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24 Lessons: Judges to Jesus

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Hello! ABOUT THE AUTHOR



Hello! My name is Lindsey Carroll, and I am the creator of Driven By Grace®. I am married to my best friend, Brendon, and we have been blessed with three beautiful children together — Easton, Aubrie, and Camden. Before you start this guide, I'd love to share a little about my testimony and our family to help you understand my background and how I began writing Bible study resources.

I believe God put this desire on my heart to teach others about Him through my Bible study creations. I am a believer in Christ, seeking to know the Lord, His Word, and sharing what I learn with others. I am merely trying to obey the ideas God has put on my heart and trust that He has a plan and purpose for it all.

In October 2019, I left my 7-year marketing career to become a stay-at-home mom. I loved my job, but I had a nudge on my heart that I needed to stay home with my kids. After pushing that voice aside for an entire year, I finally decided to obey the Lord. Coming home was the best decision I made for my family.

That first step of obedience led me to start homeschooling my kids, which then led to the creation of Driven By Grace®. The Lord graciously guided my family on a path that was better than any story we could have written for ourselves. We joined Classical Conversations in our first year of homeschooling. At the time of writing this guide (2023), we will be starting our fourth year with Classical Conversations.

I decided to create this Bible study to help my kids and other families understand the context of the Bible memory work with Classical Conversations. I hope this study helps parents feel confident in teaching their kids the Bible. I'm passionate about raising a generation that knows the Truth by studying the Bible for themselves. I pray this guide helps build a solid biblical foundation for you and your kids. Teaching our kids the Bible is the most important investment we can make as parents, and I'm grateful to be able to offer a resource to help with that calling.

Core Beliefs: STATEMENT OF FAITH

It's important for you to know what I believe as a Bible study creator. I urge you to always measure everything to scripture. I take God's Word very seriously and view it as the ultimate source of truth and authority. I believe the Bible to be 100% true in all areas and do my absolute best to make sure my studies are scripturally sound and biblically accurate.

Bible

- I believe the Bible is the inspired and authoritative Word of God. *2 Timothy 3:16-17*
- I believe that God used human authors under the direction of the Holy Spirit to write exactly what He wanted without error or contradiction. *2 Peter 1:20-21*
- I believe the Bible consists of 66 books total between the Old and New Testaments.

God

- I believe in one God who is the Creator of all things and has always existed. *Genesis 1:1; Deuteronomy 6:4; Colossians 1:16*
- I believe in the Trinity, that God is three distinct persons and all are equally God: God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit. *2 Corinthians 13:14; 1 Timothy 2:5; John 1:1-3; John 15:26*
- I believe God is omniscient, omnipresent, omnipotent, sovereign, infinite, eternal, unchanging, holy, just, righteous, loving, good, and true.

Jesus

- I believe Jesus Christ is the Messiah, God incarnate, Savior of the world, the Son of God who was born of a virgin by the Holy Spirit, lived a sinless life, died on a cross, and was raised from the dead on the third day. *Colossians 1:15; John 1:14; Matthew 1:23; 1 John 3:5; Matthew 28:6*
- I believe Jesus has always existed from the beginning with God. *John 1:1-3*
- I believe Jesus will return again to righteously judge the world at His Second Coming. *Mark 14:24-27; Revelation 19:11-16*

Holy Spirit

- I believe the Holy Spirit indwells every believer in Jesus Christ, and that He is an abiding helper, teacher, and guide. *Titus 3:5; John 14:26; John 16:7*
- I believe the Holy Spirit provides spiritual gifting to each believer for the benefit of the body of Christ. *1 Corinthians 12*

Salvation

- I believe salvation only occurs through faith in Jesus Christ. *John 14:6*
- I believe salvation is only received through faith and not good works. *Ephesians 2:8-9*
- I believe all believers who have genuinely received Christ as their Savior are sealed with the Holy Spirit and are eternally secure in Christ. *Romans 8:38-39; Ephesians 1:13-14*

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Intro: A NOTE TO THE PARENTS

Thank you so much for purchasing this study! I'm grateful you see the value and importance of teaching your kids the foundations of the Bible.

What is this study?

This study is a complementary guide to the Classical Conversations Cycle 2 Bible memory work. This guide expands on the 24 memory sentences by explaining the meaning, context, and background. If you aren't in Classical Conversations, that's not a problem! You will still find this resource to be a helpful tool to teach your kids the core concepts of the Bible.

How to use this study?

Each lesson should be taught over one week. I've provided Bible reading that you and your kids should read in the context of the week's lesson. If you purchased the activity book that pairs with this guide, then your kids can complete the activity sheets to review the memory work. After you read from the teacher guide, there are questions at the end to help with comprehension and discussion.

