

Lesson Eleven: The Conquest of Canaan - Joshua 1 - 24

1. Review: The material in lessons nine and ten.
2. Give God's charge to Joshua. 1:1-9. What were the people to do? 1:10-11
lead Israel in conquering Canaan; prepare for crossing Jordan & taking Canaan
3. What was said to the 2 and 1/2 tribes? 1:12-15. Who hid the spies? 2:1-4
Remember what you promised Moses; Rahab
4. What happened when the priest's feet dipped in the Jordan? 3:14-17 How did the people on the west side of Jordan react? 5:1
the river stopped flowing; they lost their courage
5. Where did they encamp? They kept what feast? What did they eat? 5:10-12
Gilgal; passover; produce of the land - manna ceased
6. Tell what Joshua saw. 5:13-15. How did Israel defeat Jericho? 6:1-27
the prince of Jehovah's host; marching around the city 6 days, 7 times on 7th day, walls fell
7. Who was saved? 6:25. Who sinned? What effect did that sin have? 7:1-9
Rahab; Achan; Ai defeated Israel - 36 men died
8. Who deceived Joshua and the princes of Israel? 9:1-27. What is given in chapter twelve? 12:1,7
Gibeonites; kings defeated by Israel
9. What did they begin to do? 14:1-5. What did they do at Shiloh? 18:1
Caleb ask for promised land; divide the land & possess it; set up the tabernacle
10. Name the six cities of refuge. 20:1-9. How many **cities were given to the Levites**? 21:41
Kedesh, Shechem, Kiriath-arba - west; Bezer, Ramoth, Golan - east; 48
11. What is said in 21:43-45? What charge did Joshua give in 23:3-13?
Joshua 21:43-45 So the Lord gave Israel all the land which He had sworn to give to their fathers, and they possessed it and lived in it. And the Lord gave them rest on every side, according to all that He had sworn to their fathers, and no one of all their enemies stood before them; the Lord gave all their enemies into their hand. Not one of the good promises which the Lord had made to the house of Israel failed; all came to pass.
Joshua 23:6-8 "Be very firm, then, to keep and do all that is written in the book of the law of Moses, so that you may not turn aside from it to the right hand or to the left, so that you will not associate with these nations, these which remain among you, or mention the name of their gods, or make anyone swear by them, or serve them, or bow down to them. "But you are to cling to the Lord your God, as you have done to this day.
12. What history did Joshua recall for them? 24:2-13. What challenge did Joshua give the people? 24:15
Abraham, deliverance from Egypt, in wilderness & Canaan's defeat
Joshua 24:15 "If it is disagreeable in your sight to serve the Lord, choose for yourselves today whom you will serve: whether the gods which your fathers served which were beyond the River, or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you are living; but as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord."
13. How long did Israel serve Jehovah? 24:31. What was buried? 24:32
all the days of those who had seen God's mighty works; bones of Joseph
14. **Lessons For Today:**
 - A. Read Heb 11:31. What created faith in Rahab? Jos 2:9-11. By what was Rahab justified? Jas. 2:24-26. Was Rahab an ancestor of Jesus? Mt. 1:5
Heb 11:31 By faith Rahab the harlot did not perish ... welcomed the spies in peace; stories of God's power
James 2:25 Rahab the harlot also justified by works; yes
 - B. What lessons can you see in Israel's defeat of Jericho? What happened to Israel when sin was in the camp?
God will perform if we follow; they were without God & lost
 - C. How could the deception by the Gibeonites have been prevented? Jos 9:14 How can we keep from being deceived?
consulted God; turn to God's word for guidance
 - D. Why is Joshua 21:43-45 important? Why did Israel serve Jehovah during and immediately after Joshua? 24:31. What choice were they given? 24:15
God fulfilled his promises; leaders were aware of God; serve God or men

Lesson Twelve: The Judges (Part One) - Judges 1 - 17

1. Who went to battle with Judah? 1:1-3. What did they do to Jerusalem? 1:8

Simeon; smote with sword, set on fire

2. Note: Many of the tribes did not drive out the inhabitants of the land (1:27-36). this became a problem to Israel in later years. 2:1-5,20-23

3. What happened when a generation arose which knew not the Lord? 2:7-13 The Lord to do what? 2:14-15
did evil, served Baalim, gods of the canaanites; used their enemies against them

4. Then what did the Lord do? What did Israel do? 2:16-19

raised up judges to save them; continually turned back to other gods, did not follow judge

5. Who was the first judge? 3:8-11. What woman judged Israel? 4:4

Othniel; Deborah

6. Who prevailed against Israel in 6:1-2? Whom did God send to Israel and what did he say? 6:7-11. Who delivered Israel? 6:11-14

Midian; prophet, Jehovah brought you from egypt, Jehovah is your God, you have not listened to him; Gideon

