

# Judges 20:34

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

And there came against Gibeah ten thousand chosen men out of all Israel, and the battle was sore: but they knew not that evil was near them.

## Analysis

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Verse 34: And there came against Gibeah ten thousand chosen men out of all Israel, and the battle was sore: bu... [The battle unfolds according to God's promised deliverance, with Israel's ambush strategy succeeding through divine blessing following proper consultation.]

## Historical Context

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This verse describes tactical details of the third-day battle where Israel's ambush strategy, blessed by God after proper seeking (vv. 26-28), results in Benjamin's defeat.

## Related Passages

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**Ephesians 2:8** — Salvation by grace through faith

**John 3:16** — God's love and salvation

## Study Questions

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1. How do you see God's hand in the tactical details of life after committing your way to Him?
2. What role does strategy play when combined with divine blessing?

### 3. How do preparation and prayer work together in achieving godly outcomes?

## Interlinear Text

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וַיָּבֹאוּ	מִן גֹּד	לְגִבְעָה	עֶשְׂרֵת	אֶלֶף יָם	אֲנָשִׁים	בְּחֹר
And there came	against	Gibeah	ten	thousand	men	chosen
H935	H5048	H1390	H6235	H505	H376	H977
מִכָּל	יִשְׂרָאֵל	וְהַמִּלְחָמָה	כִּי זָה	וְהֵם	לֹא	יָדְעוּ
H3605	out of all Israel	and the battle	was sore	H1992	H3808	but they knew
	H3478	H4421	H3513			H3045
כִּי	נֶגַעַת	עָלֶיהָ	הָרָעָה:			
H3588	was near	H5921	not that evil			
	H5060		H7451			

## Additional Cross-References

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**Joshua 8:14** (References Israel): And it came to pass, when the king of Ai saw it, that they hasted and rose up early, and the men of the city went out against Israel to battle, he and all his people, at a time appointed, before the plain; but he wist not that there were liers in ambush against him behind the city.

**Isaiah 47:11** (Evil): Therefore shall evil come upon thee; thou shalt not know from whence it riseth: and mischief shall fall upon thee; thou shalt not be able to put it off: and desolation shall come upon thee suddenly, which thou shalt not know.

**Job 21:13** (Parallel theme): They spend their days in wealth, and in a moment go down to the grave.