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“Life, like war, is a series of mistakes, and he is not the best Christian nor the best general who makes the fewest false steps...”

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**“But he is the best who wins
the most splendid victories
by the retrieval of mistakes.
Forget mistakes; organize
victories out of mistakes.”**

F. W. ROBERTSON, BRITISH PREACHER

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**“A mistake is an opportunity to
begin again, more intelligently.”**

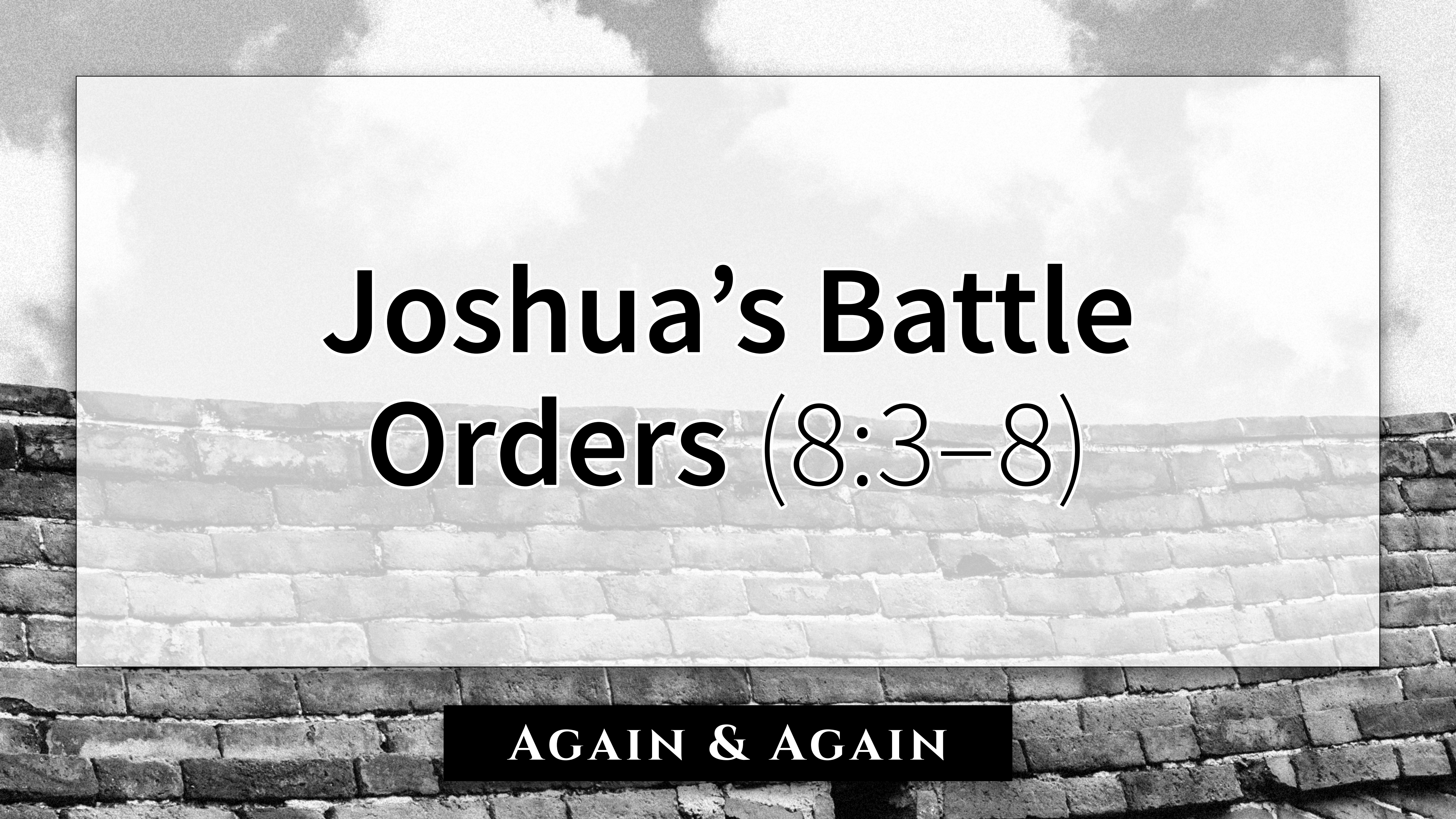
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Divine Instructions

