

Title: Block Buster – Joshua 10 9-15

Read:

⁹⁻¹¹ Joshua marched all night from Gilgal and took them by total surprise. God threw them into total confusion before Israel, a major victory at Gibeon. Israel chased them along the ridge to Beth Horon and fought them all the way down to Azekah and Makkedah. As they ran from the People of Israel, down from the Beth Horon ridge and all the way to Azekah, God pitched huge stones on them out of the sky and many died. More died from the hailstones than the People of Israel killed with the sword. ¹²⁻¹³ The day God gave the Amorites up to Israel, Joshua spoke to God, with all Israel listening: "Stop, Sun, over Gibeon; Halt, Moon, over Aijalon Valley." And Sun stopped, Moon stood stock still Until he defeated his enemies. ¹³⁻¹⁴ (You can find this written in the Book of Jashar.) The sun stopped in its tracks in mid sky; just sat there all day. There's never been a day like that before or since—God took orders from a human voice! Truly, God fought for Israel. ¹⁵ Then Joshua returned, all Israel with him, to the camp at Gilgal.

Think:

If you asked you mates at college what they thought about the Bible, what would their first response be? I would have a guess that the word boring would be among the top ten to describe what they thought about the Bible. Boring, are they having a laugh? There are many words that you can use to describe the Bible, but boring isn't one that I would choose. If you were going to see a film, what type would you choose? A film where there was a war between two great nations, you might think that it would be an epic war movie. Maybe you would prefer a film where the World was threatened by great hailstones that killed people? Or even a block buster where the world stood still and the sun stopped moving? You might find it hard to choose what great film to see. How about all that happening in six verses of the Bible? Doesn't sound like a boring book to me. Maybe just maybe we have let the World convince us that the Bible is boring. Or maybe we have let adults make the bible boring. What ever we have done, Gods Basic Instruction Before Leaving Earth is most certainly not boring.

Pray:

Lord thanks for the instruction manual. Please help find parts that you would have me read today. Amen.

Action:

Do you find the Bible hard to read? Find a version that you can relate to. There are all types of translation available from the type with old word, to the type that uses street language. Heck there is even a Manga Bible. There's no excuse find one that you like, and do it today. Cheerio.