

# Deuteronomy 3:5

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

All these cities were fenced with high walls, gates, and bars; beside unwalled towns a great many.

## Analysis

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The distinction between 'fenced cities' and 'unwalled towns' shows the totality of conquest—both fortified urban centers and rural villages came under Israel's control. The phrase 'beside unwalled towns a great many' indicates extensive territorial possession. This comprehensive victory provided economic resources and strategic security for the tribes settling east of Jordan. God's gifts are often more abundant than minimally necessary.

## Historical Context

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Conquering both fortified cities and numerous villages gave Israel complete control of the region, preventing any resistance strongholds. This total conquest pattern was commanded by God to ensure Israel's security and prevent Canaanite religious influence from corrupting Israel's worship.

## Related Passages

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**1 Corinthians 13:4** — Characteristics of love

**John 15:13** — Greatest form of love

## Study Questions

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1. How does God's provision in your life exceed basic necessity?

2. In what areas do you need to pursue complete victory rather than partial success?

## Interlinear Text

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דָּלַת יִם גִּבְעָה חֹזֶם הַבָּצָר תְּמַעַרְתִּי אֵלֶּה כָּל  
H3605 H428 All these cities were fenced walls with high gates  
H5892 H1219 H2346 H1364 H1817

מִאָדָ: פְּרַב הַפְּרַבְנִי לְבָד וּבָר יִם  
and bars H905 All these cities beside unwalled many a great  
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