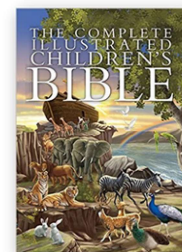
Additional Learning:

I've provided an additional learning section with video and reading suggestions to share with your kids. I have noted which videos are more suitable for older ages due to content and images. I've combined all the video recommendations into a single YouTube playlist for easy access as you work through the study. Scan this QR code to access the videos. I've also hyperlinked each video individually on each lesson overview page so that you can click within the digital file.

YOUTUBE PLAYLIST



I've also included the related pages for an additional read-aloud from *The Complete Illustrated Children's Bible*. This is the most comprehensive storybook Bible I have found, and I think it's a great resource for lighter reading of the lessons for younger kids.



Lesson Plans:

Each lesson has an optional lesson plan to show you how to divide the lesson over a 4-day school week. Think of the lesson plan as a menu that you can pick and choose how much you want to incorporate.

Overall, I hope this guide is a valuable tool for your entire family. Whether you are in Classical Conversations or not, I hope it helps you feel equipped and confident to teach your kids the Bible. God has given us the greatest responsibility of teaching our children to walk in His ways, and the best way to do that is through the daily teaching of His Word.

Complete Book List

Below is a list of additional books that you can check out from the library or purchase for additional read-alouds related to the lessons. You certainly do not need all of these books, but I wanted to share my favorites that you may already have in your home library. I've linked all these books in an Amazon list to help your search.



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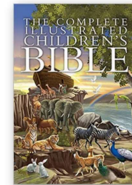
KID'S BIBLES & BIBLE STORYBOOK:



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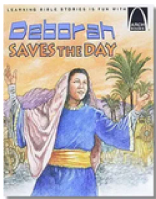
NIV, Adventure Bible for Early Readers



The Complete Illustrated Children's Bible by Janice Emerson

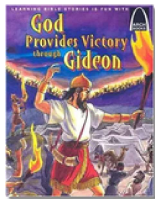
PICTURE BOOKS:

Lesson 1



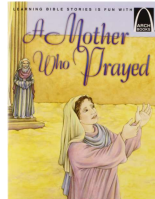
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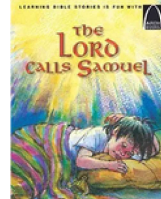
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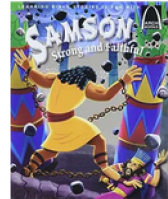
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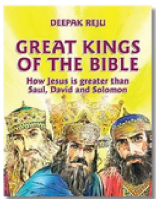
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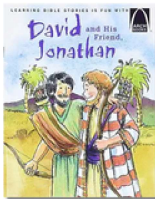
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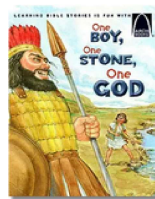
Great Kings of the Bible by Deepak Reju

Lesson 4



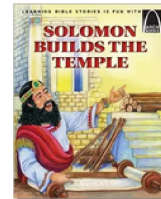
David and His Friend Jonathan by Arch Books

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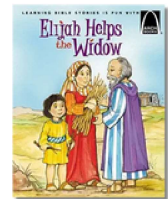
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Lesson 6



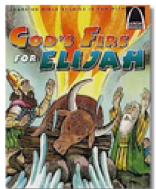
Solomon Builds the Temple by Arch Books

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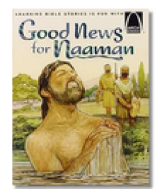
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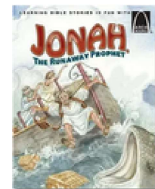
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The Hard to Swallow Tale of Jonah and the Whale by Joyce Denham

Lesson 10, 11, 12



God's Daring Dozen Box 1 by Brian J. Wright & John Robert Brown

Overview: 24 MEMORY SENTENCES

1 What are the names of eight significant judges of Israel?

1. Othniel 2. Ehud 3. Deborah 4. Gideon

2 What are the names of eight significant judges of Israel?

5. Jephthah 6. Samson 7. Eli 8. Samuel

3 Who are the three kings of united Israel?

1. Saul 2. David 3. Solomon

4 Who was David?

Warrior, hero, musician, poet, king; fell greatly in sin, yet rose again to love and serve God

5 What is God's covenant with David?

That the Messiah would come from the family of David; The tribe of Judah would establish an unending kingdom

6 Who oversaw the building of the first Jewish temple?

King Solomon

7 What was the consequence of King Solomon's building worship temples to false gods for his pagan wives to worship?

Israel divided into two kingdoms

8 Who was the first king of Israel, the northern kingdom?

Jeroboam I

9 Who was the first king of Judah, the southern kingdom?

Rehoboam, son of Solomon

10 Who are eighteen significant prophets of Israel?

1. Elijah 2. Elisha 3. Obadiah 4. Joel 5. Jonah 6. Amos

11 Who are eighteen significant prophets of Israel?

7. Hosea 8. Isaiah 9. Micah 10. Jeremiah 11. Zephaniah 12. Habakkuk

12 Who are eighteen significant prophets of Israel?

13. Nahum 14. Ezekiel 15. Daniel 16. Haggai 17. Malachi 18. Zechariah

13 What two nations took the Jewish people into captivity?

Assyria (722 BC); Babylon (586 BC)

