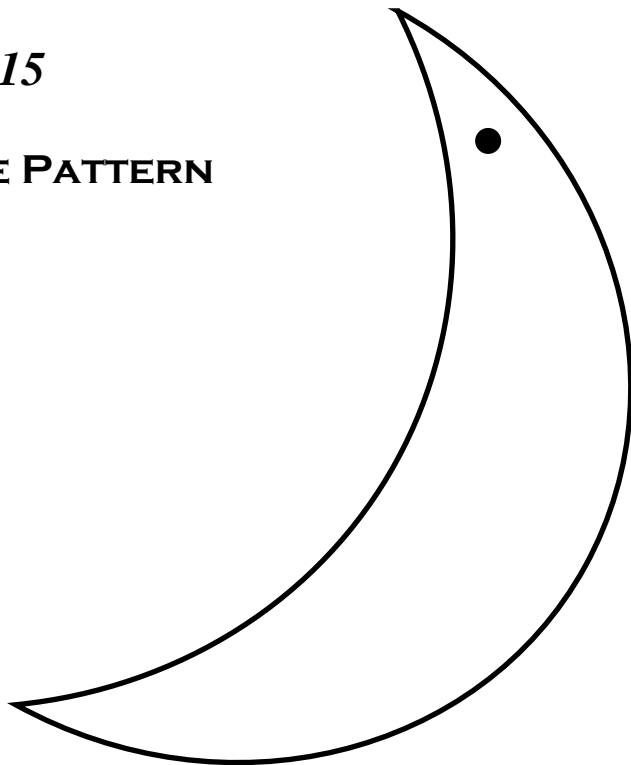
MEMORY VERSE

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SUN & MOON MOBILE PATTERN



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Directions: In box #1, draw a picture of something that happened at the *beginning* of the story. In box #2 and #3, draw a picture of something that happened in the *middle* of the story. In box #4, draw a picture of something that happened at the *end* of the story. Then write a sentence for each picture to describe what you have drawn.

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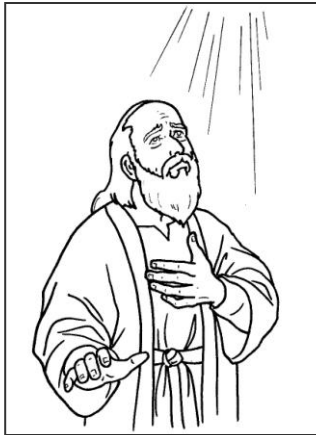
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THE BIBLE TIMES HERALD

A SPECIAL REPORT ON JOSHUA 10:1-15

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The king of Jerusalem heard that Joshua had destroyed Ai and Jericho. He also heard about the peace treaty that Joshua made with the people of Gibeon. The king was worried. He decided to attack the Gibeonites because they had

made peace with Joshua and the Israelites.

The King of Jerusalem convinced four other kings to join him in attacking the Gibeonites.

The Gibeonites asked Joshua for help. They said, "Come up to us quickly and save us! Help us, because all the Amorite kings from the hill country have joined forces against us."

Joshua, with his entire army, marched to Gibeon to help out. Joshua asked the Lord for help. He wanted the Lord to make the sun and moon stand still so that the Israelites could defeat their enemies.

The Lord listened to Joshua and was with the Israelites. Joshua and his army took them by surprise. The Lord confused the enemies, sent hailstones from the sky, and made the sun and moon stand still for almost a day. The Israelites won because the Lord was with them!

To find out more, check out Joshua 10:1-15 in your Bible.

QUESTIONS

1. What did the five kings want to do?
2. How did the Lord help the Israelites win?
3. What was at least one miracle that happened in the story?
4. Why do you think the Lord made the sun and the moon stand still?

MEMORY VERSE

"But thanks be to God! He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ."

1 Corinthians 15:57

FILL IN THE BLANKS

moon	Jerusalem	four
Israelites	hail	Joshua

The king of _____ was scared. The _____ and the Gibeonites had a peace treaty. The king of Jerusalem and _____ other kings decided to attack the Gibeonites. _____ asked the Lord for help. The Lord sent _____ and made the sun and _____ stand still.