JOSHUA 7-8

1.	Achan took some of the devoted/accursed things that were supposed to be destroyed. Look back at 6:18. What did God say would happen if someone took any of those things?
2.	Achan's sin did not just affect him alone. Who are some other people in chapter 7 that his sin negatively affected?
3.	When Israel was defeated at Ai, their hearts melted (7:5). In 2:8-11, whose hearts melted and what caused them to melt? In 5:1, whose hearts melted and what caused it?
4.	Look at Joshua's prayer to God in 7:6-9. In your opinion, what are some good things about his prayer? And in your opinion, what are some negative things (if any) about his prayer?
5.	In your opinion, why do you think God didn't just tell Joshua directly Achan sinned? Why do you think He had Israel gather and go through a process narrowing it down to Achan?
6.	What are the verbs used in 7:21 to describe the things that Achan did? How does this compare to what Eve did in Genesis 3:6?

7.	At the beginning of chapter 8, God's instructions about what to do to Ai were similar to His instructions about what to do to Jericho, but what difference(s) were there?
8.	In your own words, describe the strategy that God had Israel use to defeat Ai.
9.	In the battle of Ai, Joshua had a javelin /sword/spear in his hand. What did he use it for in 8:18-19? What did he do with it in verse 26?
10.	In chapters 7 and 8, there are two great heaps of stones . What was the first heap of stones raised over? What was the second heap of stones raised over?
11.	In Deuteronomy 27:1-13, Moses had commanded the Israelites to go to Mt. Gerizim and Mt. Ebal. Who was to stand on Gerizim (v. 12)? Who was to stand on Ebal (v. 13)?
	As Joshua read to the people from the law, how much was read to the people?
	To whom did he read (vv. 33, 35)?
12.	As you look at chapters 7 and 8, what do you think are at least two lessons that we can learn from this story?