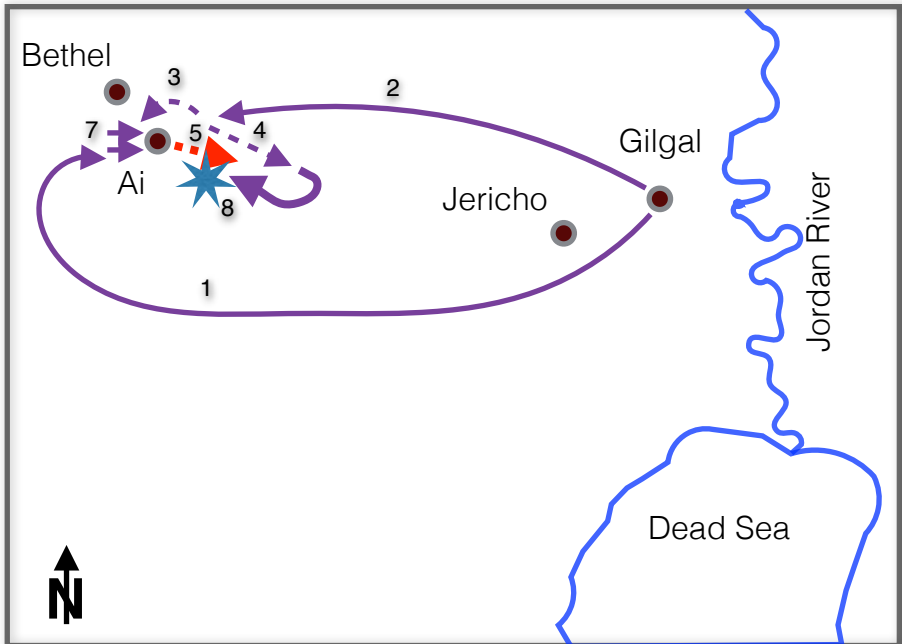


The Battle Of Ai (Joshua 8)



1. Joshua sent 30000 men around behind the city (on the west) by night (Josh 8:3-4,9).
2. In the morning, Joshua and those with him approached the city and pitched to the north (v5,10-11).
3. Joshua sent 5000 men around to the west of the city between Bethel and Ai (v12).
4. Joshua went that night into the midst of the valley (east of Ai) (v13)
5. When the men of Ai saw, they gathered the men of war, and pursued after Joshua, who fled from them (v6,14-15).
6. Thus the men of Ai (and Bethel) were drawn out of the city towards the fleeing Israelites (v6, 16-17).
7. At the signal from Joshua, the men behind the city came in, took the city and burnt it with fire (v7,18-19).
8. When Joshua saw the city on fire, he turned on his pursuers, who were now completely surrounded, and let none escape (v21-22).
9. The King of Ai was captured and brought to Joshua (v23), who hanged him of a tree until evening when he was cast in the gate of the city with a heap of stones over him (v29).
10. The cattle and spoil was given to the people for a prey, and the city was made a heap for ever (v27-29).