14 Who prophesies in the Old Testament about the New Covenant that God fulfills through Jesus?

Jeremiah

15 What caused the destruction of the first Jewish temple in 586 BC?

Babylonian invasion under King Nebuchadnezzar

16 What caused the destruction of the second Jewish temple in 70 AD?

Roman soldiers during the first Jewish revolt

17 Prophecies found in the Old Testament pertain to:

Israel and other nations, The Messiah, End Times

18 What are the five main types of psalms?

Hymns of praise, Songs of thanksgiving, Royal psalms, Wisdom psalms, Laments

19 What book of the Old Testament contains a collection of wise instruction for living a godly life?

Proverbs

20 What are three of the many Hebrew names of God?

1. YHWH (Yahweh), "I am" 2. Adonai, "The Lord" 3. Elohim, "The all-powerful God"

21 What are the original languages of the Old Testament?

Hebrew and Aramaic

22 Who was emperor of Rome when Jesus was born?

Caesar Augustus

23 What age was Jesus when He started teaching alongside the Jewish leaders in the temple?

12 years old

24 How many Old Testament prophecies did Jesus fulfill?

Over 100!

LESSON PLANS



LESSON 1		DAY 1	DAY 2	DAY 3	DAY 4
MEMORY SENTENCE		Practice memory sentence every day for review <i>Suggested Tune: The Addams Family</i>			
BIBLE	MAIN PASSAGE	Overview: Deuteronomy 28 Judges 1:1-3:6	Othniel: Judges 3:7-11 Ehud: Judges 3:12-30	Deborah: Judges 4:1-5:31	Gideon: Judges 6:1-8:35
TEACHER'S GUIDE		pg. 14	pg. 15	pg. 16	pgs. 16-18
ACTIVITY BOOK		Coloring Page	Activity Page for Review	Activity Page for Review	Narration Journal / Writing Prompt
RELATED VIDEOS		Overview: Judges by BibleProject	Book of Judges by RivChurch		
SUPERBOOK		S2: E10			
RELATED BOOKS				TCICB: pg. 140	TCICB: pgs. 142-144
		<i>Deborah Saves the Day</i> by Arch Books <i>God Provides Victory Through Gideon</i> by Arch Books			

Overview:

JUDGES OF ISRAEL (PART 1)

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LESSON 1



MEMORY SENTENCE

What are the names of eight significant judges of Israel?

1. Othniel
2. Ehud
3. Deborah
4. Gideon



BIBLE READING

- The promise of blessings & curses for Israel – Deuteronomy 28
- Overview – Judges 1:1-3:6
- Othniel – Judges 3:7-11
- Ehud – Judges 3:12-30
- Deborah – Judges 4:1-5:31
- Gideon – Judges 6:1-8:35



ADDITIONAL LEARNING

Videos:

- [Superbook: Gideon - Season 2 / Episode 10](#)
- [Overview: Judges](#) by BibleProject (7 min)
- [The Book of Judges](#) by RivChurch (2 min)

Books:

- *The Complete Illustrated Children's Bible (TCICB)*
- *Deborah Saves the Day* by Arch Books
- *God Provides Victory Through Gideon* by Arch Books



Lesson 1: JUDGES OF ISRAEL (PART 1)

OVERVIEW

After Moses led the Israelites out of slavery from the land of Egypt, they wandered in the desert for 40 years. Before they were about to enter the promised land of Canaan, Moses died and appointed a new leader named Joshua. Joshua led the Israelites into the Promised Land and helped them conquer city after city. After Joshua died, the Israelites needed a new leader. This is where the book of Judges begins.

The book of Judges is the 7th book in the Old Testament. This book tells us about the deliverers (judges) God appointed to rescue Israel from their enemies. Kings did not exist over Israel yet because God was the King leading the nation. The judges of Israel were military leaders and handled the judicial matters among the people. The judges were local leaders and not rulers over the entire nation. Israel was comprised of twelve individual tribes that made up the whole nation. Jacob, who was renamed Israel by God in Genesis, had twelve sons. The twelve tribes in Israel were named after Jacob's sons and two grandsons: Reuben, Simeon, Judah, Dan, Naphtali, Gad, Asher, Issachar, Zebulun, Benjamin, Ephraim, and Manasseh. Levi was also Jacob's son, but he was not given any portion of land because his descendants were commanded to be priests and live among the other tribes.

