

A POTENT DEATH - V16-20



THE PRESENTATION -V16-18

Early the next morning
Joshua led all of Israel to
present themselves in
their tribes, and
the Lord chose the tribe of
Judah. So the family
groups of Judah presented
themselves, and themselves, and the Lord then chose the family group of Zerah. When all the families of Zerah presented themselves, the family of Zabdi was chosen. And Joshua told all the men in that family to present that family to present themselves.

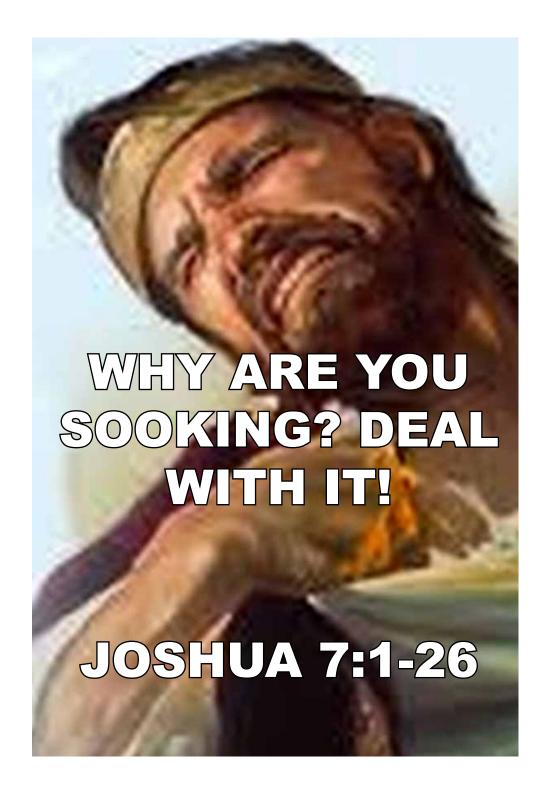
The Lord chose Achan son of Carmi. (Carmi was the son of Zabdi, who was the son of Zerah.)



THE PROCEDURE - V19-21

Then Joshua said to Achan, "My son, tell the truth. Confess to the Lord, the God of Israel, Tell me what you did, and don't try to hide anything from me."
Achan answered, "It is true! I
have sinned against the Lord, the God of Israel. This is what I did: Among the things I saw was a beautiful coat from Babylonia and about five pounds of silver and more than one and one-fourth pounds of gold. I wanted these things very much for myself, so I took them. You will find them buried in the ground under my tent, with the silver underneath."







THE PERPETRATOR-

But the Israelites did not obey the Lord. There was a man from the tribe of Judah named Achan. (He was the son of Carmi and grandson of Zabdi, who was the son of Zerah.) Because Achan kept some of the things that were to be given to the Lord, the Lord became very angry at the Israelites





THE PRESUMPTION -V2-3

Joshua sent some men from Jericho to Ai, which was near Beth Aven, east of Bethel. He told them, "Go to Ai and spy out the area." So the men went to spy on Ai. Later they came back to Joshua and said, "There are only a few people in Ai, so we will not need all our people to defeat them. Send only two or three thousand men to fight. There is no need to send all of our people."



THE PROVOCATION -V4-5

So about three thousand men went up to Ai, but the people of Ai beat them badly. The people of Ai killed about thirtysix Israelites and then chased the rest from the city gate all the way down to the canyon, killing them as they went down the hill. When the Israelites saw this, they lost their courage.







THE PRAYER - V6-9
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THE PROBLEM - V10-13

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The Lord said to Joshua, "Stand upl Why are you down on your face? The Israelites have sinned; they have broken the agreement I commanded them to obey. They took some of the things I commanded them to destroy. They have stolen and lied and have taken those things for themselves. That is why the Israelites cannot face their enemies. They turn away from the fight and run, because I have commanded that they be destroyed. I will not help you anymore unless you destroy everything as I commanded you. "Now go! Make the people holy. Fell them, Set yourselves apart to the Lord for tomorrow." The properties of the properti

THE PROCESS - V14-15 "Tomorrow morning you must be present with your tribes. The Lord will choose one tribe to stand alone before him. Then the Lord will choose one the Lord will choose one family group from that tribe to stand before him. Then the Lord will choose one family from that family group to stand before him, person by person. The one who is keeping what should have been destroyed will himself be destroyed by fire. Everything he owns will be destroyed with him. agreement with the Lord and has done a disgraceful thing among the people of Israel!"

