





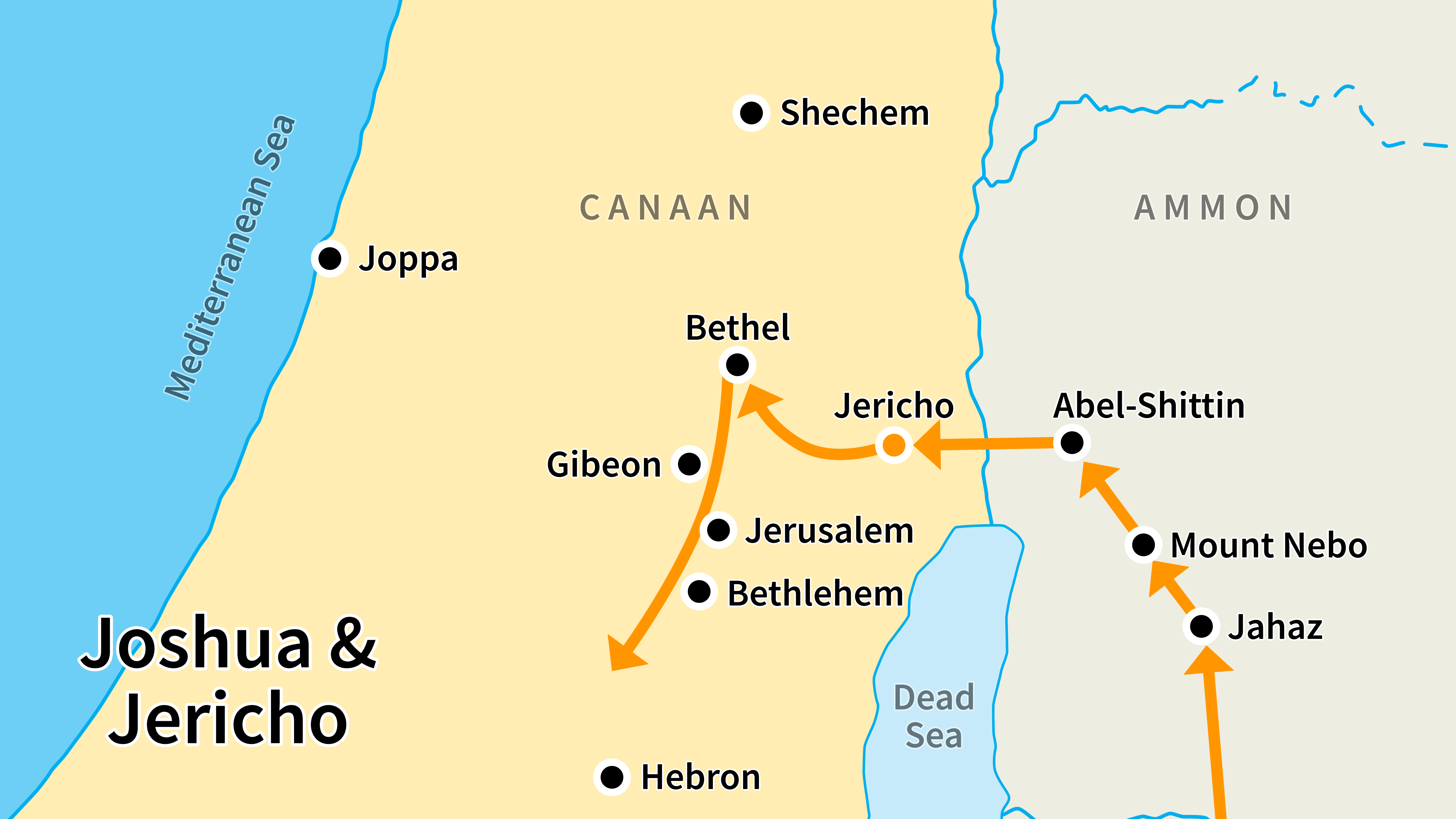
**AGAIN & AGAIN**



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God's people encounter  
obstacles when they  
seek to follow God  
in obedience.

