

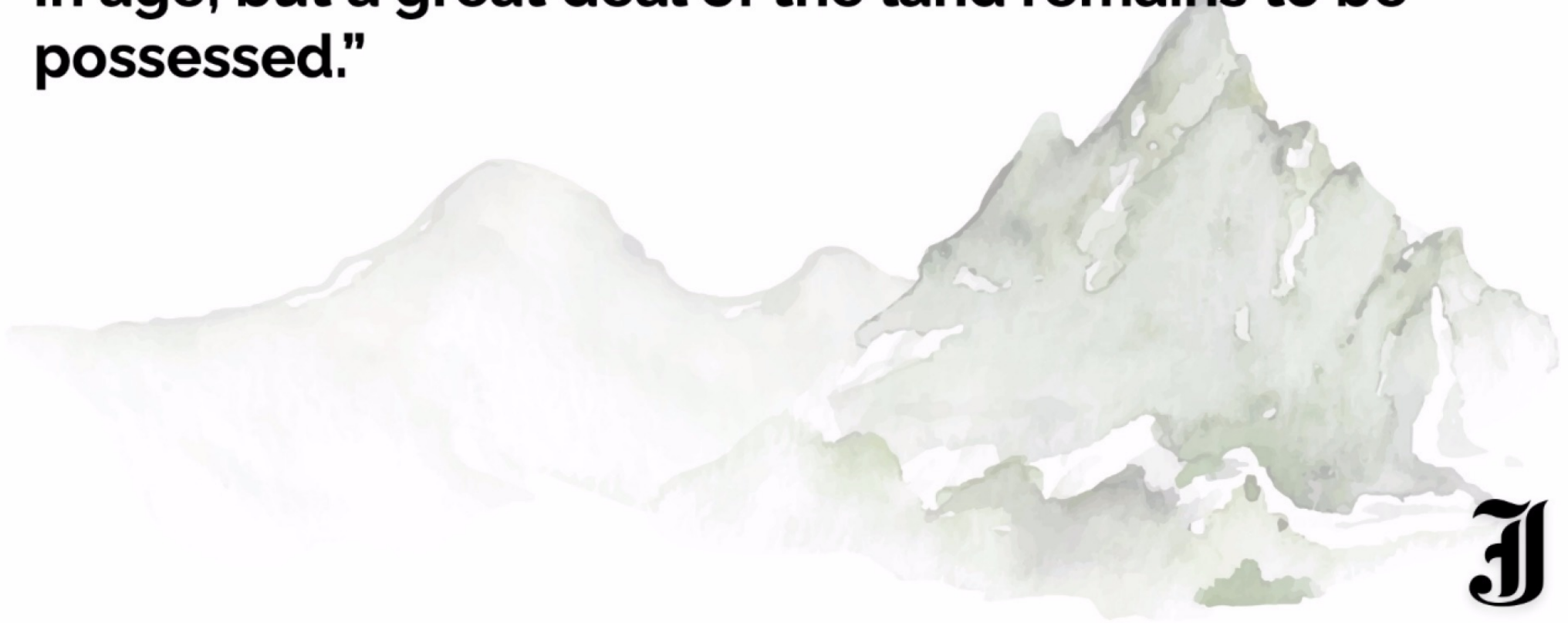
Joshua

The Story of
The Promise-Keeping God

10:40 So Joshua conquered the whole region—the hill country, the Negev, the Judean foothills, and the slopes—with all their kings, leaving no survivors. He completely destroyed every living being, as the LORD, the God of Israel, had commanded. 41 Joshua conquered everyone from Kadesh-barnea to Gaza, and all the land of Goshen as far as Gibeon. 42 Joshua captured all these kings and their land in one campaign, because the LORD, the God of Israel, fought for Israel. 43 Then Joshua returned with all Israel to the camp at Gilgal.



13:1 Joshua was now old, advanced in age, and the LORD said to him, “You have become old, advanced in age, but a great deal of the land remains to be possessed.”



