

JUDGES

1355. Judges 1:1-2 Joshua dies; God gives Tribe of Judah leadership over Israel.
1356. Judges 1:3-4 Judah Tribe asks Simeon Tribe to help subdue Canaanites; ten thousand of the enemy are slain.
1357. Judges 1:5-7 Judah and Simeon Tribes take Adoni-bezek, Canaanite King and cut off his thumbs and big toes.
1358. Judges 1:8 Judah Tribe fights and takes Jerusalem and sets it on fire.
1359. Judges 1:9-11 Judah Tribe fights Canaanites while Simeon Tribe fight in the mountains against Hebron and Debir.
1360. Judges 1:12-15 Repeat of Caleb giving his daughter to the victor over Kirjath-sepher (Joshua 15:13-19).
1361. Judges 1:16 Moses' father-in-law's folks (Kenites) moved to "City of Palm Trees" with Judah Tribe.
1362. Judges 1:17-18 Judah and Simeon tribes destroy Zaphath, take Gaza, Askelon, and Ekron.
1363. Judges 1:19 Judah drives out the mountain people but could not conquer the chariots of iron in their valleys.
1364. Judges 1:20-21 Repeat of Caleb receiving Hebron and the Jebusites are not driven out of Jerusalem but are allowed to live there with the Benjaminites.
1365. Judges 1:22-26 The "House of Joseph" takes Bethel; a man there shows them the entrance and he and his family are spared.
1366. Judges 1:27-33 Manasseh, Ephraim, Zebulun, Asher, and Naphtali fail to rid their inheritances of all of the Canaanites.

1367. Judges 1:34 Amorites force the Tribe of Dan into the mountains to live and control the valleys.
1368. Judges 1:35-36 House of Joseph prevails against and isolates the Amorites to tributaries of their inheritance.
1369. Judges 2:1-5 Angel from Gilgal tells Israel that they have failed in their conquest of the Canaanites; they weep at Bochim.
1370. Judges 2:6-9 Repeat of Joshua's successes, death, and burial (Joshua 24:29).
1371. Judges 2:10-13 Old generation of Israel dies, the new generation serves Baal and Ashtaroth.
1372. Judges 2:14-15 God delivers Israel into the hands of their enemies; they are distressed.
1373. Judges 2:16 God raises up Judges to deliver Israel from their enemies.
1374. Judges 2:17-23 Israel refuses to harken unto the Judges; God stops them from defeating the Canaanites.
1375. Judges 3:1-4 The new Israelite generation knew no history of warfare and could not fight the enemy.
1376. Judges 3:5-7 Israel intermarries with the Canaanites, give their daughters to Canaanites for marriage, and worship Baalim and the Groves.
1377. Judges 3:8 God sells Israel into the hand of the King of Mesopotamia for eight years captivity.
1378. Judges 3:9-10 Israel cries out; Othniel, Caleb's nephew (FIRST JUDGE OF ISRAEL) takes Mesopotamia and reigns over Israel for forty years.
1379. Judges 3:11-14 Judge Othniel dies; King of Moab enslaves Israel for eighteen years.

1380. Judges 3:15 Israel repents; Ehud, a Benjamite (SECOND JUDGE OF ISRAEL) judges Israel; Judge Ehud is left-handed.
1381. Judges 3:15-16 Judge Ehud sends a present to King Eglon of Moab; Ehud makes a special dagger for his right side.
1382. Judges 3:17-19 Moab's King Eglon is a fat man; Ehud visits him and wishes to share a secret with him; King Eglon sends his servants out.
1383. Judges 3:20-23 Judge Ehud displays no weapon on his left side; King Eglon did not know he was left handed and had a weapon on his right side; they go into a closed room and Ehud drives the left handed dagger into Eglon's belly; his belly fat closes over the hilt and he can not pull it out.
1384. Judges 3:24-25 Moab King Eglon's servants are afraid to open the locked door but finally do, and find Eglon dead and Ehud escaped.
1385. Judges 3:26-30 Judge Ehud defeats Moab and Judges Israel for eighty years.
1386. Judges 3:31 Shamgar (THIRD JUDGE OF ISRAEL) slays 600 Philistines with an ox goad and rules Israel for a while.
1387. Judges 4:1-2 Israel does evil and is enslaved by King Jabin of Canaan; Sisera is his captain.
1388. Judges 4:3 King Jabin and Captain Sisera had 900 iron chariots; they enslave Israel for twenty years.
1389. Judges 4:4-5 A woman, Deborah (FOURTH JUDGE OF ISRAEL) is a prophetess and rules Israel.
1390. Judges 4:6-9 Judge Deborah calls Barak as her Captain and plots to conquer Sisera.
1391. Judges 4:10-16 Captain Barak and Judge Deborah take ten thousand Israelites and defeat Captain Sisera and the GENTILES.

