

Judges Series

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The Faithlessness of the People
Judges 2:6–11



JUDGES

**Moral Relativism
Destroys a Nation**

2021 Series

Outline of “Judges” (Chieftains, Tribal Rulers, Leaders)

1:1–3:6

Introduction

How Israel went from
spiritual victory
to being worse than
the Canaanites.

**Incomplete
obedience**

Compromise

Failure

Cycles of discipline

3:7–16:31

Paganization of the Leadership

Othniel (the best)

Ehud

Shamgar

Deborah

Gideon

Tola, Jair

Jephthah

Ibzan, Elon, Abdon

Samson

(the worst)

17:1–21:25

Paganization of the Priests

Chap. 17–18

**and the
People**

Chap. 19–21

Judg. 2:1, “Then the **Angel of the LORD** came up from Gilgal to Bochim, and said: ‘I led you up from Egypt and brought you to the land of which I swore to your fathers; and I said, “I will never break My covenant with you.” ’ ’ ”

mala'k Yhwh

מַלְאֲכֵי יְהוָה

angel of the
Lord

Why Gilgal?

Josh. 4:19, “Now the people came up from the Jordan on the tenth of the first month and camped at Gilgal on the eastern edge of Jericho.

Josh. 4:20, “And those twelve stones which they had taken from the Jordan, Joshua set up at Gilgal.”

Josh. 5:8, “So it was, when they had finished circumcising all the people, that they stayed in their places in the camp till they were healed.

Josh. 5:9, “Then the LORD said to Joshua, ‘This day I have rolled away the reproach of Egypt from you.’ Therefore the name of the place is called Gilgal to this day.”

Judg. 2:1, “And he said, ‘I brought you up out of Egypt and led you into the land which I have sworn to your fathers; and I said, I will never break My covenant with you,”

Judg. 2:2, “and as for you, you shall make no covenant with the inhabitants of this land; you shall tear down their altars. But you have not obeyed Me; what is this you have done?”

But you have not obeyed my voice!

Judg. 2:3, “Therefore I also said, ‘I will not drive them out before you; but they shall be thorns in your side, and their gods shall be a snare to you.’ ”



Judg. 2:4, “So it was, when the Angel of the LORD spoke these words to all the children of Israel, that the people lifted up their voices and wept.”

**What the Bible Teaches
About**

God's Faithfulness



1. God was faithful to His promise to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob. He rescued them from Egypt, brought them into the land, and gave them victory.

Lam. 3:20, “My soul still remembers and sinks within me.

Lam. 3:21, “This I recall to my mind, Therefore I have hope.

Lam. 3:22, “Through the LORD’S mercies we are not consumed, Because His compassions fail not.

Lam. 3:23, “They are new every morning; Great is Your faithfulness.

Lam. 3:24, “ ‘The LORD is my portion,’ says my soul, ‘Therefore I hope in Him!’

Lam. 3:25, “The LORD is good to those who wait for Him, To the soul who seeks Him.”

The End of the Great Generation (2:6–10)

A faithful generation (2:6–7)

The great leader passes away (2:8–9)

A new generation emerges (2:10)

A Monotonous Downward Cycle (2:11–3:4)

Israel chases other gods (2:11–13)

The Lord carries out a threat (2:14–15)

Israel spurns the Lord's mercy (2:16–19)

The nations stay (2:20–3:4)

A Sad Summary (3:5–6)

Settling down with the enemy (3:5–6a)

Worshiping the enemy's gods (3:6b)

Judg. 3:5, “Thus the children of Israel dwelt among the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites.

Judg. 3:6, “And they took their daughters to be their wives, and gave their daughters to their sons; and they served their gods.”

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Psa. 9:8, “He shall judge the world in righteousness, and He shall administer judgment for the peoples in uprightness.”

Psa. 11:7, “For the LORD is righteous, He loves righteousness; His countenance beholds the upright.”

Psa. 33:5, “He loves righteousness and justice; The earth is full of the goodness [*chesed*] of the LORD.”

Psa. 89:14, “Righteousness and justice are the foundation of Your throne; Mercy [*chesed*] and truth go before Your face.”

Heb. 12:5, “And you have forgotten the exhortation which speaks to you as to sons: ‘My son, do not despise the chastening of the LORD, nor be discouraged when you are rebuked by Him; [Prov. 3:11–12]

Heb. 12:6, “ ‘For whom the LORD loves He chastens, and scourges every son whom He receives.’

Heb. 12:7, “If you endure chastening, God deals with you as with sons; for what son is there whom a father does not chasten?”

Heb. 12:8, “But if you are without chastening, of which all have become partakers, then you are illegitimate and not sons.”

Gen. 15:13, “Then He said to Abram: ‘Know certainly that your descendants will be strangers in a land that is not theirs, and will serve them, and they will afflict them four hundred years.’”

Gen. 15:16, “But in the fourth generation they shall return here, for the iniquity of the Amorites is not yet complete.”

Jdg. 2:6, “And when Joshua had dismissed the people, the children of Israel went each to his own inheritance to possess the land.

Jdg. 2:7, “So the people served the Lord all the days of Joshua, and all the days of the elders who outlived Joshua, who had seen all the great works of the Lord which He had done for Israel.

Jdg. 2:8, “Now Joshua the son of Nun, the servant of the Lord, died when he was one hundred and ten years old.

Jdg. 2:9, “And they buried him within the border of his inheritance at Timnath Heres, in the mountains of Ephraim, on the north side of Mount Gaash.”