

The WHOLE Story

STUDY GUIDE WEEK 21

May 21

JOSHUA 22-24, PSALM 141

1. In Joshua 22, what misunderstanding arises between the tribes on the west side of the Jordan River and the tribes on the east side?

2. How is the misunderstanding between the tribes in Joshua 22 resolved?

3. In Joshua 23, what warning does Joshua give the Israelites before his death?

4. In Joshua 24, where does Joshua renew the covenant between the Israelites and the Lord?

Discussion Question: How do the events in Joshua 22-24 emphasize the importance of unity, faithfulness, and commitment to God's covenant in maintaining a strong and prosperous nation?



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May 22

JUDGES 1-3, PSALM 142

1. In Judges 1, which tribe is unable to drive out the Canaanites from their allotted territory?

2. In Judges 2, who appears to the Israelites and rebukes them for not fully obeying God's command to drive out the inhabitants of Canaan?

3. Who is the first judge raised up by God to deliver the Israelites in Judges 3?

4. In Ch 3, who is the second judge of Israel that delivers them from the Moabites?

Discussion Question: How do the early chapters of Judges (1-3) illustrate the cycle of disobedience, oppression, repentance, and deliverance that characterizes the Israelites' relationship with God during this period?

May 23

JUDGES 4-6, PSALM 143

1. In Judges 4, who is the prophetess and judge that leads the Israelites against the Canaanite king Jabin?

2. Who is the Canaanite general defeated by the Israelites in Ch. 4, and how is he killed?

3. In Judges 6, who is called by God to deliver the Israelites from the Midianites?

4. What sign does Gideon ask for from the Lord in Judges 6 to confirm that he will deliver the Israelites?

Discussion Question: How do the stories of Deborah and Gideon in Judges 4-6 highlight the diversity of leaders God uses to deliver the Israelites and the importance of trusting in God's guidance and strength?

May 24

JUDGES 7-9, PSALM 144

1. In Judges 7, how does God reduce the size of Gideon's army before the battle against the Midianites?

2. What unusual tactic do Gideon and his 300 men use to confuse and defeat the Midianite army in Judges 7?

3. In Judges 8, which city refuses to provide food to Gideon's pursuing army, leading to its eventual destruction?

4. In Ch 9 who becomes the ruler of Shechem and eventually turns against the city?

Discussion Question: How do the stories in Judges 7-9 demonstrate the importance of relying on God's wisdom and strength in overcoming challenges and the consequences of seeking personal power and ambition?

May 25

JUDGES 10-12, PSALM 145

1. In Judges 10, who is the judge that rules Israel for 23 years after the death of Abimelech?

2. Which tribe oppresses the Israelites in Judges 10, leading them to repent and cry out to God for help?

3. In Judges 11, who is the son of a prostitute chosen by the Gileadites to lead them against the Ammonites?

4. What tragic vow does Jephthah make in Judges 11, and what is the outcome?

Discussion: How do the events in Judges 10-12 illustrate the importance of genuine repentance and the consequences of making rash vows or promises to God?

May 26

JUDGES 13-15, PSALM 146

1. In Judges 13, what is the name of the angel who announces the birth of Samson to his parents?

2. What Nazirite vow is placed upon Samson from birth in Judges 13?

3. In Judges 14, how does Samson kill a lion with his bare hands?

4. In Judges 15, with what unusual weapon does Samson kill 1,000 Philistines?

Discussion Question: What do the stories of Samson in Judges 13-15 reveal about the role of divine strength and the consequences of personal weakness in the life of a judge and leader?

May 27

JUDGES 16-18, PSALM 147

1. In Judges 16, who is the Philistine woman that Samson falls in love with and ultimately betrays him?

2. How do the Philistines capture Samson in Judges 16?

3. In Judges 16, how does Samson bring about his own death and the deaths of many Philistines?

4. In Judges 17, what does Micah do with the silver that his mother had dedicated to the Lord?

Discussion Question: How do the final chapters of Samson's story in Judges 16 and the events in Judges 17-18 reflect the moral decline of the Israelites and the dangers of turning away from God's commandments?

SO REMEMBER...

JOSHUA + TORAH!

OBEY THE COMMANDS

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PROMISED LAND

AS FOR CANANITE

JUDGES

ISRAEL'S TOTAL FAILURE



THE EMPLOYMENT OF GOD'S SPIRIT

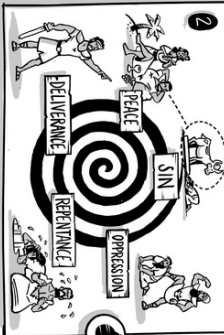
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CANANITES



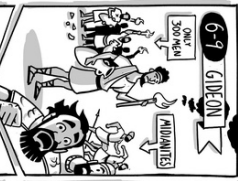
ISRAEL FAILS TO DRIVE OUT THE CANANITES

PRETTY GOOD

OKAY

BAD

WORSE



CORRUPTION OF ISRAEL'S JUDGES



"IN THOSE DAYS ISRAEL HAD NO KING AND EVERYONE DID WHAT WAS RIGHT IN THEIR OWN EYES."

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CORRUPTION OF THE PEOPLE OF ISRAEL

The Answers

MAY 21

1. The tribes on the east side build an altar by the Jordan River, leading the tribes on the west side to believe they are turning away from the Lord.
2. The eastern tribes explain that the altar is a witness to their commitment to the Lord, and both sides accept this explanation and maintain unity.
3. He warns them to remain faithful to the Lord and not to intermarry with the remaining Canaanite inhabitants, as this could lead them astray.
4. At Shechem.

MAY 22

1. The tribe of Benjamin.
2. The angel of the Lord.
3. Othniel.
4. Ehud.

MAY 23

1. Deborah.
2. Sisera, killed by Jael who drives a tent peg through his temple.
3. Gideon.
4. The fleece test, where the fleece is wet with dew but the ground is dry, and then the ground is wet with dew but the fleece is dry.

MAY 24

1. First, by sending home those who are afraid, and then by selecting only those who lap water like a dog from the remaining soldiers.
2. They use trumpets, torches, and clay jars to create confusion, making the Midianite soldiers turn on each other in panic.
3. The city of Succoth.
4. Abimelech, the son of Gideon and a Shechemite woman.

The Answers

MAY 25

1. Tola.
2. The Ammonites.
3. Jephthah.
4. Jephthah vows to sacrifice whatever comes out of his house to greet him if he defeats the Ammonites. His daughter is the first to greet him, and she is sacrificed as a result.

MAY 26

1. The angel's name is not given, but he is referred to as the "angel of the Lord."
2. He is not to drink wine or any fermented drink, touch anything unclean, or cut his hair.
3. The Spirit of the Lord comes upon him, giving him strength.
4. The jawbone of a donkey.

MAY 27

1. Delilah.
2. Delilah discovers the secret of Samson's strength (his hair) and has it cut while he is asleep, allowing the Philistines to capture him after his strength leaves him.
3. His hair begins to grow back while he is imprisoned, and he prays for strength one last time. Then, he pushes apart the two central pillars of the Philistine temple, causing it to collapse and kill everyone inside, including himself.
4. He makes a carved image and a cast idol, which he sets up in his house.

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