1392. Judges 4:17-20 Captain Sisera escapes to the tent of Jael, wife of Heber the Kenite; she hides him.
1393. Judges 4:21-24 While he is asleep, Jael drives a nail through Sisera's temple, killing him; Israel conquers King Jabin and the Canaanites.
1394. Judges 5:1-31 Judge Deborah and Captain Barak praise God over their victories for this whole chapter; Judge Deborah reigns over Israel 40 years.
1395. Judges 6:1-2 Israel does evil again; they build dens, caves, and strongholds against the Midianites.
1396. Judges 6:3-6 The Midianites, Amalekites, and people of the East destroy Israel's crops and take their stock.
1397. Judges 6:7-10 Israel cries out to God; He sends a prophet, chastises Israel, and tells them to not fear the Amorites.
1398. Judges 6:11-16 Gideon (FIFTH JUDGE OF ISRAEL) called by God; he tries to make excuses against leading Israel; an angel comes to him.
1399. Judges 6:17-24 Gideon asks the angel for a sign, he places a kid on the altar, and the angel brings fire which consumes it.
1400. Judges 6:25-32 God has Judge Gideon destroy the altar of Baal and the groves; his father defends him.
1401. Judges 6:33-35 The Midianites, Amalekites and people from the East array themselves against Israel; Gideon calls four tribes of Israel for defense.
1402. Judges 6:36-40 Gideon asks God for two fleece signs; God does both.
1403. Judges 7:1 Judge Gideon (real name Jerubbaal – named by his father –6:32) pitches his army against the Midianites.

1404. Judges 7:2-3 God says Gideon's army is too large and reduces it from 32 thousand to 10 thousand.
1405. Judges 7:4-8 God reduces Judge Gideon's army to three hundred by a water-drinking test.
1406. Judges 7:9-15 God sends Gideon to war; one of his men dreams that they have victory and Gideon is convinced of it.
1407. Judges 7:16 Gideon's men are given a trumpet, lamp, and pitcher with which to scare the enemy.
1408. Judges 7:17-20 Gideon's troops encircle the Midianites; his troops blow their trumpets, break their pitchers, hold up their lamps, and shout.
1409. Judges 7:21-22 The Midianite enemy panics, slay each other, and flee.
1410. Judges 7:23-25 Other Israeli tribes join Gideon, defeat the rest of the Midianites, and take two of their rulers' heads.
1411. Judges 8:1-3 Heads of the Tribe of Ephraim are mad at Gideon because they were not called to the battle; Judge Gideon soothes them.
1412. Judges 8:4-7 Gideon's 300 men come to Succoth and ask for food; they are refused and state that they will return and punish those who refuse.
1413. Judges 8:8-9 Peniel also refuses food to Gideon; they are threatened with destruction.
1414. Judges 8:10 Gideon pursues Midian Kings Zebah and Zalmunna who had a 15 thousand-man army; 120 thousand of their armies had already died.
1415. Judges 8:11-13 Gideon kills the remainder of the Midianites and takes two kings captive.
1416. Judges 8:14-17 Gideon returns to Succoth and Peniel where his troops were refused food and destroys their elders.