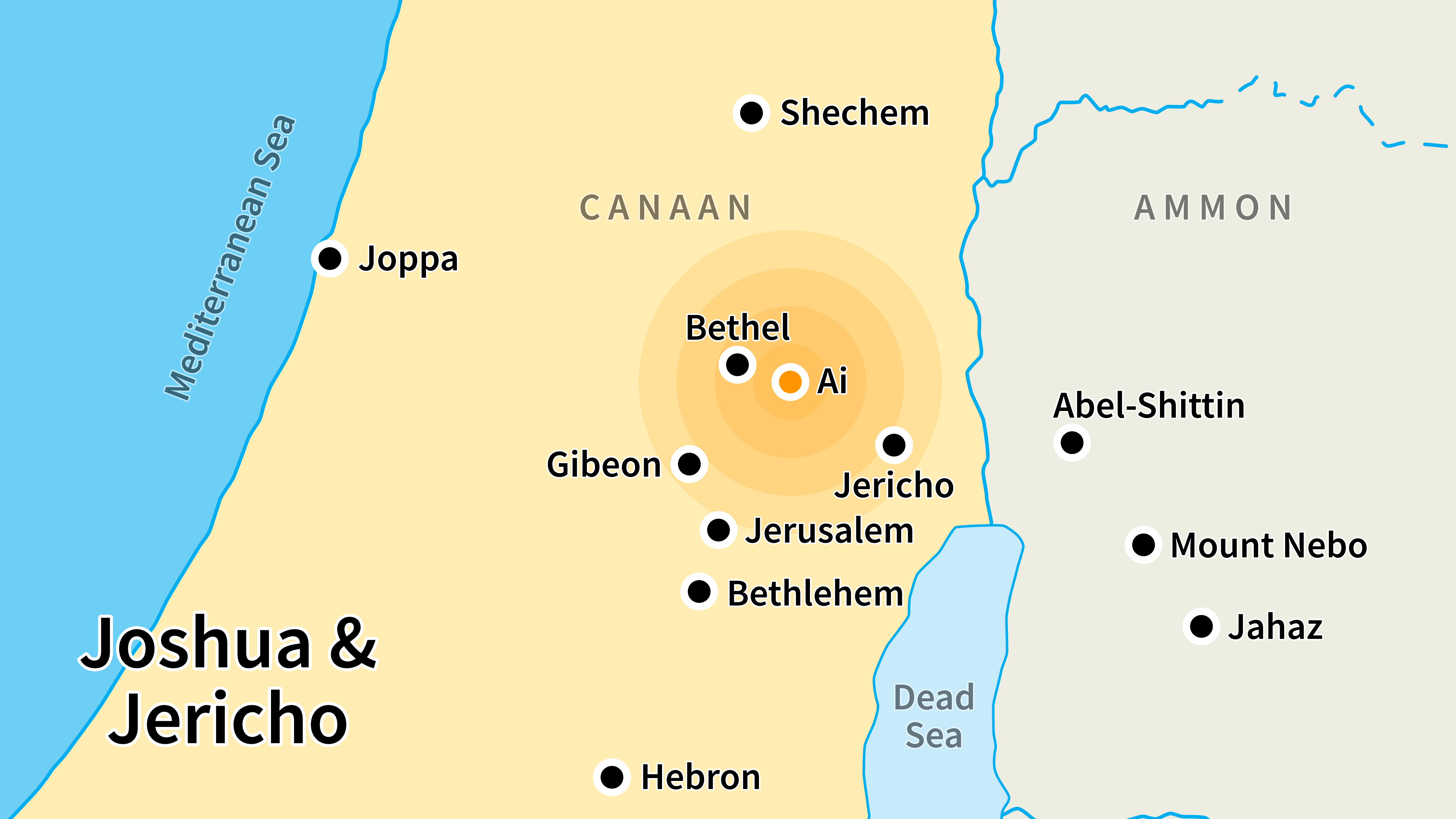
(8:1,2)

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Joshua's Battle Orders (8:3-8)

