

Numbers 21:21-35 **Sihon and Og – Kings of the Amorites**

²¹ Then Israel sent messengers to Sihon king of the Amorites, saying, ²² "Let me pass through your land. We will not turn aside into fields or vineyards; we will not drink water from wells; but we will go by the King's Highway until we have passed through your territory." ²³ But Sihon would not allow Israel to pass through his territory. So Sihon gathered all his people together and went out against Israel in the wilderness, and he came to Jahaz and fought against Israel. ²⁴ Then Israel defeated him with the edge of the sword, and took possession of his land from the Arnon to the Jabbok, as far as the people of Ammon; for the border of the people of Ammon was fortified. ²⁵ So Israel took all these cities, and Israel dwelt in all the cities of the Amorites, in Heshbon and in all its villages. ²⁶ For Heshbon was the city of Sihon king of the Amorites, who had fought against the former king of Moab, and had taken all his land from his hand as far as the Arnon. ²⁷ Therefore those who speak in proverbs say:

"Come to Heshbon, let it be built;
Let the city of Sihon be repaired.

²⁸ "For fire went out from Heshbon,
A flame from the city of Sihon;
It consumed Ar of Moab,
The lords of the heights of the Arnon.

²⁹ Woe to you, Moab!
You have perished, O people of Chemosh!
He has given his sons as fugitives,
And his daughters into captivity,
To Sihon king of the Amorites.

³⁰ "But we have shot at them;
Heshbon has perished as far as Dibon.
Then we laid waste as far as Nophah,
Which reaches to Medeba."

³¹ Thus Israel dwelt in the land of the Amorites. ³² Then Moses sent to spy out Jazer; and they took its villages and drove out the Amorites who were there.

³³ And they turned and went up by the way to Bashan. So Og king of Bashan went out against them, he and all his people, to battle at Edrei. ³⁴ Then the LORD said to Moses, "Do not fear him, for I have delivered him into your hand, with all his people and his land; and you shall do to him as you did to Sihon king of the Amorites, who dwelt at Heshbon." ³⁵ So they defeated him, his sons, and all his people, until there was no survivor left him; and they took possession of his land. NKJV

Facts Revealed:

- ✧ The **Amorites** were counted among the people destined by God to be destroyed from the land and listed among the seven nations specified. [[Genesis 15:17-21](#), [Exodus 3:7-8](#), [13-17](#), [13:3-5](#), [23:20-24](#), [33:1-3](#), [34:10-17](#)]
- ✧ They are descendants of Canaan who was descended from Ham the son of Noah. [[Genesis 10:15](#)]

- ✧ Israel had been slaves in the land of Egypt for 400 years before they were to come and inherit the Promised Land because the iniquity of the **Amorites** was not yet complete when the promise was first given to Abraham. [[Genesis 15:13-16](#)]
- ✧ Jacob said that he had taken land from the Amorites by the sword as he blessed the sons of Joseph. [[Genesis 48:17-22](#)]
- ✧ Attempting to avoid war on the way to the Promised Land, Moses sent messengers to Sihon the king of the Amorites requesting peaceful passage through his land and showing respect for his right of possession of the fields, vineyards, and even the water of his wells.
- ✧ Sihon refused and came out against Israel with his armies and fought against Israel in the wilderness.
- ✧ Israel defeated the Amorites with Sihon and took possession of his lands and cities to the border of the Ammonites from the Arnon to the Jabbok. [[Numbers 21:24](#)]
- ✧ The Ammonites were descendants of Lot the son of Haran the brother of Abraham. [[Genesis 11:27-29, 19:30-38](#)]
- ✧ The Ammonites were descendants of the line of Shem the son of Noah. [[Genesis 11:10-32](#)]
- ✧ Sihon the king of Heshbon had formerly taken the land from the Moabites known as the Ar of Moab and the Arnon. [[Numbers 21:26, 28](#)]
- ✧ Moab is son of Lot and brother of Ben-Ammi father of the people of Ammon. [[Genesis 19:30-38](#)]
- ✧ The people of Moab worship Chemosh. [[Numbers 21:29, 1 Kings 11:33](#)]
- ✧ Moses sent spies to spy out Jazer, they took its villages and drove out the Amorites who were there.
- ✧ They turned toward Bashan, so Og the king of Bashan went out against them to battle at Edrei.
- ✧ Yehowah said to Moses, “Do not fear him, for I have delivered him into your hand with all his people and his land; You shall do to him as you did to Sihon king of the Amorites who dwelt at Heshbon.”
- ✧ Israel defeated Og king of Bashan, his sons, and all his people until there was no survivor left. They took possession of his land.
- ✧ Og was the last of the line of the giants (Nephilim), his bed was 13 ½ ft long and 6 ft wide. [[Deuteronomy 3:11, Genesis 6:1-4](#)]
- ✧ Og was also a king of the Amorites. [[Deuteronomy 3:7, Joshua 9:10](#)]