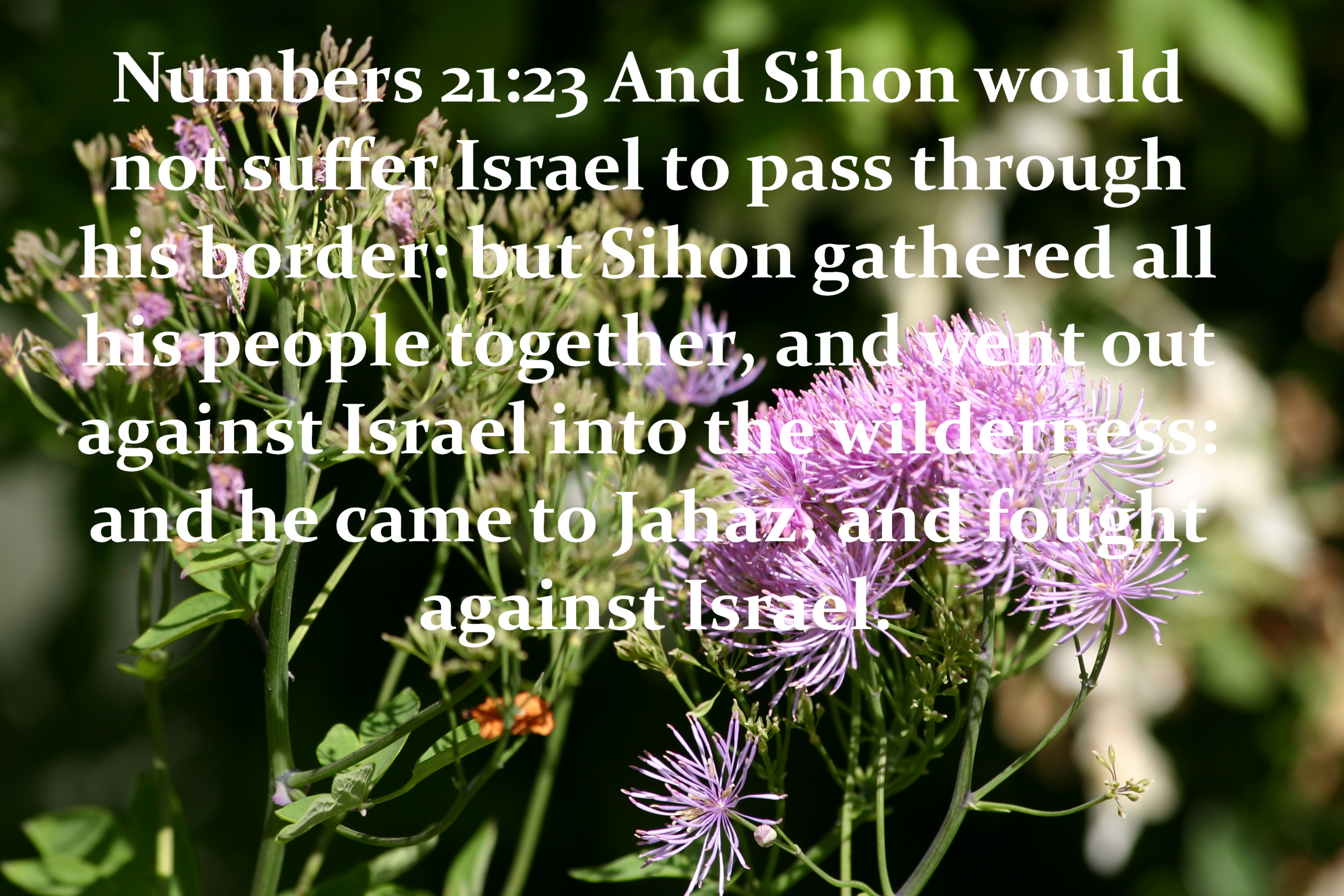


A close-up photograph of several purple thistle flowers with green stems and leaves. The flowers are in various stages of bloom, with some showing the characteristic spiky, radiating petals. The background is a soft, out-of-focus green, suggesting a natural outdoor setting.

Numbers 21:23 And Sihon would not suffer Israel to pass through his border: but Sihon gathered all his people together, and went out against Israel into the wilderness: and he came to Jahaz, and fought against Israel.