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Mediterranean Sea

CANAAN

AMMON

● Shechem

● Joppa

Bethel

● Ai

● Abel-Shittin

● Gibeon

● Jericho

● Mount Nebo

● Jerusalem

● Bethlehem

● Jahaz

● Hebron

Dead Sea

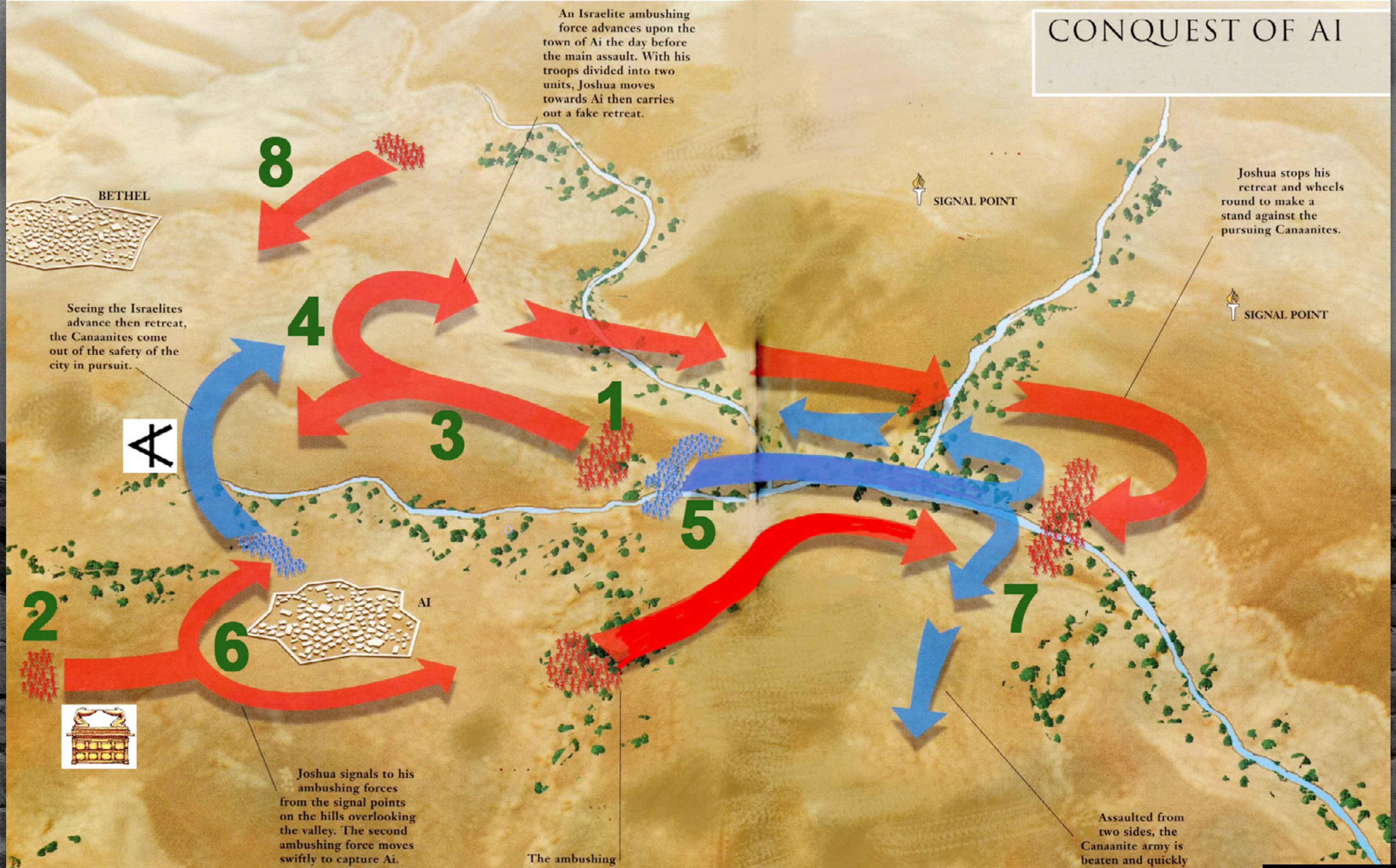
**Joshua &
Jericho**

Military Maneuvers

(8:9-29)

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CONQUEST OF AI



An Israelite ambushing force advances upon the town of Ai the day before the main assault. With his troops divided into two units, Joshua moves towards Ai then carries out a fake retreat.

Joshua stops his retreat and wheels round to make a stand against the pursuing Canaanites.

Seeing the Israelites advance then retreat, the Canaanites come out of the safety of the city in pursuit.

Joshua signals to his ambushing forces from the signal points on the hills overlooking the valley. The second ambushing force moves swiftly to capture Ai.

The ambushing force from Ai then moves to attack the Canaanites in the rear.

Assaulted from two sides, the Canaanite army is beaten and quickly routed.

Reconsecration to God's Plan (8:30–35)

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**Obedience is a
response to God's plan.**

**Offerings are a restoration
of fellowship with God.**

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**Now what I am commanding
you today is not too difficult for
you or beyond your reach.**

DEUTERONOMY 30:11

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It is not up in heaven, so that you have to ask, “Who will ascend into heaven to get it and proclaim it to us so we may obey it?”

DEUTERONOMY 30:12

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Nor is it beyond the sea, so that you have to ask, “Who will cross the sea to get it and proclaim it to us so we may obey it?”