1417. Judges 8:18-20 Gideon tells his young son Jether to kill the two Midian Kings, but Jether is too young and afraid to do so.
1418. Judges 8:21 Gideon slays the two Midian kings because they had killed many Israelis.
1419. Judges 8:22-23 Gideon is asked to judge Israel; he says that God will rule by him.
1420. Judges 8:24-27 Gideon asks for the golden earrings of the Ishmaelite enemy; he makes an ephod (idol) of the gold.
1421. Judges 8:28-29 Midian is subdued: Israel rests 40 years under Gideon.
1422. Judges 8:30-31 Gideon (Jerubbaal) had 70 sons by wives and one son by a Shechem concubine.
1423. Judges 8:32-33 Judge Gideon dies; Israel turns to idol Baalim and makes Baal-berith their god.
1424. Judges 8:34-35 Israel forgets God and shows no kindness toward Gideon and his family.
1425. Judges 9:1-4 Abimelech (son of Gideon's concubine) recruits men of Shechem against Gideon's family.
1426. Judges 9:5 Abimelech kills 70 of his stepbrothers; one, Jotham hides and escapes (total number of Gideon's sons must have been 72).
1427. Judges 9:6 Shechem and House of Millo make Abimelech King of Israel (not Judge but THE FIRST KING OF ISRAEL).
1428. Judges 9:7-21 Jotham, from the top of Mt. Gerizim, makes a condemnation speech against Abimelech.
1429. Judges 9:22-23 Abimelech reigned as King of Israel for three years; Shechem turns against him.
1430. Judges 9:24-26 Gaal, son of Ebed, becomes head of Shechem against Abimelech.

1431. Judges 9:27-33 Zebul, head of the city of Shechem sends messengers to tell Abimelech of Gaal's actions.
1432. Judges 9:34-45 Abimelech fights and defeats the army of Gaal.
1433. Judges 9:46-49 The Shechem enemy, about one thousand men and women fortify themselves in the city tower; Abimelech burns them all.
1434. Judges 9:50-57 Abimelech attacks Thebez; a woman throws a millstone from its tower and it hits and breaks his skull; he orders his armor bearer to kill him; he and Shechem are cursed for Gideon.
1435. Judges 10:1-2 Tola of Issachar (SIXTH JUDGE OF ISRAEL) rules Israel for 23 years.
1436. Judges 10:3-5 Jair, a Gileadite (SEVENTH JUDGE OF ISRAEL) rules Israel for 22 years; he has 30 sons who had 30 cities and rode on 30 donkeys.
1437. Judges 10:6 Israel turns to Baalim and Ashtaroth and the gods of Syria, Zidon, Moab, Ammon, and the Philistines.
1438. Judges 10:7-9 God sells Israel into Philistine captivity for 18 years and to the Amorites east and west of the Jordan River in Gilead.
1439. Judges 10:10-14 Israel calls out to God; He says, "no, call out to your idols!"
1440. Judges 10:15-16 Israel repents and puts away their strange gods; GOD CHANGES HIS MIND and sends help.
1441. Judges 10:17-18 Ammon arrays against Israel; they look for a leader.
1442. Judges 11:1-2 Jephthah, son of a harlot (EIGHTH JUDGE OF ISRAEL), son of Gilead, is expelled from the country by his stepbrothers.

1443. Judges 11:3-11 Jephthah is in Tob; he builds an army and Israel calls him to save them and be their judge.
1444. Judges 11:12-28 Jephthah talks to the enemy about previous refusals for Israel's passage.
1445. Judges 11:29 The Spirit of the Lord comes upon Jephthah.
1446. Judges 11:30-31 Jephthah vows that if he defeats the enemy he will sacrifice what first comes from the door of his house when he returns from the victory.
1447. Judges 11:32-33 Jephthah defeats Ammon, takes their 20 cities, plains, and vineyards.
1448. Judges 11:34 Jephthah returns to his home; his only child (daughter) runs from the house to meet him.
1449. Judges 11:35-39 Jephthah tells his daughter of the vow; she asks for two months to be with her friends before she is sacrificed.
1450. Judges 11:40 Israel's daughters go to lament Jephthah's daughter for four days each year.
1451. Judges 12:1-2 Ephraimites accuse Jephthah of not including them in the war and threaten him.
1452. Judges 12:3-4 Jephthah gathers Gilead, fights Ephraim, and defeats them; he calls them fugitives.
1453. Judges 12:5 Gileadites take control of Jordan River crossings to catch Ephraim fugitives.
1454. Judges 12:6 Ephraimites can not pronounce "th" and when ordered to do so, fail, and caught at the river crossings, 42 thousand of them are executed.
1455. Judges 12:7 Judge Jephthah, a Gideadite, rules Israel for six years, dies, and is buried.

