

Why are Judges Needed?



About the 12 Judges

Reading Plan: Judges & 1 Samuel

J4	Story of Jael, inspiration for Judith
J6	Gideon
J13	Samson
1 Sam 1–2	Hannah prays for Samuel
1 Sam 3	Samuel hears God's call
1 Sam 8	The people demand a king
1 Sam 9	Saul is chosen as King
1 Sam 13 & 15	Saul's sins
1 Sam 16	David anointed king

Key Words:

Judges	leaders of the people in the time before the kings
Deborah	a female judge who is so powerful & renowned there is a song about her, with assistant Barak
Gideon	fearful judge who reluctantly conquered an enemy with a much smaller army
Samson	the very physically strong judge who is seduced by enemy & gives up his vows
Samuel	13th judge, the one who anoints Saul & David as kings (son of Hannah)
Jael	woman who kills Sisera by getting him drowsy with milk, then hammers a tent peg through his skull, possibly inspiration for story of Judith

Samson & Delilah



Gideon



Samuel & Hannah

The People Want a King!



Promised Land II Key Concepts Recap

Quiz yourself on the key words below – can you explain what each of them are?

Conquest	Promised Land	Jericho
Jordan River	Memory Stones	Rahab
Ruth	Judges	Renewing Covenant
Gideon	Deborah	Samson
Delilah	Hannah	Samuel
Saul		

Senses of Scripture