God commanded the Israelites only to worship Him. The lands they were conquering were filled with people who worshiped idols and false gods like Baal. The Israelites were sinful by adopting the practices of those people and worshiping Baal and not Yahweh. Their disobedience resulted in curses from God. Deuteronomy 28 told the Israelites all the blessings they would receive if they obeyed God's commands and followed His ways; however, it also told them all the curses they would receive if they disobeyed God's commands.

Throughout the book of Judges, we see a repeated cycle of sinful behavior among the Israelites. 1.) Israel did evil in the sight of the Lord by worshiping Baal. 2.) God became angry and allowed their enemies to oppress them. 3.) Israel would cry out to God for help. 4.) God would raise a judge to deliver them from their enemies. 5.) Once freed, the Israelites obeyed God as long as the judge lived. As soon as the judge died, they went back to their sinful ways and worshiped Baal again.

This cycle of sin and deliverance is repeated twelve times throughout the book of Judges. Each time, God raised a new judge from a specific tribe to free the Israelites. Judges had no successor like a king. Once they died, their reign ended until God chose another judge. Let's take a look at the first four prominent judges of Israel.

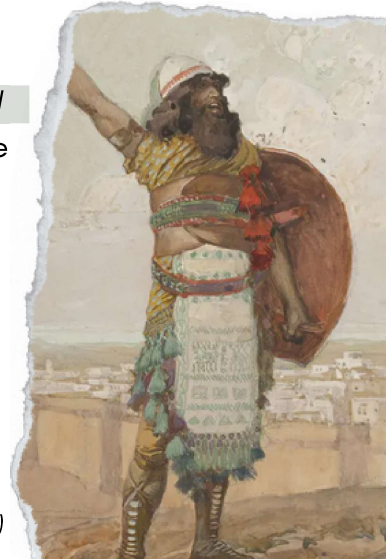


Lesson 1: JUDGES OF ISRAEL (PART 1)

1 OTHNIEL

Hebrew Pronunciation: (oth-nee-ale') | Name Meaning: Lion of God

Othniel was the first judge in Israel who was selected from the tribe of Judah. Israel forgot about the Lord and worshiped Baal and the Asheroth. Because they were disobedient, God allowed their enemy Cushan-rishathaim, king of Mesopotamia, to enslave the Israelites. Israel served this king for eight years. When they cried out to God for help, God raised up Othniel, who delivered the Israelites from the king of Mesopotamia. The Israelites were freed and obeyed the Lord for 40 years.



*Othniel by
J.J.J. Tissot (1896-1902)*

2 EHUD

Hebrew Pronunciation: (ay-hood') | Name Meaning: Give Thanks or Praise

Ehud was the second judge in Israel who was selected from the tribe of Benjamin. After Othniel died, the Israelites went back to their sinful ways, turned from God, and worshiped Baal again. God allowed the king of Moab, named Eglon, to defeat Israel. The Israelites served the king of Moab for 18 years. The Israelites cried out to God for help, and the Lord raised up Ehud.



Ehud Killed Eglon by J.J.J. Tissot (1896-1902)

The Bible shares an interesting fact about Ehud. It tells us that he was a left-handed man. This unique fact was going to allow Ehud to conquer the king of Moab. Most people were right-handed and would store their swords on their left thigh. Because Ehud was left-handed, he could conceal his weapon on his right thigh and not be caught with a weapon while entering the king's chamber.

When Ehud got a moment alone with the king of Moab, he drew his sword from his right thigh and stabbed the king in the stomach. The story of Ehud's defeat of the Moabite king is very detailed. We are told that the king was so overweight that his fat covered the entire sword.

Ehud was able to escape without being caught by locking the king's chamber doors. When the servants saw the locked doors, they thought the king was using the bathroom, so they didn't check on him. Ehud and the Israelites defeated 10,000 Moabites and were freed from their bondage after eighteen years. They were obedient to the Lord for 80 years.

Lesson 1: JUDGES OF ISRAEL (PART 1)

3 DEBORAH

Hebrew Pronunciation: (deb-o-row') | *Name Meaning: Bee*

Deborah was the fourth judge in Israel who was raised from the tribe of Ephraim. She was the only female judge for Israel. Deborah was a prophetess and judged Israel in their judicial matters before being called by the Lord to help advise as a military leader.

When Ehud had died, the Israelites turned back to their pagan ways and disobeyed God. Because of their disobedience and worship of false gods, God allowed the king of Canaan, Jabin, to conquer them and oppress them for 20 years.



Deborah by J.J.J. Tissot (1896-1902)

Deborah called for a man named Barak to rise up as a military leader. She commanded Barak to take 10,000 men from the tribes of Naphtali and Zebulun to defeat Sisera, King Jabin's army leader. Barak required Deborah to go with him to the battle because he trusted her wisdom and guidance from the Lord. Since he would only go if Deborah came with him, she prophesied that the army leader, Sisera, would die from a woman's hand and not from Barak. This meant Barak would not be the one to receive praise and honor for killing the Canaanite military leader; it would be a woman.