**Psalm 147:1 Hallelujah! How good it is to sing to our God,
for praise is pleasant and lovely.**

² The LORD rebuilds Jerusalem; He gathers Israel's exiled people.

³ He heals the brokenhearted and bandages their wounds.

⁴ He counts the number of the stars; He gives names to all of them.

⁵ Our Lord is great, vast in power; His understanding is infinite.

⁶ The LORD helps the oppressed but brings the wicked to the ground...



⁷ Sing to the LORD with thanksgiving; play the lyre to our God,

⁸ who covers the sky with clouds, prepares rain for the earth, and causes grass to grow on the hills.

⁹ He provides the animals with their food, and the young ravens what they cry for.

¹⁰ He is not impressed by the strength of a horse; He does not value the power of a warrior.

¹¹ The LORD values those who fear him, those who put their hope in His faithful love...



¹² Exalt the LORD, Jerusalem; praise your God, Zion!

¹³ For He strengthens the bars of your city gates and blesses your children within you.

¹⁴ He endows your territory with prosperity; He satisfies you with the finest wheat.

¹⁵ He sends his command throughout the earth; His word runs swiftly.

¹⁶ He spreads snow like wool; He scatters frost like ashes;

¹⁷ He throws His hailstones like crumbs. Who can withstand his cold?

¹⁸ He sends His word and melts them; He unleashes His winds, and the water flows...



¹⁹ He declares His word to Jacob, His statutes and judgments to Israel.

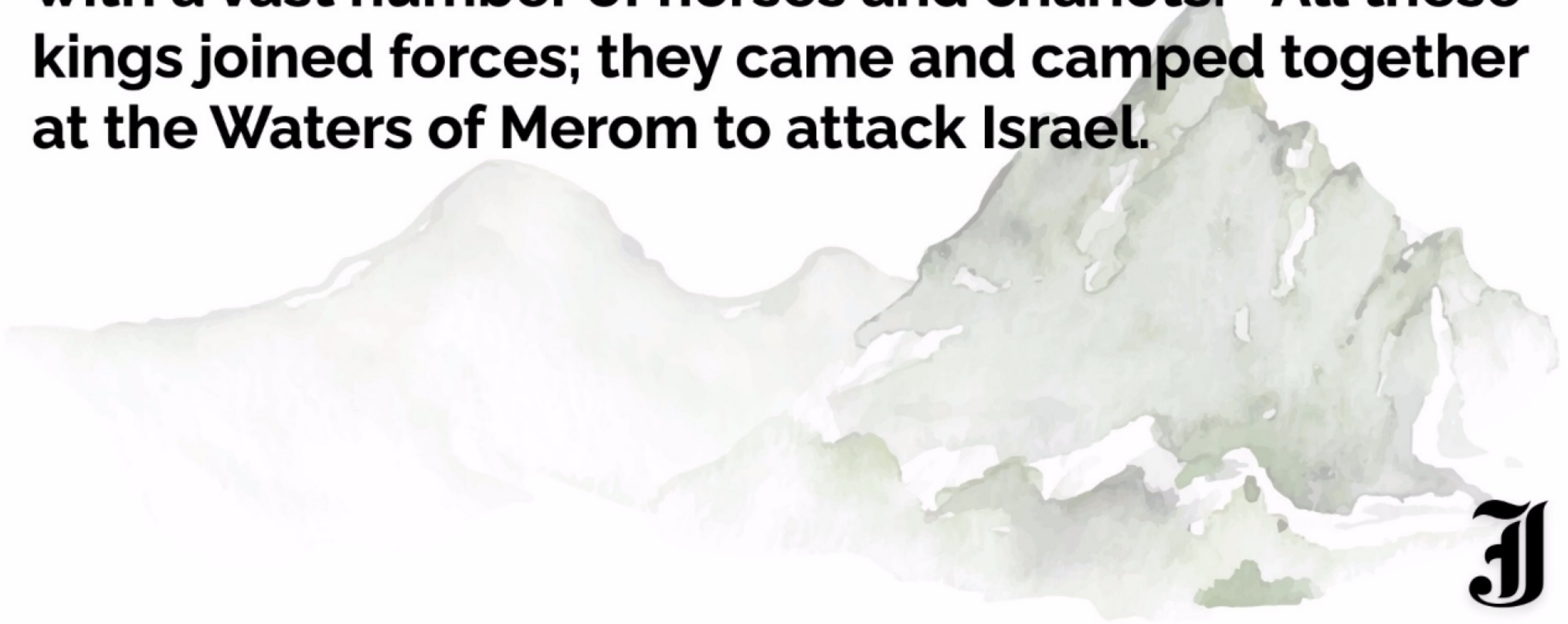
²⁰ He has not done this for every nation; they do not know His judgments. Hallelujah!