1456. Judges 12:8-10 Ibzan (NINTH JUDGE OF ISRAEL), of Bethlehem, rules Israel for seven years; he has 30 sons and takes wives from abroad.
1457. Judges 12:11-12 Elon (TENTH JUDGE OF ISRAEL), a Zebulonite, rules Israel for ten years.
1458. Judges 12:13-15 Abdon (ELEVENTH JUDGE OF ISRAEL), a Pirathonite, rules Israel for eight years; he has 40 sons and 30 nephews.
1459. Judges 13:1 Israel does evil again and is taken captive by the Philistines for 40 years.
1460. Judges 13:2-4 Samson (TWELTH JUDGE OF ISRAEL) has barren parents; his father is Manoah; an angel comes with news to his mother that she will bear a child.
1461. Judges 13:5 Samson's parents are ordered not to cut his hair; he is to be a Nazarite and deliver Israel from Philistine captivity.
1462. Judges 13:6-23 Samson's mother tells Manoah of the angel's message; the angel returns and does wonders in the fire.
1463. Judges 13:24-25 Samson is born, grows, and God's Spirit begins to move on him.
1464. Judges 14:1-4 Samson is grown; in Timnath he sees a Philistine woman he desires; Samson takes the Philistine woman for his wife. God begins to work His plan on Samson.
1465. Judges 14:5-6 Samson receives his strength, kills a lion with his bare hands at Timnath; his parents do not know of it.
1466. Judges 14:7-9 Samson returns for the Philistine woman; he sees bees on the lion and takes honey from the lion's body.
1467. Judges 14:10-13 A seven-day feast is prepared; at the feast, Samson gives a riddle and makes a bet to the young men there.

1468. Judges 14:14-15 The thirty young Philistines threaten Samson's wife and make her tell them the answer to the riddle.
1469. Judges 14:16-17 Samson's wife cries in begging for the answer to the riddle, he tells her the answer, and she tells the young Philistines.
1470. Judges 14:18 The young Philistines tell the riddle answer to Samson; he must pay them with thirty changes of garments.
1471. Judges 14:19 Samson goes to Ashkelon, kills thirty men, takes their garments, and pays his debt to the thirty young Philistines.
1472. Judges 14:20 While Samson is gone, his wife is given to his designated friend without his knowledge.
1473. Judges 15:1-3 Samson returns, finds his wife gone; her father offers Samson her younger sister for a wife.
1474. Judges 15:4-5 Samson catches three hundred foxes, ties their tails together in pairs, each pair pulling a fire with their tails, runs them into the standing grain, and burns the fields of crops.
1475. Judges 15:6-8 The Philistines burn his wife and father-in-law; for revenge, Samson slaughters many Philistines.
1476. Judges 15:9-13 The Philistines come to Judah; they deliver Samson bound to the Philistines.
1477. Judges 15:14-15 Samson breaks the cords; he takes the jawbone of a donkey and kills one thousand Philistines with it.
1478. Judges 15:16-20 Samson becomes thirsty, God makes a spring of water in the donkey's jawbone for him; he rules Israel for 20 years.
1479. Judges 16:1-3 Samson goes to Gaza, takes a harlot, and escapes with the city gates and posts.