7. What vow did Jephthah make? 11:30-31. What resulted? 11:34-40

give whatever greets me as sacrifice; sacrificed his daughter to God

8. What did an angel tell Manoah's wife? 13:2-5. What did Manoah do? 13:8

you will bear a son, he will be a Nazarite from birth; ask God to teach them what to do

9. Who was this son? What came on him? 13:24-25. When Samson wanted a Philistine wife, what did his parents not know? 14:1-4

Samson, Spirit of Jehovah; that it was of God

10. What agreement did Samson make with his companions? 14:10-14. How was the riddle solved? 14:15-18

declare my riddle, I will give you garments & raiment; they got the answer from his wife

11. How did the Philistines take Samson? 16:15-20. How did Samson die? 16:21-31

His wife; he brought down the house upon himself & philistines

12. What was happening in those day? 17:1-6 Who became Micah's priest? 17:7-12 What did Micah say? 17:13

every man did that which was right in his own eyes; a levite of bethlehem-judah; Jehovah will do me good because I have a levite as my priest

13. Lessons For Today:

A. Note this cycle: Israel's idolatry, Israel oppressed, Israel cried to the Lord, the Lord sent a judge (deliverer), then Israel had rest.

B. Why did Israel fall into idolatry so easily? Judges 2:10 What destroys God's people? Hosea 4:6

They did not know God; a lack of knowledge of God

Judges 2:10 ... generation after them who did not know the Lord, nor yet the work which He had done for Israel.

Hosea 4:6 My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge ...

C. How did God convince Gideon? 6:36-40; 7:9-15. Note: God never left his people without witness to his being, power, and mercy.

dew on or off a fleece

D. Were Samson and his companions gambling? Judges 14:10-14. Define gambling. Tell why it is wrong. Are raffles a form of gambling?

yes; game of chance where one wins at another's expense; some

gam-ble (gam'bl)v. gam-bled, gam-bling, gam-bles v.intr. - To bet on an uncertain outcome, as of a contest. To play a game of chance for stakes. To take a risk in the hope of gaining an advantage or a benefit. To engage in reckless or hazardous behavior: You are gambling with your health by continuing to smoke. v.tr. - To put up as a stake in gambling; wager. To expose to hazard; risk: gambled their lives in a dangerous rescue mission. n. - A bet, wager, or other gambling venture. An act or undertaking of uncertain outcome; a risk: I took a gamble that stock prices would rise.

E. Evaluate Samson's choice of wives. Was Samson spiritually minded? What mistake did Micah make? 17:13. How can we make the same mistake?

no; assumed God would help simply because he followed part of the law; following only part of God's law.

Lesson Thirteen: The Judges (Part Two) - Ruth 1 - 4

1. Review: Bondage, Wilderness Wandering, and Conquest.
2. When did the story of Ruth take place? 1:1. Who left Israel? Why? 1:1,2 Where did they go? 1:2
judges; man of Bethlehem in Judah; because of famine; Moab
3. Whom did the sons marry? 1:4. Who died? 1:2-5. What did Naomi do? 1:6,7
Moabite wives - Orpah, Ruth; man - Elimelech & sons - Mahlon & Chilion; returned to Judah
4. Did Ruth and Orpah return with Naomi? 1:8-18. To what city did Ruth and Naomi go? 1:19. How did the city and Naomi react to one another? 1:19-22
Ruth did, Orpah did not; Bethlehem; recognized - Naomi told of misfortune in Moab
5. What did Ruth do? Why? 2:1-3. What did Boaz and the reapers say to one another? 2:4. How long did Ruth glean in the field of Boaz? 2:23
gleaned in the fields of Boaz to support them; Lord Bless you; until end of harvest
6. What advice did Naomi give Ruth? 3:1-5. What did Ruth do? 3:6,7
present yourself to Boaz; as Naomi instructed
7. Summarize the conversation between Boaz and Ruth. 3:8-13. What advice did Naomi give Ruth? 3:18
who are you; you are redeemer; I'll do as I ought; wait & let Boaz handle it
8. What did Boaz do? 4:1,2. What did Boaz tell the kinsman? 4:3,4
notified kinsman; told him Naomi was selling a field
9. Then what did Boaz tell the kinsman? 4:5. How did the kinsman react? 4:6
must take Ruth with field; cannot take Ruth, you take it
10. What custom did they have in Israel? 4:7,8. What did Boaz tell the elders of the city? 4:9,10
took off sandal & gave; you are witness of this transaction today
11. What was said to Boaz? 4:11,12. Who was born to Boaz and Ruth? 4:13-17
May the Lord bless you; Obed
12. List the descendants of Pharez given in 4:18-22.
Ruth 4:18-22 *Now these are the generations of Perez: Perez fathered **Hezron**, Hezron fathered **Ram**, Ram fathered **Amminadab**, Amminadab fathered **Nahshon**, Nahshon fathered **Salmon**, Salmon fathered **Boaz**, Boaz fathered **Obed**, Obed fathered **Jesse**, and Jesse fathered **David**.*
13. **Lessons For Today:**
 - A. Why might God have allowed a famine in Israel? 1:1. Was the decision to go to Moab a good decision? Why?
wickedness; yes - there was food for his family
 - B. How did Naomi feel about the way God dealt with her? 1:19-21 How did Job feel about the way God dealt with him? Job 1:18-22
dealt harshly;
Job 1:21-22 *And he said, Naked I came from my mother's womb, and naked shall I return. The Lord gave, and the Lord has taken away; blessed be the name of the Lord. In all this Job did not sin or charge God with wrong.*
 - C. What do hardships do for a person? What characteristics do you see developing in Ruth? What kind of person was Boaz?
strengthen; faith, trust, love, godliness; upright & righteous
 - D. Consider the conversation in 2:18-23: (1) The attitude of the participants, (2) What opportunities it provided, (3) Its results, and (4) How could families today benefit from such encounters?
give and take; understanding of new culture; family; encouragement; strength; love
 - E. How does the story of Ruth relate to the coming of Jesus Christ?
Ruth is one of His ancestors through David