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● Shechem

CANAAN

AMMON

Mediterranean Sea

● Joppa

Bethel

Jericho

Abel-Shittin

Gibeon

● Jerusalem

● Mount Nebo

● Bethlehem

● Jahaz

● Hebron

Dead Sea

**Joshua & Jericho**

**Humans tend to get  
creative when we try to  
overcome the obstacles  
that we face in life.**

**AGAIN & AGAIN**

## **A Righteous Lie?**

- 1. “The Lesser Of Two Evils” (An Acceptable Sin)**
- 2. “Hierarchicalism” (A Lie But Not A Sin)**
- 3. “Nonconflicting Absolutes”  
(A Lie Is Always Sin...Don't!)**

**AGAIN & AGAIN**



**The Lord detests lying lips,  
but He delights in people  
who are trustworthy.**

**PROVERBS 12:22**

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**Why not say — as some slanderously  
claim that we say — “Let us  
do evil that good may result”?  
Their condemnation is just!**

ROMANS 3:8

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**No temptation has overtaken you except what is common to mankind. And God is faithful; He will not let you be tempted beyond what you can bear. But when you are tempted, He will also provide a way out so that you can endure it.**

**1 CORINTHIANS 10:13**

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**For we do not have a high priest who is unable to empathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who has been tempted in every way, just as we are — yet He did not sin.**

**HEBREWS 4:15**

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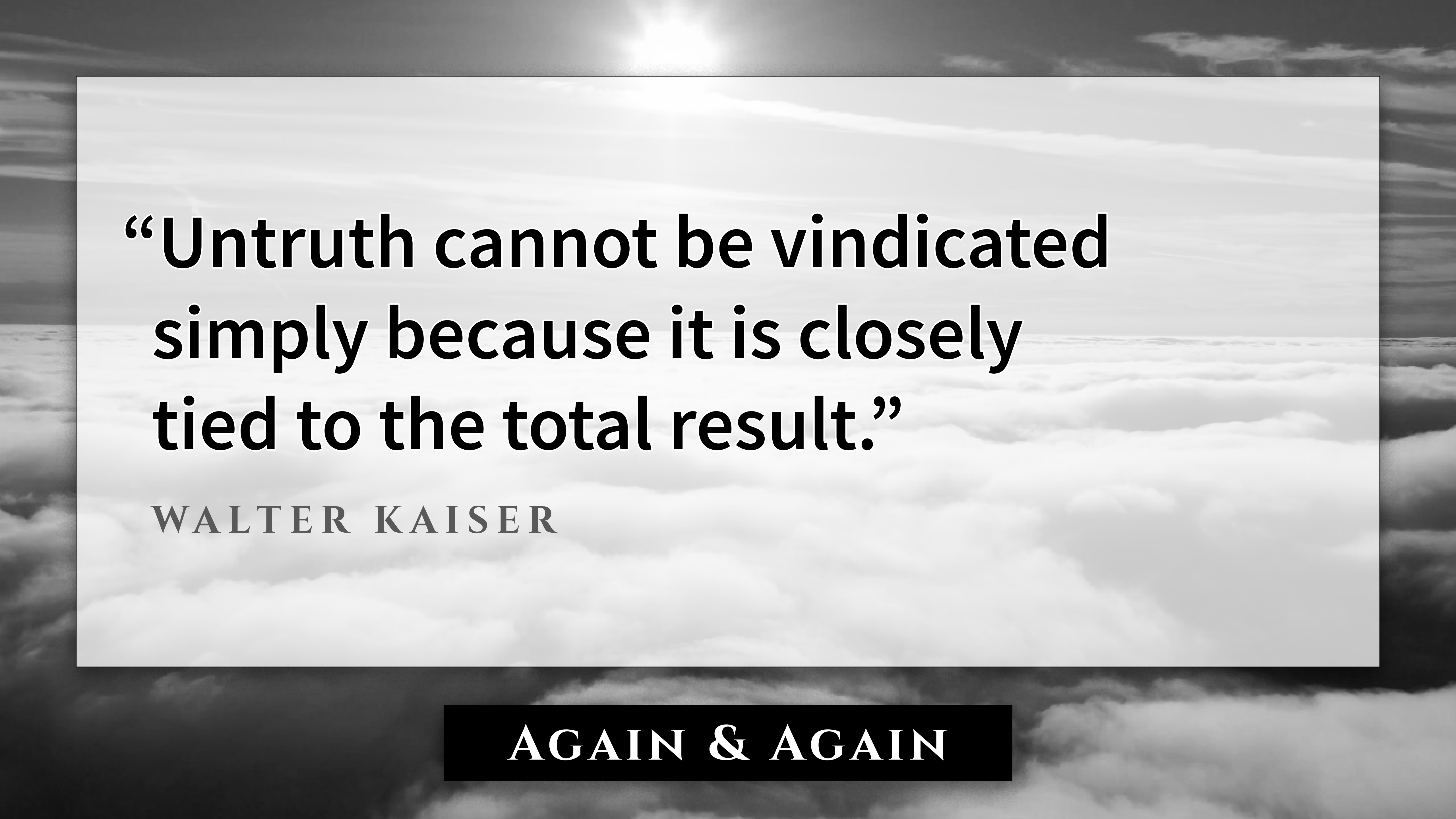
**“In evaluating Rahab, we render a mixed verdict, one that condemns her lie and momentary lack of trust in God, but one that commends here faith, both in deed and in word.”**

