There was a little city, and the men<sup>1</sup> in it were few, and there came to it a great king, and he surrounded it and built against it great strongholds.

Footnote: Literally, and men Hebrew, wa-'ana-shim', plural of 'ish

[2] - References:

- And they proceeded to come and lay siege against him in Abel of Beth-maacah and cast up a siege rampart against the city, as it was standing within a rampart. And all the people that were with Joab were undermining the wall, to throw it down. (2 Samuel 20:15)
- Only a tree that you know is not a tree for food, it is the one you should ruin, and you must cut it down and build siegeworks against the city that is making war with you, until it falls. (Deuteronomy 20:20)