10:42 Joshua captured all these kings and their land in one campaign, because the LORD, the God of Israel, fought for Israel.



11:4 They went out with all their armies—a multitude as numerous as the sand on the seashore—along with a vast number of horses and chariots. ⁵ All these kings joined forces; they came and camped together at the Waters of Merom to attack Israel.



Psalm 147:6 The LORD helps the oppressed but brings the wicked to the ground...

¹⁰ He is not impressed by the strength of a horse; He does not value the power of a warrior.

¹¹ The LORD values those who fear him, those who put their hope in His faithful love.



Exodus 5:1 Moses said to Pharaoh, "This is what the LORD, the God of Israel, says: Let my people go, so that they may hold a festival for me in the wilderness."

² But Pharaoh responded, "Who is the LORD that I should obey him by letting Israel go? I don't know the LORD, and besides, I will not let Israel go."



Exodus 4:21 The LORD instructed Moses, “When you go back to Egypt, make sure you do before Pharaoh all the wonders that I have put within your power. But I will harden his heart, so that he won’t let the people go.



Numbers 30:1-2

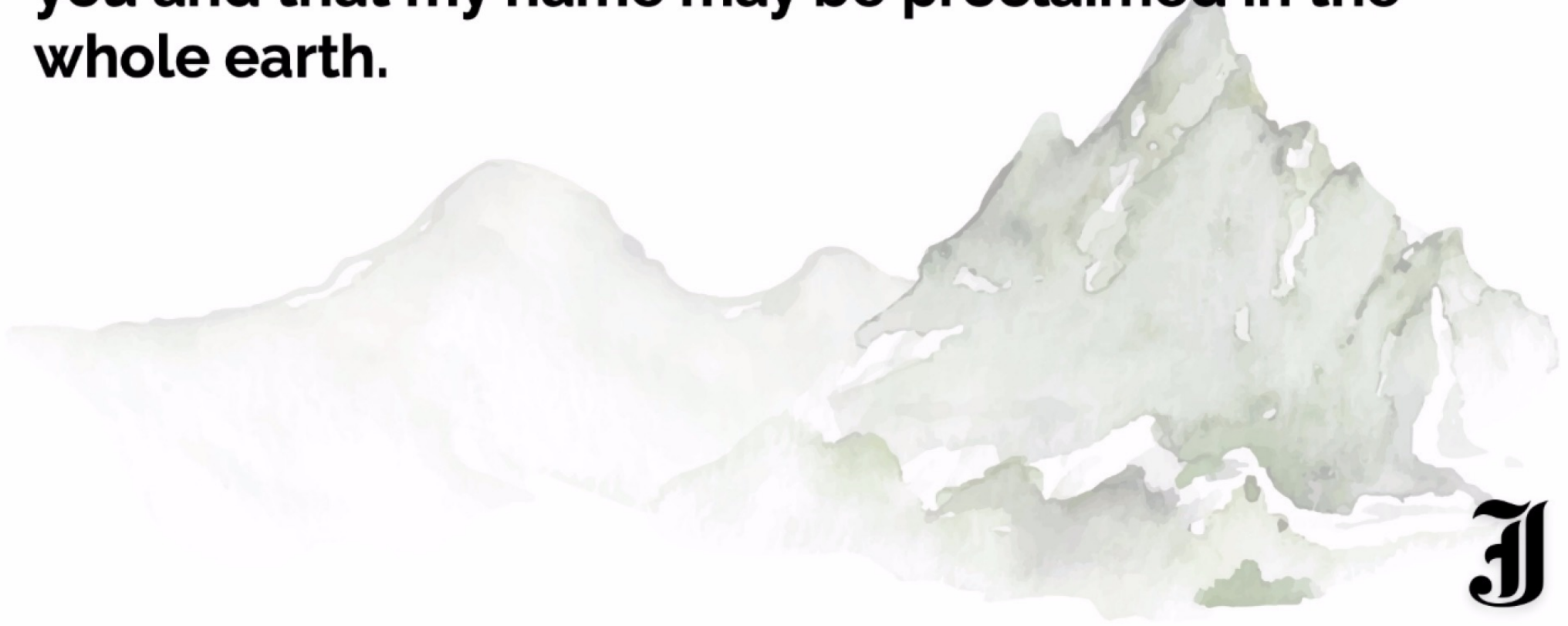
Moses told the leaders of the Israelite tribes, “This is what the LORD has commanded: ² When a man makes a vow to the LORD or swears an oath to put himself under an obligation, he must not break his word; he must do whatever he has promised.



