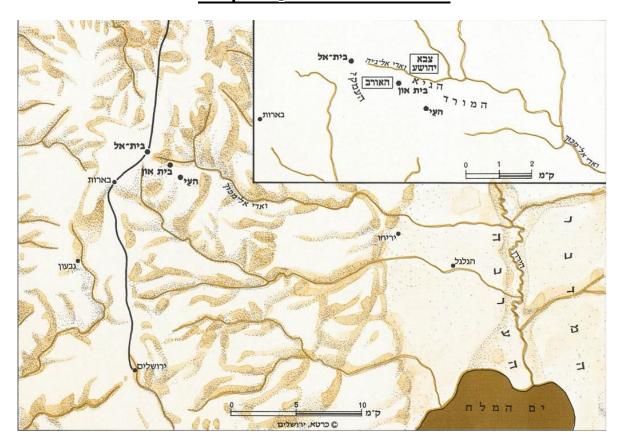
Chapter 81: The Battle of Ai 2.0



Rashi Devarim 25:18

Yet another explanation is that it is connected in meaning with the expression קור in the phrase קור "cold and heat" and it means: he made you cold and lukewarm after the boiling heat you had before. For all the nations were afraid to war against you and this one came and began to point out the way to others. A parable! It may be compared to a boiling hot bath into which no living creature could descend. A good-for-nothing came, and sprang down into it; although he scalded himself he made it appear cold to others (Tanchuma Ki Tetze 9).

1. רש"י דברים כ"ה:יח ד"ה אשר קרך

דָּייאַ לְשׁוֹן קֹר וְחֹם, צִנֶּנְדְּ וְהִפְּשִׁירְדְּ מֵרְתִּיחְתְּדְּ, שֶׁהִיוּ כָּל הָאֵמוֹת יְרֵאִים לְהָלֶּחֵם בָּכֶם וּבָא זֶה וְהִתְּחִיל וְהֶרְאָה מְקוֹם לַאֲחֵרִים; מָשֶׁל לְאַמְבָּטִי רוֹתַחַת שֶׁאֵין כָּל בְּרָיָּה יְכוֹלָה לֵירֵד בְּתוֹכָהּ, בָּא בֶן בְּלִיַּעַל אֶחָד קַפַּץ וְיָרְד לְתוֹכָהּ, אַצִייִּפּ שֶׁנְּכְוָה הַקַרָהּ אוֹתָהּ בִּפְנֵי אֲחֵרִים לְתוֹכָהֹ):