When Barak and his 10,000 men went to battle, they defeated Sisera's entire army; however, Sisera fled and hid. He went to a tent that belonged to a woman named Jael. She tricked him and told him to hide in her tent. She pretended to be kind by offering him milk and covering him with a rug. However, she was deceiving him so she could kill him in her tent with a tent peg. Sisera ended up dying by the hand of Jael, a woman's hand like Deborah prophesied. After defeating the Canaanites, Israel lived in peace for 40 years.

4 GIDEON

Hebrew Pronunciation: (ghid-ohn) | *Name Meaning: Great Warrior*

Gideon was the fifth judge in Israel who was raised from the tribe of Manasseh. The Midianites were severely oppressing the Israelites at this time. The Midianites were devouring all the produce that the Israelites grew. Israel would do all the labor and hard work to plant their crops, and when it was time to harvest, the Midianites would come and take everything, leaving no food for Israel.

When God called Gideon to rise as a judge, He gave him a test of obedience and two signs for confirmation that he was the chosen deliverer for Israel. Let's take a look at those signs.



Gideon by J.J.J. Tissot (1896-1902)

Lesson 1: JUDGES OF ISRAEL (PART 1)

1. Tear down the altar of Baal:

The first test of obedience was for Gideon to tear down the altars and idols of the false gods that Israel worshiped. He had to replace them with an altar for the Lord. Gideon was obedient and tore down the altars in the middle of the night. He knew the Israelites would get angry and want to kill him, so Gideon did this secretly while everyone was sleeping.



*Gideon ringing out the fleece by
Christian Image Source*

3. Battle with 300 men:

The Lord helped Israel defeat the Midianite army with only 300 men. The Israelite army started with 32,000 men, but God did not want that many men to fight, or else they would boast about their own power. Therefore, through a series of tests, the Lord reduced their army from 32,000 men to 300. Those 300 men victoriously defeated the Midianite army of 15,000 men because the Lord was on their side.

After the Israelites defeated the Midianites, they tried to make Gideon their king. Gideon refused but instead asked for a gold earring from everyone. All the gold gathered weighed over 43 pounds. Gideon turned the gold into an ephod — an imitation of the high priest's garment — and placed it in Ophrah (his hometown). This was a sinful act that led the Israelites into idolatry by worshiping the ephod. Gideon judged Israel for 40 years.



*Gideon and his men destroying the altar of
Baal by Maerten van Heemskerck (1561)*

2. Sign of the fleece:

Gideon wanted confirmation that he was supposed to deliver the Israelites from the Midianites, so he asked God for two signs. First, he laid a wool fleece on the floor and asked God to make the ground around the wool wet and keep the fleece dry. God did this sign. The next day, Gideon wanted another sign and asked God to make the fleece wet and the ground dry, so God also did this sign.

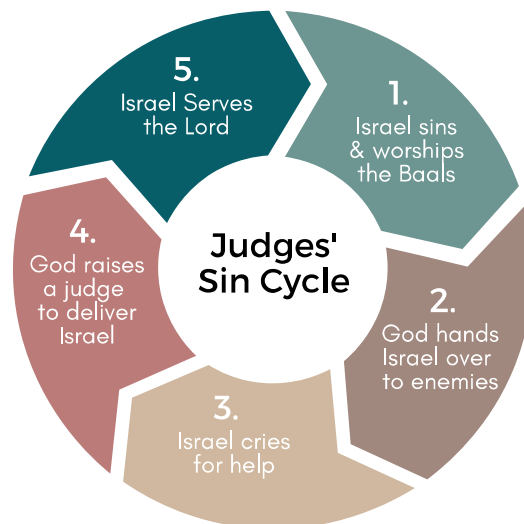


*Gideon Chooses the Three Hundred
by J.J.J. Tissot (1896-1902)*

Lesson 1: JUDGES OF ISRAEL (PART 1)

REVIEW QUESTIONS:

1. Who was the very first judge of Israel? *Othniel*
2. Which judge was left-handed? *Ehud*
3. Who was the only female judge over Israel? *Deborah*
4. Which judge destroyed the altars of Baal? *Gideon*
5. What is the repeated cycle of sin in the book of Judges?
Reference the image for the Judge's sin cycle.



APPLICATION QUESTIONS:

1. The book of Judges reminds us that God is a jealous God and will not tolerate His people worshipping false gods. God is also patient with His people, even when they commit the same sins repeatedly.

Apply: *When have you experienced God's patience as you sin and mess up? Is there something in your life receiving your love and attention more than God? Because God is patient with us when we sin, how should we treat others who sin against us?*

2. From a worldly perspective, the odds were against Gideon and his army when they fought the Midianites. However, their enemies underestimated whom Israel had on their side – the Lord, the greatest weapon of all. Israel could do the impossible because the Lord would help them.