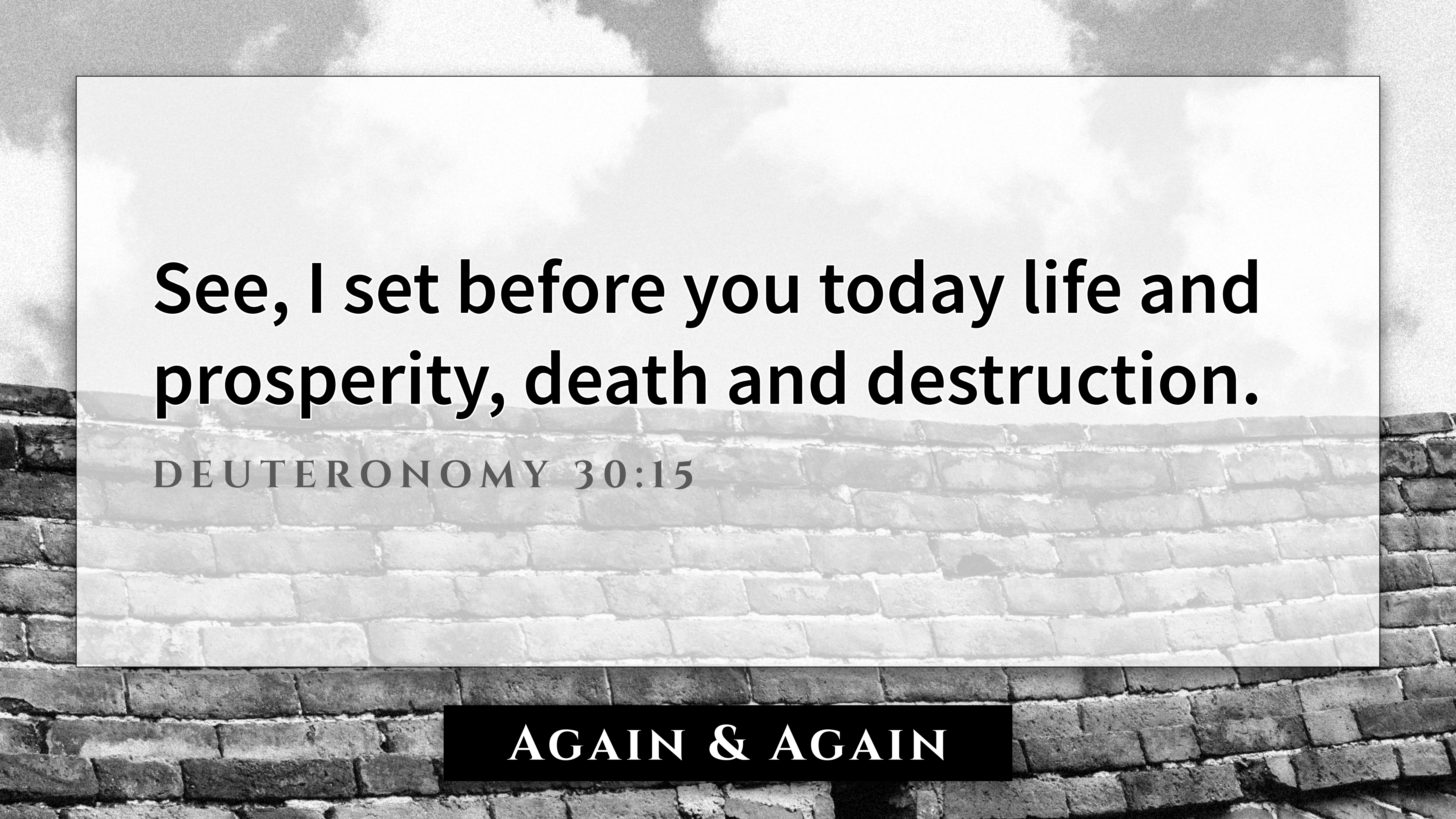
DEUTERONOMY 30:13

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**No, the word is very near you;
it is in your mouth and in your
heart so you may obey it.**

DEUTERONOMY 30:14

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**See, I set before you today life and
prosperity, death and destruction.**

DEUTERONOMY 30:15

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**For I command you today to love
the Lord your God, to walk in
obedience to Him, and to keep His
commands, decrees, and laws;**

DEUTERONOMY 30:16

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**then you will live and increase,
and the Lord your God will
bless you in the land you
are entering to possess.**

