

¹And it came to pass, when all the kings of the Amorites, which were on the side of Jordan westward, and all the kings of the Canaanites, which were by the sea, heard that the LORD had dried up the waters of Jordan from before the children of Israel, until we were passed over, that their heart melted, neither was there spirit in them any more, because of the children of Israel.²At that time the LORD said unto Joshua, Make thee sharp knives, and circumcise again the children of Israel the second time.³And Joshua made him sharp knives, and circumcised the children of Israel at the hill of the foreskins.⁴And this is the cause why Joshua did circumcise: All the people that came out of Egypt, that were males, even all the men of war, died in the wilderness by the way, after they came out of Egypt.⁵Now all the people that came out were circumcised: but all the people that were born in the wilderness by the way as they came forth out of Egypt, them they had not circumcised.⁶For the children of Israel walked forty years in the wilderness, till all the people that were men of war, which came out of Egypt, were consumed, because they obeyed not the voice of the LORD: unto whom the LORD sware that he would not shew them the land, which the LORD sware unto their fathers that he would give us, a land that floweth with milk and honey.⁷And their children, whom he raised up in their stead, them Joshua circumcised: for they were uncircumcised, because they had not circumcised them by the way.⁸And it came to pass, when they had done circumcising all the people, that they abode in their

¹وَعِنْدَمَا سَمِعَ جَمِيعُ مُلُوكِ الْأَمُورِيِّينَ الَّذِينَ فِي غَبْرِ الْأُرْدُنِّ غَرْبًا، وَجَمِيعُ مُلُوكِ الْكَنْعَانِيِّينَ الَّذِينَ عَلَى الْبَحْرِ، أَنَّ الرَّبَّ قَدْ بَيَّسَ مِيَاهَ الْأُرْدُنِّ مِنْ أَمَامِ بَنِي إِسْرَائِيلَ حَتَّى غَبَرَتْ، ذَاتَ فُلُوتِهِمْ وَلَمْ يَبْقَ فِيهِمْ رُوحٌ بَعْدَ مِنْ جَرَاءِ بَنِي إِسْرَائِيلَ.²فِي ذَلِكَ الْوَقْتِ قَالَ الرَّبُّ لِيَشُوعَ، اصْنَعْ لِنَفْسِكَ سَكَكِينَ مِنْ صَوَّانٍ، وَعُدْ قَاحِئِينَ بَنِي إِسْرَائِيلَ ثَانِيَةً.³فَصَنَعَ يَشُوعُ سَكَكِينَ مِنْ صَوَّانٍ وَحَتَّى بَنِي إِسْرَائِيلَ فِي تَلِّ الْقُلْفِ.⁴وَهَذَا هُوَ سَبَبُ حَتَّى يَشُوعُ إِيَّاهُمْ، أَنَّ جَمِيعَ الشَّعْبِ الْخَارِجِينَ مِنْ مِصْرَ، الذُّكُورَ، جَمِيعَ رِجَالِ الْحَرْبِ، مَاتُوا فِي الْبَرِّيَّةِ عَلَى الطَّرِيقِ يُخْرِجُهُمْ مِنْ مِصْرَ.⁵لَآنَ جَمِيعَ الشَّعْبِ الَّذِينَ خَرَجُوا كَانُوا مَحْتُونِينَ. وَأَمَّا جَمِيعُ الشَّعْبِ الَّذِينَ وُلِدُوا فِي الْقَفْرِ عَلَى الطَّرِيقِ يُخْرِجُهُمْ مِنْ مِصْرَ فَلَمْ يُحْتُوا.⁶لَآنَ بَنِي إِسْرَائِيلَ سَارُوا أَرْبَعِينَ سَنَةً فِي الْقَفْرِ حَتَّى قَبِيَّ جَمِيعَ الشَّعْبِ رِجَالِ الْحَرْبِ الْخَارِجِينَ مِنْ مِصْرَ، الَّذِينَ لَمْ يَسْمَعُوا لِقَوْلِ الرَّبِّ، الَّذِينَ خَلَفَ الرَّبُّ لَهُمْ أَنَّهُ لَا يُرِيهِمُ الْأَرْضَ الَّتِي خَلَفَ الرَّبُّ لآبَائِهِمْ أَنْ يُعْطِيَهَا إِيَّاهَا، الْأَرْضَ الَّتِي تَفِيضُ لَبَنًا وَعَسَلًا.