1480. Judges 16:4 Samson meets Delilah in the Valley of Sorek and falls in love with her.
1481. Judges 16:5 The Lords of the Philistines each promise Delilah eleven hundred pieces of silver to betray Samson into their hands.
1482. Judges 16:6-9 Delilah begs to know the source of Samson's strength; he tells her that if he is tied with green withs (rope) he is powerless.
1483. Judges 16:9-12 While he sleeps, Delilah alarms him and he immediately breaks the "withs;" she is upset and he tells her that new ropes will hold him bound. He again breaks loose.
1484. Judges 16:13-14 Next Samson tells Delilah to weave his seven locks of hair into a web and on a beam; again he breaks the beam and carries the pin of the beam away.
1485. Judges 16:16-17 Delilah weeps, begs, and agonizes Samson into telling her that his strength is in his hair and if it is cut, his strength is gone.
1486. Judges 16:18-20 Delilah gets the money from the Philistines and while Samson sleeps, has his head shaved; his strength is gone.
1487. Judges 16:21 The Philistines bind Samson, put out his eyes, and use him in the prison mill to turn the millstones and grind the grain.
1488. Judges 16:22-24 The Philistine Lords gather to celebrate before their god, Dagon; they brag about taking Samson; while grinding at the mill, his hair grows out.
1489. Judges 16:25-26 The Philistines bring Samson to the celebration to entertain them; his hands are placed on the support pillars of the arena as he stands between them.

1490. Judges 16:27 Three thousand Philistines are on the arena roof watching Samson do sport for their entertainment.
1491. Judges 16:28-30 Samson calls upon God for strength, pulls the supporting pillars of the arena off their foundation, the arena crashes in, and all of the Philistines are killed; Samson is also killed.
1492. Judges 16:31 Samson's body is recovered by his family and brethren and buried with his father.
1493. Judges 17:1-6 There is no ruler or king in Israel at this time; Micah, an Israelite steals from and returns some money from his mother; they build an idol to worship.
1494. Judges 17:7-13 A Levite comes by; he is made the "Priest of the House of Micah."
1495. Judges 18:1-2 Israel's Danite Tribe are without a good inheritance, so they spy out Israel for more inheritance.
1496. Judges 18:3-31 The Danites take Micah's images (idols) and his priest; they defeat a portion of the land and name a city therein, "Dan."
1497. Judges 19:1-9 A Levite takes a concubine; she becomes a harlot and returns to her father's home; the Levite comes to retrieve her but stays several days eating and drinking; he finally leaves with her.
1498. Judges 19:10-21 The Levite travels to Gibeah and is taken in by a farmer there.
1499. Judges 19:22-23 While visiting there, Homosexual sons of Belial demand to have sex with the Levite; they are in the land of Benjamin.
1500. Judges 19:24-28 The farmer gives his daughter, the Levite's concubine, to the Homosexuals to appease them; they abuse her all night.

1501. Judges 19:29-30 The next morning the concubine is dead or near death; the Levite cuts her in pieces and sends the pieces all over Israel.
1502. Judges 20:1-12 Israel is incensed at the Benjamin Tribe because the act is an abomination to them; they attack Gibeah with an army of four hundred thousand.
1503. Judges 20:13-15 Benjamin refuses to allow Israel to kill the homosexuals and raise a twenty-six thousand-man army against Israel.
1504. Judges 20:16 The Benjamin army had 700 left handed sharpshooters with slings.
1505. Judges 20:17-35 Israel and Benjamin war, twenty-five thousand Benjamites are killed, and they are defeated.
1506. Judges 20:36-44 In the Israeli attack on Gibeah, eighteen thousand more of Benjamin are killed and the city burned.
1507. Judges 20:45-48 Israel burns all of Benjamin's cities.
1508. Judges 21:1-3 The Benjamite Tribe is cast out of Israel and no wives from Israel can be given to them.
1509. Judges 21:4-11 Israel learns that Jabesh-gilead of Israel had not joined the fight against Benjamin; they slay everyone there except 400 virgins.
1510. Judges 21:12-18 Virgins of Jabesh-gilead are given to the Benjamites.
1511. Judges 21:19-25 Benjamite men without wives are allowed to "steal" a wife at a Shiloh festival. There is no king or ruler over Israel at this time; every man must look out for himself.