

JOSHUA

POSSESSING THE PROMISES OF GOD

The Danger of Doing What Seems Right

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Joshua 9 (*Pew Bible pp. 232-233*)

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Notes:

1) The Alliance of Kings (Joshua 9:1-2)

2) The Alternative of the Gibeonites (Joshua 9:3-27)

A) The Deception (9:3-15)

B) The Discovery (9:16-21)

C) The Deal (9:22-27)

3) Weekday Application Questions

a) **EQUIP** —Where do you see the repetition of “heard” (šāma’) in Joshua 9–11, and how do the different people groups respond to the same information about God? What does Joshua 9:14 reveal about Israel’s failure, and how does “not asking the mouth of the LORD” contrast with simply acting on what they had heard?

b) **ENGAGE** — What is the difference between hearing about God and actively seeking God—and why does that distinction matter as you interact with unbelievers?

c) **EXALT**— When was the last time you intentionally sought the Lord before making a significant decision? How did it turn out?

d) **Here is your “One Thing” for this week:** Before you make decisions this week, pause and seek the Lord—don’t rely on what seems right; ask for His direction and follow it.