

Joshua: Chapter 21

- SC: You go all the way to the end of chapter 21. And there's a whole bunch of 'all's in there, ALL throughout. Action for you: find all the 'all's.
- SC: Now, verse 41.
- V. 41 – All the cities of the Levites in the midst of the possession of the sons of Israel were forty-eight cities... (SC: So the Levites got the cities with their pastor land)
- V. 42 – These cities each had its surrounding pastor land.
- V. 43 – So the Lord gave Israel all the land which he had promised to give to their fathers, and they possessed it, (SC: They went and took it) and lived in it.
- SC: Now go to Numbers 14:38. Write this reference down in your Bibles.
 - Number 14:48, "But Joshua the son of Nun and Caleb the son of Jephunneh remained alive out of those men who went to spy out the land."
 - So there were 10 spies, 8 of them were killed off. But because they walked in faith, Joshua and Caleb remained alive out of those men who witnessed by the land.
 - And here you are back in Joshua chapter 14 through 21, this is Joshua and Caleb. They *bought into* God's promises. And they *acted* on God's promises. And they did it *fully*.
- V. 44 – And the Lord gave them rest on every side.
 - (SC: In your Bibles, write "at home, job, and church.")
 - And not one of all their enemies stood before them. The Lord gave all their enemies into their hands. That's victory in the battle, not victory from the battle.
- V. 45 – Not one of the good promises which the LORD had made to the house of Israel failed; all came to pass.
 - Now write down John 17:15 in your Bibles and turn to it: "I do not ask Thee to take them out of the world, but to keep them from the evil *one*."
 - (SC: Another way of saying it is "I do not ask thee to take them out of the *battle*, but just to keep them from the evil one in the midst of the battle." Verse 16, "They are not of the world, even as I am not of the world." Verse 17, "Sanctify them in truth; Thy word is truth." There is a key. Sanctify them in thy word, because thy word is truth. Well, that make sense.")
 - **So Joshua chapter 21 verses 44 and 45 are crucial.**
 - *All the preceding chapters in Joshua lead to these two verses.* Rarely does the Bible definitively mark the time of these events. And when it does, it has always stood out to me. And right there with Caleb is a great example of it marking time with the events. So if my timing is right, my counting is right, they were in constant battle for seven years, up to that point. Seven years, and there's a magic number, seven. Three and seven are the two most powerful numbers. One, three, and seven. Always remember that. So seven years of battle.