11:18 Joshua waged war with all these kings for a long time. 19 No city made peace with the Israelites except the Hivites who inhabited Gibeon; all of them were taken in battle. 20 For it was the LORD's intention to harden their hearts, so that they would engage Israel in battle, be completely destroyed without mercy, and be annihilated, just as the LORD had commanded Moses.



Romans 9:17 For the Scripture tells Pharaoh, I raised you up for this reason so that I may display my power in you and that my name may be proclaimed in the whole earth.



***Pharaoh was not a gentle, kindly-inclined man whom
God changed against his will into a tyrant.***

John Oswalt



Romans 9:18 So then, God has mercy on whom He wants to have mercy and He hardens whom He wants to harden.

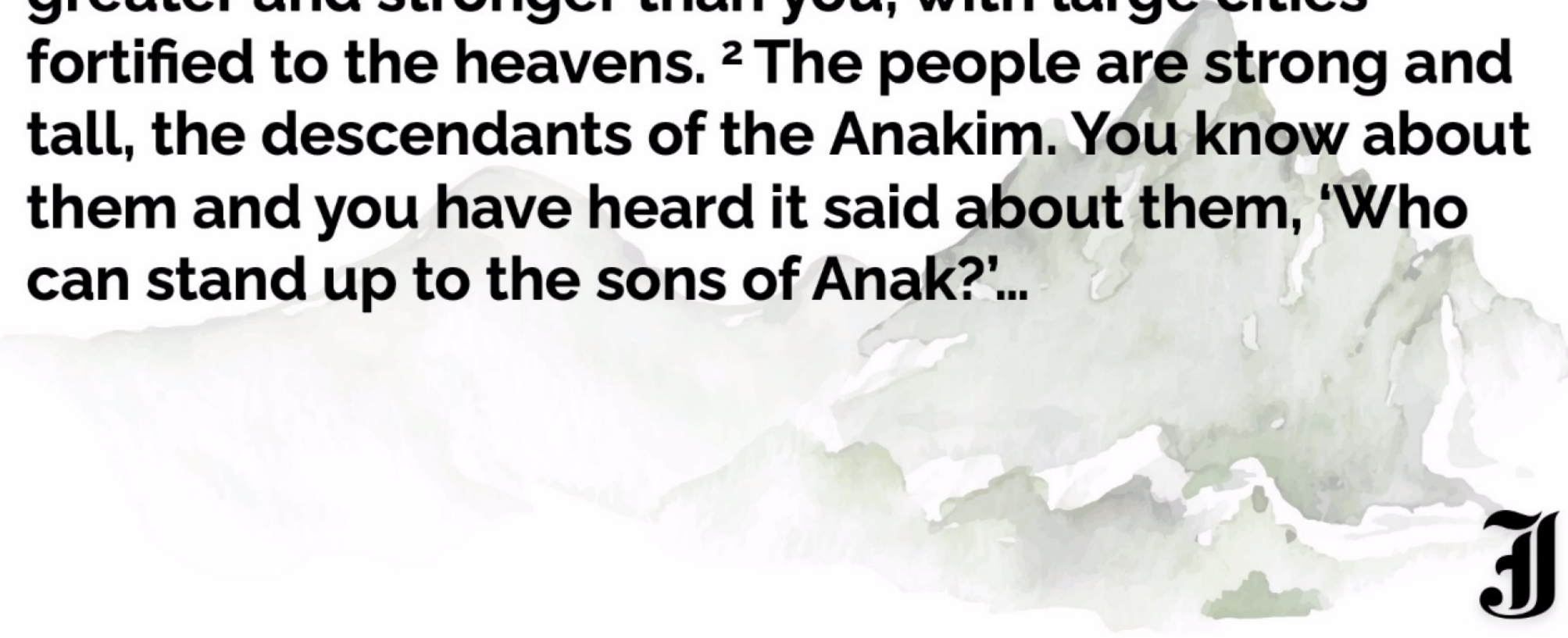
¹⁹ You will say to me, therefore, “Why then does He still find fault? For who resists His will?” ²⁰ On the contrary, who are you, a human being, to talk back to God? Will what is formed say to the one who formed it, “Why did you make me like this?” ²¹ Or has the potter no right over the clay, to make from the same lump one piece of pottery for honor and another for dishonor?...