Apply: *When you are facing something difficult, do you lean on God's strength to carry you through or on your own? Why is it better to rely on God instead of your own strength? How is God glorified when we allow Him to work through our weaknesses and shortcomings?*

PRAYER PROMPTS:

1. Pray to remain faithful to God when the world around you is sinful and idolatrous (Romans 12:2)
2. Praise God for being a righteous judge (Psalm 7:17)
3. Ask God to reveal the sin in your life that needs to be corrected (Psalm 51:2; Job 13:23)

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Hello! ABOUT THE AUTHOR



Hello! My name is Lindsey Carroll, and I am the creator of Driven By Grace®. I am married to my best friend, Brendon, and we have been blessed with three beautiful children together — Easton, Aubrie, and Camden. Before you start this guide, I'd love to share a little about my testimony and our family to help you understand my background and how I began writing Bible study resources.

I believe God put this desire on my heart to teach others about Him through my Bible study creations. I am a believer in Christ, seeking to know the Lord, His Word, and sharing what I learn with others. I am merely trying to obey the ideas God has put on my heart and trust that He has a plan and purpose for it all.

In October 2019, I left my 7-year marketing career to become a stay-at-home mom. I loved my job, but I had a nudge on my heart that I needed to stay home with my kids. After pushing that voice aside for an entire year, I finally decided to obey the Lord. Coming home was the best decision I made for my family.

That first step of obedience led me to start homeschooling my kids, which then led to the creation of Driven By Grace®. The Lord graciously guided my family on a path that was better than any story we could have written for ourselves. We joined Classical Conversations in our first year of homeschooling. At the time of writing this guide (2023), we will be starting our fourth year with Classical Conversations.

I decided to create this Bible study to help my kids and other families understand the context of the Bible memory work with Classical Conversations. I hope this study helps parents feel confident in teaching their kids the Bible. I'm passionate about raising a generation that knows the Truth by studying the Bible for themselves. I pray this guide helps build a solid biblical foundation for you and your kids. Teaching our kids the Bible is the most important investment we can make as parents, and I'm grateful to be able to offer a resource to help with that calling.

Intro: A NOTE TO THE PARENTS

WHAT IS THE ACTIVITY BOOK?

This activity book is a complementary guide to my *Foundations of the Bible: Volume 2 Teacher's Guide*. The activity book includes 8 worksheets for each lesson to help students review the memory work with activities like:

- Memory Page
- Tracing
- Coloring
- Crossword Puzzle
- Word Search
- Double Word Puzzle
- Narration Journal
- Writing Prompt Journal

HOW TO USE THIS ACTIVITY BOOK:

Foundations: ages 4-8

For this age group, focus on memorizing the short Bible memory sentences. The goal for this age is to simply introduce the information. Treat the teacher guide like a read-aloud and let them color the activity sheets while they listen. The narration journal is a great tool for kids to draw a picture of what they learned. Depending on their age, the child or parent can write down the child's description of their picture.

Essentials: ages 9-11

For this age group, focus on reading the teacher's guide aloud and having them complete the coloring, crosswords, and word puzzle activities. Each activity reiterates keywords from the lesson to help with memorization. The narration page is great for drawing a picture of what stood out from the lesson and describing their picture for comprehension.

Challenge: ages 12+

This age group should be able to comprehend the story and apply what they are learning. In addition to the activity pages, the writing prompt at the end of each lesson is a great way to help older students think deeper about the Bible. I encourage you to have your students do the Bible reading listed in the teacher's guide themselves. Let them learn God's story through His Word.

WHAT'S THE GOAL?

Of course, the most important thing is that we are teaching our children God's Word and making it a priority in their life starting at a young age. Through continuous teaching, kids will learn and comprehend more of God's story each time they read it. The hope is that by teaching our kids the complete story of the Bible, they will grow a hunger to keep learning so that they can share the gospel with others!

Memory Sentence

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What are the names of eight significant judges of Israel?

Othniel



Ehud



Deborah



Gideon



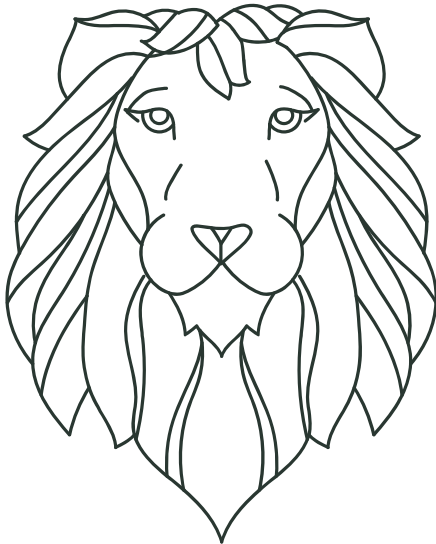
LESSON 1



Lesson 1: THE JUDGES OF ISRAEL (PART 1)

Color & Trace

Below are symbols to represent the meaning of each judge's name.
Color the pictures and trace the names.