⁷وَأَمَّا بُتُوتُهُمْ فَأَقَامَهُمْ مَكَاتَهُمْ. فَإِيَّاهُمْ حَتَّى يَشُوعُ لَأَنَّهُمْ كَانُوا قُلْفًا، إِذْ لَمْ يَحْتُواهُمْ فِي الطَّرِيقِ.⁸وَكَانَ بَعْدَمَا انْتَهَى جَمِيعُ الشَّعْبِ مِنَ الْإِحْتِنَانِ أَنَّهُمْ أَقَامُوا فِي أَمَاكِيهِمْ فِي الْمَحَلَّةِ حَتَّى بَرُّوا.⁹وَقَالَ الرَّبُّ لِيَشُوعَ، الْيَوْمَ قَدْ دَخَرْتُ عَنْكُمْ عَارَ مِصْرَ. قَدْ عَيَّيْتُ اسْمَ ذَلِكَ الْمَكَانِ الْجَلْجَالَ إِلَى هَذَا الْيَوْمِ.¹⁰فَحَلَّ بَنُو إِسْرَائِيلَ فِي الْجَلْجَالِ، وَعَمِلُوا الْفُضْحَ فِي الْيَوْمِ الرَّابِعِ عَشَرَ مِنَ الشَّهْرِ مَسَاءً فِي غَرَبَاتِ أَرِيخَا.¹¹وَأَكَلُوا مِنْ غَلَّةِ الْأَرْضِ فِي الْعَدِ بَعْدَ الْفُضْحِ قَطِيرًا وَقَرِيحًا فِي نَفْسِ ذَلِكَ الْيَوْمِ.¹²وَانْقَطَعَ الْمَنْ فِي الْعَدِ عِنْدَ أَكْلِهِمْ مِنْ غَلَّةِ الْأَرْضِ، وَلَمْ يَكُنْ بَعْدَ لِبَنِي إِسْرَائِيلَ مَنْ. فَأَكَلُوا مِنْ مَحْضُولِ أَرْضِ كَنْعَانَ فِي تِلْكَ السَّنَةِ.¹³وَحَدَّتْ لَمَّا كَانَ يَشُوعُ عِنْدَ أَرِيخَا أَنَّهُ رَفَعَ عَيْنَيْهِ وَتَطَرَّ، وَإِذَا بِرَجُلٍ وَاقِفٍ قُبَالَتِهِ، وَسَيْفُهُ مَسْلُوكٌ بِيَدِهِ. فَسَارَ يَشُوعُ إِلَيْهِ وَسَأَلَهُ، هَلْ لَنَا أَنْتَ أَوْ لِأَعْدَائِنَا؟¹⁴فَقَالَ، كَلَّا، بَلْ أَنَا رَئِيسُ جُنْدِ الرَّبِّ. الْآنَ أَتَيْتُ. فَسَقَطَ يَشُوعُ عَلَى وَجْهِهِ إِلَى الْأَرْضِ وَسَجَدَ، وَقَالَ لَهُ، بِمَاذَا يُكَلِّمُ سَيِّدِي عَبْدَهُ.¹⁵فَقَالَ رَئِيسُ جُنْدِ الرَّبِّ لِيَشُوعَ، اخْلَعْ تَعْلَكَ مِنْ رِجْلِكَ، لَآنَ الْمَكَانَ الَّذِي أَنْتَ وَاقِفٌ عَلَيْهِ هُوَ مَقْدَسٌ. فَقَعَلَ يَشُوعُ كَذَلِكَ.

places in the camp, till they were whole.⁹ And the LORD said unto Joshua, This day have I rolled away the reproach of Egypt from off you. Wherefore the name of the place is called Gilgal unto this day.¹⁰ And the children of Israel encamped in Gilgal, and kept the passover on the fourteenth day of the month at even in the plains of Jericho.¹¹ And they did eat of the old corn of the land on the morrow after the passover, unleavened cakes, and parched corn in the selfsame day.¹² And the manna ceased on the morrow after they had eaten of the old corn of the land; neither had the children of Israel manna any more; but they did eat of the fruit of the land of Canaan that year.¹³ And it came to pass, when Joshua was by Jericho, that he lifted up his eyes and looked, and, behold, there stood a man over against him with his sword drawn in his hand: and Joshua went unto him, and said unto him, Art thou for us, or for our adversaries?¹⁴ And he said, Nay; but as captain of the host of the LORD am I now come. And Joshua fell on his face to the earth, and did worship, and said unto him, What saith my lord unto his servant?¹⁵ And the captain of the LORD's host said unto Joshua, Loose thy shoe from off thy foot; for the place whereon thou standest is holy. And Joshua did so.