²² And what if God, wanting to display His wrath and to make His power known, endured with much patience objects of wrath prepared for destruction? ²³ And what if He did this to make known the riches of His glory on objects of mercy that He prepared beforehand for glory.



Deuteronomy 9:1-6 "Listen, Israel: Today you are about to cross the Jordan to enter and drive out nations greater and stronger than you, with large cities fortified to the heavens. ² The people are strong and tall, the descendants of the Anakim. You know about them and you have heard it said about them, 'Who can stand up to the sons of Anak?'...



³ But understand that today the LORD your God will cross over ahead of you as a consuming fire; he will devastate and subdue them before you. You will drive them out and destroy them swiftly, as the LORD has told you. ⁴ When the LORD your God drives them out before you, do not say to yourself, 'The LORD brought me in to take possession of this land because of my righteousness.' Instead, the LORD will drive out these nations before you because of their wickedness...



⁵ You are not going to take possession of their land because of your righteousness or your integrity. Instead, the LORD your God will drive out these nations before you because of their wickedness, in order to fulfill the promise he swore to your ancestors, Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob. ⁶ Understand that the LORD your God is not giving you this good land to possess because of your righteousness, for you are a stiff-necked people.



Deuteronomy 12:29 “When the LORD your God annihilates the nations before you, which you are entering to take possession of, and you drive them out and live in their land, ³⁰ be careful not to be ensnared by their ways after they have been destroyed before you. Do not inquire about their gods, asking, ‘How did these nations worship their gods? I’ll also do the same.’ ³¹ You must not do the same to the LORD your God, because they practice every detestable act, which the LORD hates, for their gods. They even burn their sons and daughters in the fire to their gods.



**Psalm 147:12 Exalt the LORD, Jerusalem; praise your God,
Zion!**

**¹³ For He strengthens the bars of your city gates and
blesses your children within you.**

**¹⁴ He endows your territory with prosperity; He
satisfies you with the finest wheat.**

**¹⁹ He declares his word to Jacob, His statutes and
judgments to Israel.**

**²⁰ He has not done this for every nation; they do not
know His judgments.**



**Hebrews 4:8 For if Joshua had given them rest, God would not have spoken later about another day.
9 Therefore, a Sabbath rest remains for God's people.**