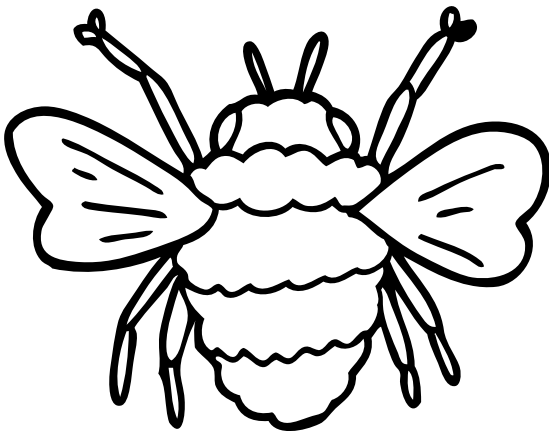
Othniel

"Lion of God"



Ehud

"Give Thanks or Praise"



Deborah

"Bee"



Gideon

"Great Warrior"

Lesson 1: THE JUDGES OF ISRAEL (PART 1)

Color

Gideon ringing out the fleece that God made wet but kept the ground dry.

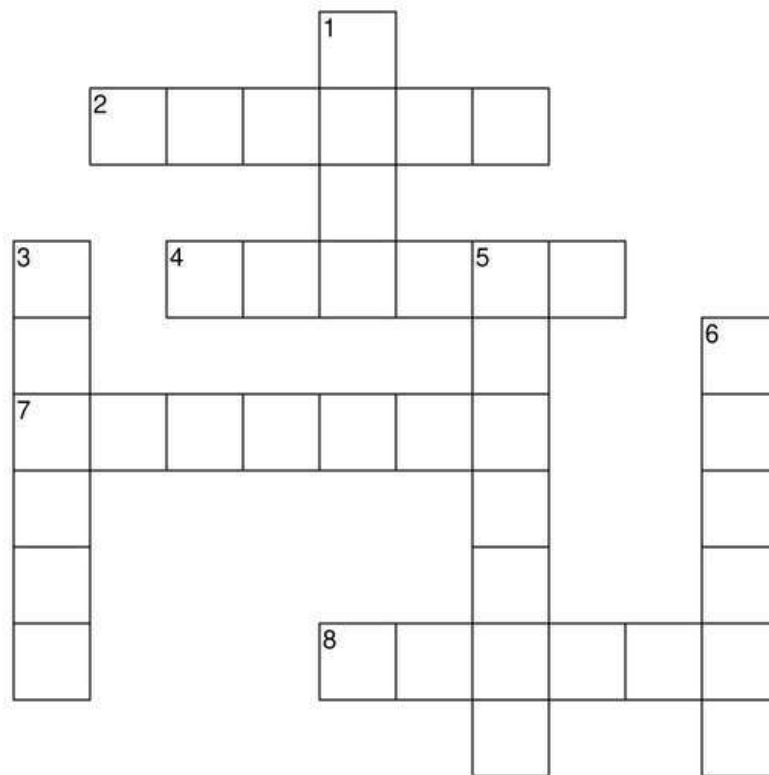


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Lesson 1: THE JUDGES OF ISRAEL (PART 1)

Crossword

Words are based on today's lesson.



Across:

2. Who was the last leader of Israel before judges were appointed?
4. Who fought a battle with 300 men?
7. Who was the only female judge for Israel?
8. How many tribes are in Israel?

Down:

1. Which judge was left-handed?
3. What is the seventh book in the Old Testament?
5. Who was the first judge for Israel?
6. Who is God's chosen nation?

Across: 2) Joshua 4) Gideon 7) Deborah 8) Twelve Down: 1) Ehud 3) Judges 5) Othniel 6) Israel

Lesson 1: THE JUDGES OF ISRAEL (PART 1)

Word Search

Words are hidden across, down, and diagonal.

O E T U E S H E U L S U O A H I
O U E J U H A B O I E E E S E A
A B L R J O U I N H H A E I D E
L A O E E J O D S E G G K H R H
O H S E U G D E L A D I R J R A
I E H G L A O A U U H N B S G R
D J T A E E U D J J O S A H J D
N L E I S H N U D E B O R A H R
K O A R S L E A D E R H A E R O
K B E O A N I I D A L L K D U S
O N J T R A G I A G S E E R A A
L S A H D I H S S H G I A E R N
R E H N U A E R L T G O G D G J
A D U I G L S A N A A E D D D S
E R T E R I D E A H A A H A K E
H A U L D A J L H G B I G O A O

WORD BANK

BARAK
GIDEON
JUDGES

DEBORAH
ISRAEL
LEADER

EHUD
JOSHUA
OTHNIEL

Lesson 1: THE JUDGES OF ISRAEL (PART 1)

Double Word Puzzle

Unscramble the words to decode the secret message!