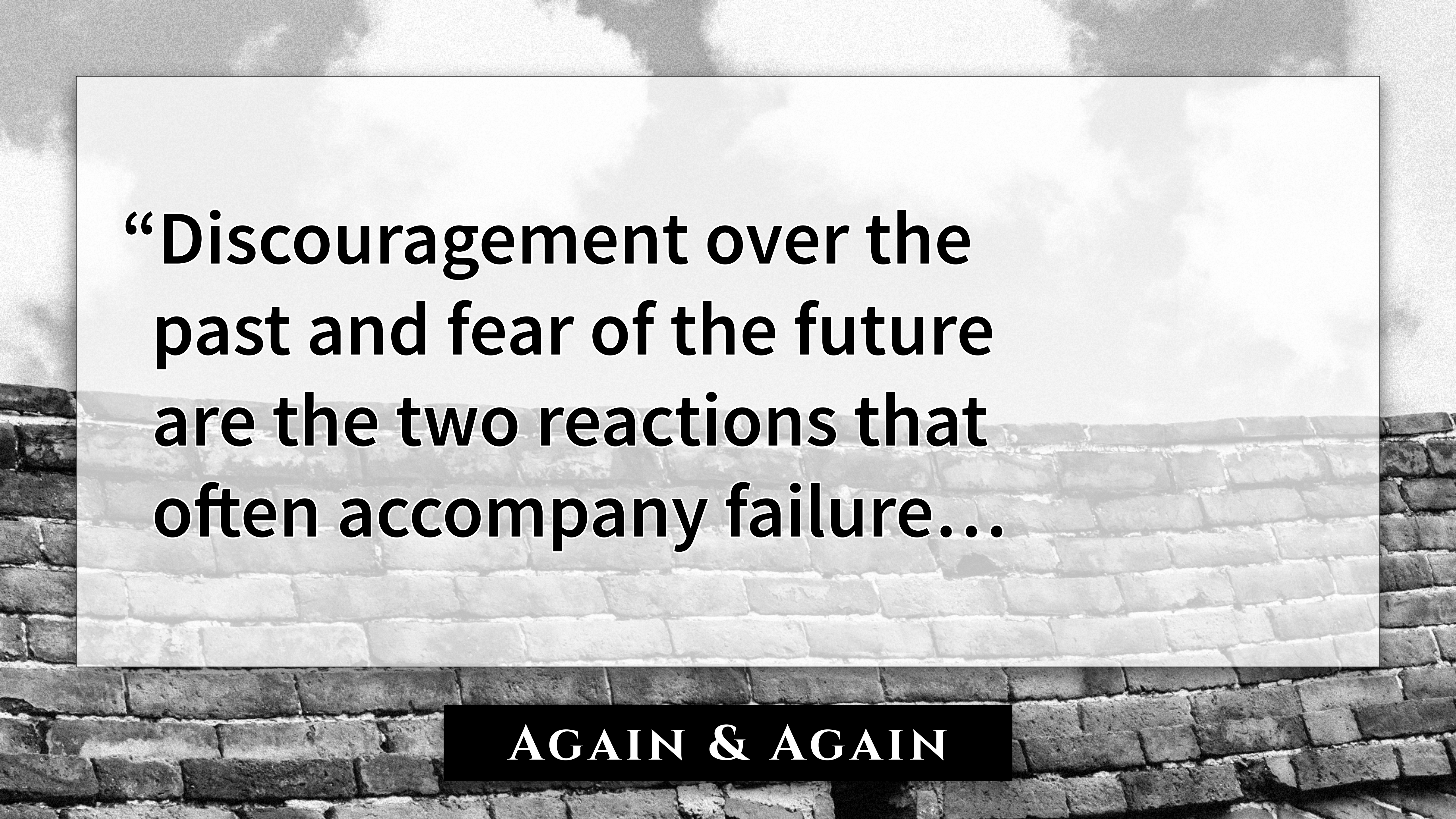
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Reminders of Allegiance & Obedience

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“Discouragement over the past and fear of the future are the two reactions that often accompany failure...”

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“We look back and remember the mistakes that we made, and then we look ahead and wonder whether there’s any future for people who fail so foolishly.”

WARREN WIERSBE

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**But seek first His kingdom and
His righteousness, and all these
things will be given to you as well.**

MATTHEW 6:33

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**I hope in the Lord Jesus to
send Timothy to you soon, that
I also may be cheered when
I receive news about you.**

PHILIPPIANS 2:19

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God's presence is with us.

God's program is for us.

Our actions before

God flow from hearts

committed to Him.

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**“Therefore go and make disciples
of all nations, baptizing them in
the name of the Father and of
the Son and of the Holy Spirit,**

MATTHEW 28:19

**“and teaching them to obey
everything I have commanded you.
And surely I am with you always,
to the very end of the age.”**

MATTHEW 28:20

