

Bible Study on Joshua
JOSHUA 10:1-14: THE SUN STANDS STILL

1. Joshua 10.1-5. Five Armies from Southern Canaan Attack the Gibeonites

- Adoni-Zedek means “lord of righteousness.”

2. Joshua 10.6-9. Israel comes to the defense of the Gibeonites

- “Do not fear them; ... not a man of them shall stand before you.”

3. Joshua 10.10-14. Israel conquers the Five Armies while the sun and moon stand still

First, Even today, we still talk about the sun rising and setting. We are simply describing things the way they look to us. Surely, the Bible can do the same thing without making a false statement. Second, the Bible does not say *how* God made it appear that the sun stood still, giving Joshua more day-light to defeat his enemies.

- If you believe Genesis 1:1, the rest is easy!

- “No doubt Joshua had an extraordinary impulse or impression upon his spirit, which he knew to be of [God] [*like a prophetic utterance*], prompting him to desire that this miracle might be worked upon this occasion, [otherwise] it would have been presumption in him to desire or expect it” (Matthew Henry).

- To what lengths is the everlasting God, the LORD, willing to go to keep His covenant promises to His people?