**DAVID HOWARD**

**AGAIN & AGAIN**

**“God allowed His purposes to be fulfilled in this most unusual manner, because His grace can operate in spite of the sinful maneuverings of men and women...”**

**AGAIN & AGAIN**



**“Untruth cannot be vindicated  
simply because it is closely  
tied to the total result.”**

**WALTER KAISER**

**AGAIN & AGAIN**

**Jesus never lied. Not only did He refuse deception; He entrusted himself to Him who judges justly.**

**AGAIN & AGAIN**

**Humans want reassurance  
of our wellbeing, a  
confidence that we will  
not be abandoned.**

**AGAIN & AGAIN**



**“The boundary between Israel and Canaan was not drawn along ethnic lines but in terms of allegiance to the Lord.”**

ESV STUDY BIBLE

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**God has His hand  
on His people's  
lives, whether we're  
surprised or not.**

**AGAIN & AGAIN**

God keeps His  
promises because He's  
committed to His glory.

AGAIN & AGAIN

**In the original reconnaissance (Numbers 13:31–33), the ten spies' hearts were melting in fear. But now, the enemies' hearts were melting in fear because of the reputation of Yahweh.**

**AGAIN & AGAIN**

God reveals himself  
to people so that they  
might trust in Him.

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**By faith the prostitute Rahab,  
because she welcomed the  
spies, was not killed with those  
who were disobedient.**

HEBREWS 11:31

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**“Sarah was a godly woman, the wife of the founder of the Hebrew race, and God used her dedicated body to bring Isaac into the world. But Rahab was an ungodly Gentile who worshipped pagan gods and sold her body for money...”**

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**“Humanly speaking, Sarah and Rahab had nothing in common. But from the divine viewpoint, Sarah and Rahab shared the most important thing in life: *They both had exercised saving faith in the true and living God.*”**

WARREN WIERSBE

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**In the same way, was not even Rahab the prostitute considered righteous for what she did when she gave lodging to the spies and sent them off in a different direction?**

**JAMES 2:25**

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**“Rahab believed in *one God*.**

**Rahab believed He was a *personal* God.**

**Rahab believed He was not limited  
to one nation or land, but was *the*  
*God of heaven and earth.*”**

**WARREN WIERSBE**

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**“The knowledge of Yahweh  
‘melts hearts’ to realize that  
they have nowhere else to go  
for safety and deliverance.”**

ZAC HESS

**AGAIN & AGAIN**

**Every person gets stuck on something(s) in life that produces shame in their hearts...and they are paralyzed. This passage says that you are not defined by your past or your reputation.**

**AGAIN & AGAIN**

**This is the genealogy of Jesus  
the Messiah the son of David,  
the son of Abraham:**

**MATTHEW 1:1**

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**Salmon the father of Boaz,  
whose mother was Rahab,  
Boaz the father of Obed,  
whose mother was Ruth,  
Obed the father of Jesse,**

**MATTHEW 1:5**

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**and Jesse the father of King David.  
David was the father of  
Solomon, whose mother  
had been Uriah's wife.**

**MATTHEW 1:6**

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**God uses flawed  
people and self-serving  
choices to accomplish  
His purposes.**

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