ABLA

RDEHBAO
12

HDUE
14 3

NEIDOG
1 8

ILRASE
15 5

EUSGJD
10 11 9 13 7

ONHILET
2 6

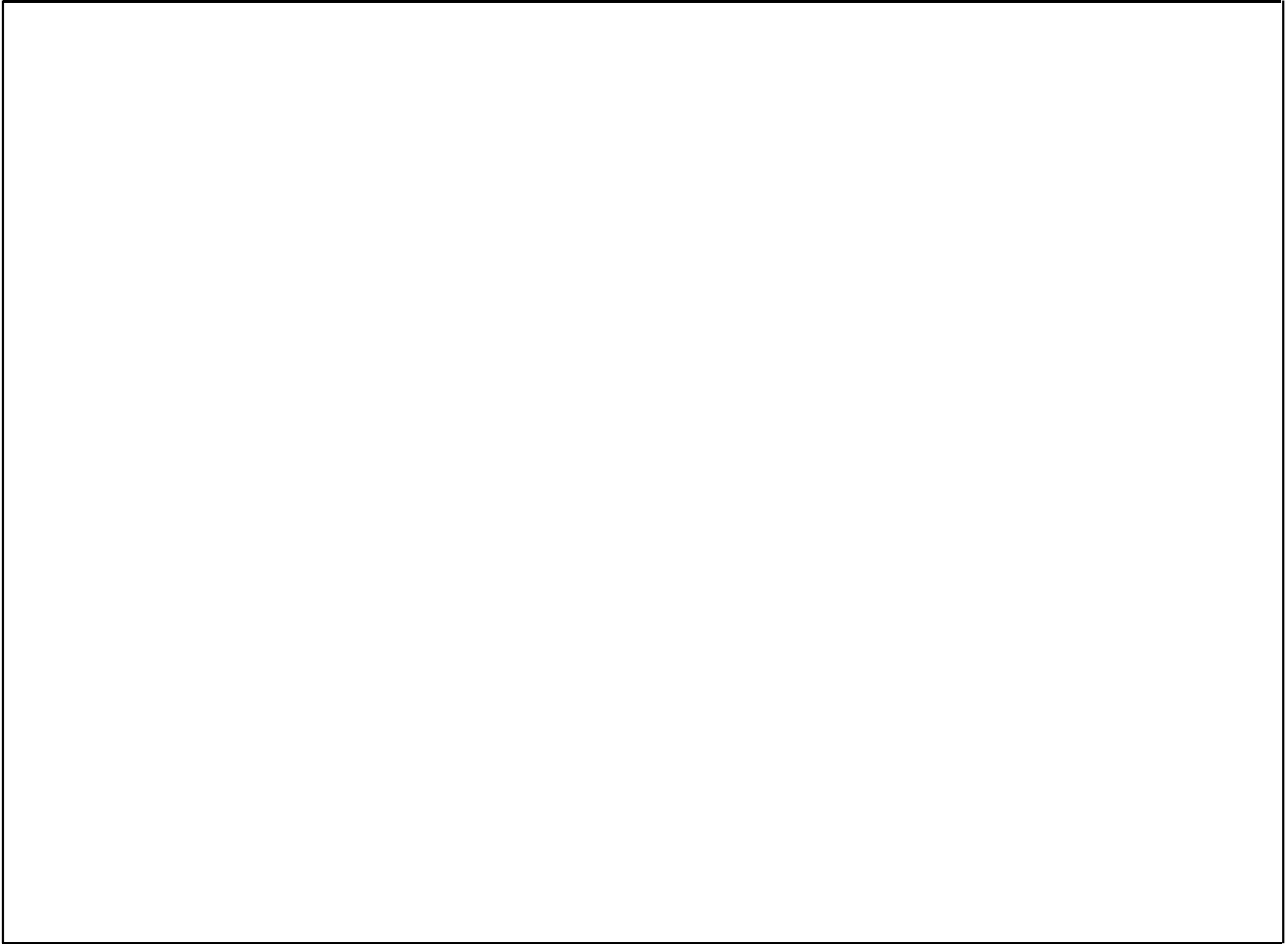
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1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9
10 11 12 13 14 15

Words: Badl, Deborah, Ehud, Gideon, Israel, Judges, Othniel, Tribe
Answer: God raised judges

Narrative Journal

Draw a picture of one of the judges and an important fact you learned about them. Describe your picture below.



Lesson 1: THE JUDGES OF ISRAEL (PART 1)

Writing Prompt

Write a response to this topic:

What is the repeated cycle of sin in the book of Judges?
How did the Lord show grace and mercy to the people of Israel?