Lesson Fourteen: The Judges (Part Three) - First Samuel 1 - 8

1. Name Elkanah's wives. 1:1,2. Which wife had no children? 1:2

Hannah, Peninnah; Hannah

2. What did Elkanah do yearly? 1:3. Why was Hannah sad? 1:4-8

worship & sacrifice to the Lord at Shiloh; Peninnah provoked her

3. What did Hannah do? 1:9-18. How did the Lord answer her prayer? 1:19,20 Did she keep her vow? 1:24-28

wept & prayed to God - spoke with Eli the priest; given a son, yes

4. Summarize Hannah's prayer. 2:1-10. What did Samuel do? 2:11

thanks holy God, you bless, you give as promised; ministered before Eli

5. What does the last part of 3:1 mean? What message did the Lord give to Samuel? 3:11-14

God did not speak often to the people; Eli will suffer for his iniquity

6. Through whom did the Lord speak to Israel? 3:19-4:1. What did the Philistines capture and who was slain?

4:11 (see 2:30-36)

Samuel; ark of covenant; Hophni & Phinehas

7. What did God do to the people because of the Ark of the Covenant? 5:6-12; 6:10-21. Where was the Ark

kept and for how long? 7:1,2

gave them tumors, killed many; Kiriath-jearim 20 years

8. What did Samuel do? 7:3-9. How did the Lord help Israel? 7:9-12

prayed & sacrificed for Israel; all days of Samuel

9. How long did Samuel judge Israel? What cities were in his circuit? 7:15-17

All his life; Bethel, Gilgal & Mizpah; home in Ramah

10. What did the people ask Samuel to do? Why? 8:1-5. How did Samuel react and what did God tell Samuel?

8:6-9

set a king over them; His sons were wicked; displeased; they reject Me not you

11. What did Samuel say their king would do to them? 8:11-18. What did the people say to Samuel? 8:19,20

tax & enslave them raise an army, take crops & goods; we want a king like everyone else

12. Lessons For Today:

A. What lessons may we learn from Hannah's prayer? What mistake did Eli make in dealing with his sons?

3:13

God listens, all is not as it seems; he did not restrain them

B. Were Samuel's sons righteous men? 8:1-3. Who must receive the blame for the wickedness of Eli and

Samuel's sons? Ezekiel 18:19,20

no

Ezek 18:19-20 *Yet you say, Why should not the son suffer for the iniquity of the father? When the son has done*

what is just and right, and has been careful to observe all my statutes, he shall surely live. The soul who sins

shall die. The son shall not suffer for the iniquity of the father, nor the father suffer for the iniquity of the son.

The righteousness of the righteous shall be upon himself, and the wickedness of the wicked shall be upon

himself.

C. Who allowed the Philistines to defeat Israel? Why? Who later allowed Israel to defeat the Philistines? Why?

God, unrighteousness; God, unrighteousness

D. Can you find a prophecy which was made and fulfilled in this lesson? What may we learn from prophecy and its fulfillment?

death of Eli and his sons; If God says it, it will happen.

E. What was so bad about Israel saying, "Give us a king that we may be like the nations"? Hosea 13:9-11. How can the same thing happen today?

They were to be different from other nations - God was their king

Hosea 13:9-11 *He destroys you, O Israel, for you are against me, against your helper. Where now is your king,*

to save you in all your cities? Where are all your rulers—those of whom you said, Give me a king and princes?

I gave you a king in my anger, and I took him away in my wrath.