

THE TRIBE SCRIBE

Peace Treaties and Patchy Shoes!

God continues to help the Jewish people settle the land He promised them. Nearby towns continue to hear about them.

GOD IS ALWAYS GUIDING AND HELPING US.

YES, HE IS CONSTANTLY WITH US AS WE SETTLE HERE.

The people of **Giv'on** (Gibeon) hear how God is leading **Yehoshua** and the **Jewish people**. They begin to think about what they should do.

THE JEWISH PEOPLE FOLLOW GOD AND ARE A MIGHTY NATION.

WE MUST DECIDE HOW TO APPROACH THEM.

The **Giv'onim** (Gibeonites) decide to visit **Yehoshua**, pretending they have come from a far away land.

LET US GO TO YEHOSHUA AND SAY WE WOULD LIKE TO MAKE PEACE.

WE WILL MAKE IT LOOK LIKE WE HAVE TRAVELLED A LONG DISTANCE.

The **Giv'onim** gather old sacks, cracked wineskins, patched sandals, and dry bread to support their story.

THESE THINGS LOOK VERY OLD. I'M SURE I THREW OUT THESE SANDALS LAST WEEK!

YES YOU DID. I FISHED THEM OUT OF THE DUSTBIN!

The **Giv'onim** arrive at the **Jewish** camp and ask **Yehoshua** to make a peaceful agreement with them.

WE HAVE COME FROM A DISTANT LAND. PLEASE MAKE PEACE WITH US.

HMMM... I CAN CERTAINLY SEE THAT!

WOW! THEY MUST HAVE COME FROM A VERY FAR LAND. THERE'S PROBABLY NO SPORTS DIRECT OR RUSSELL AND BROMLEY IN TOWN!

THEIR SANDALS AND BAGS DO LOOK VERY OLD.

Yehoshua and the leaders make a peaceful agreement with the **Giv'onim**.

WE MAKE A PROMISE OF PEACE WITH YOU.

PHEW! THANK YOU. WE ARE GRATEFUL.

Later, the **Jewish people** discover that the **Giv'onim** actually live nearby.

HOLD ON A MINUTE! YOU LIVE CLOSE TO US.

OH OH. WE'VE BEEN FOUND OUT!

BUT WE WILL STILL HONOUR OUR WORD AS WE MADE A PROMISE BEFORE GOD.

Yehoshua gives the **Giv'onim** special jobs helping with the work around the **Mishkan** (Tabernacle).

YOU WILL HELP CARE FOR GOD'S HOUSE, CHOP WOOD AND DRAW WATER.

WE WILL SERVE FAITHFULLY.

WE CAN LIVE TOGETHER IN PEACE... WE LIKE THAT!