

MON March 7

Ch. 5) Deborah and Barak praised God after they defeated Jabin, king of Canaan, and his commander Sisera. Meditate on verse 31.

"So may all your enemies (.....),
O Lord! But your friends be like (.....)."

Ch. 6) When the Israelites suffered under the oppression of the Midianites, they cried out to God for help. God called Gideon to save Israel. Fill in the blank.

"But the LORD said to him, "Peace be to you. Do not fear; you shall not die." Then Gideon built an altar there to the LORD and called it, (.....).

Ch. 7) Gideon gathered an army and prepared to fight the Midianites. Which of the following was not a weapon of Gideon's army?

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| 1) Trumpet | 2) Jar |
| 3) Torch | 4) Iron chariot |

Ch. 8) Chapter 8 is about Gideon's victory over the Midianite allies (v. 1-21) and Gideon's later life and death (v. 22-35). The Israelites asked Gideon to become king, but he refused. Fill in the blanks.

"And Gideon said to them, "Let me make a request of you: every one of you give me the earrings from his spoil." (For they had (.....), because they were Ishmaelites.)"

"And Gideon made an (.....) of it and put it in his city, in Ophrah. And all Israel whored after it there, and it became a (.....) to Gideon and to his family."

TUE March 8

Ch. 9) Israel suffered great tribulation because of Abimelech, the son of Gideon's concubine from Shechem. Who was the son of Gideon who was the only one who survived from Abimelech?

Ch. 10) Who were two judges who ruled the Israelites in peace for 45 years after Abimelech's tyranny and death?

Ch. 11) Who died because of a wrong vow that Jephthah made?

Ch. 12) Ephraim's conflict with Gilead over participation in a war resulted with a civil war. How many Ephraimites died at the fords of the Jordan?

WED March 9

Ch. 13) "The people of Israel again did what was evil in the sight of the LORD, so the LORD gave them into the hand of the Philistines for forty years." At this time, who was the judge that God had prepared to save the Israelites?

Ch. 14) Samson married a Philistine woman from Timnah and he put a riddle to them: "Out of the eater came something to eat. Out of the strong came something sweet." What do "the strong" and "the sweet" stand for?

Ch. 15) After the incident with the riddle in chapter 14, Samson took the lead in defeating Israel's oppressors, the Philistines. What weapon did Samson use to kill a thousand Philistines?

Ch. 16) Delilah and the Philistines cut off Samson's hair, and Samson lost his strength. Samson turned the millstone with his eyes pulled out. But in his final moment Samson destroyed the temple of idols and died along with the Philistines. Whose temple was that?

THU March 10

Ch. 17) As appendices to Judges, Chapters 17-21 are about the social and religious corruption, disorder, and the darkness of the Age of Judges. It is the background of the book of Samuel, the beginning of the monarchy. Fill in the blank.

"In those days there was no king in Israel. (.....)."

Ch. 18) The tribe of Dan took the city north of Canaan and made it their inheritance. Where was the house of God when Micah built a shrine for the tribe of Dan?

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| 1) Jerusalem | 2) Jericho |
| 3) Shiloh | 4) Gilgal |

Ch. 19) "The men of the city, worthless fellows" from the town of Gibeah raped and murdered a Levite concubine. This event showed how morally corrupt Israel was at that time. Fill in the blanks.

"Such a thing has never (.....) or been (.....) from the day that the people of Israel came up out of the land of Egypt until this day; consider it, take counsel, and speak."

Ch. 20) Because of the events in chapter 19, Israelites decided to punish Gibeah of the tribe of Benjamin (verses 1-11). However, the tribe of Benjamin opposed the decision, resulting in a kinship war. How many Benjaminites survived this war?

Ch. 21) Israelites tried to keep the tribe of Benjamin that was destroyed by the war in Chapter 20. Where did women come from to marry men of the tribe of Benjamin?

FRI March 11

Ruth Ch. 1) What is the background of the book of Ruth?

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| 1) Abraham | 2) Joseph |
| 3) Judges | 4) Monarchy |

Ch. 2) Elimelech's relative, (.....), was kind to Ruth when she gleaned in the field.

Ch. 3) True or False?

Boaz promised to redeem Ruth, who had neither husband or son. (.....)

Ch. 4) Which one of the following is not true?

- 1) Boaz redeemed Ruth.
- 2) Boaz and Ruth had Obed.
- 3) Obed is Jesse's father and David's grandfather.
- 4) The book of Ruth concludes with a beautiful love story.
- 5) The book of Ruth ends with the connection of Boaz-King David-Jesus Christ.

SAT March 12

1 Samuel Ch. 1) The story of Samuel begins with the prayer of Hannah, a woman suffering from infertility. Fill in the blank.

"Then Eli answered, "Go in peace, and the God of Israel grant your petition that you have made to him." And she said, (.....)

Then the woman went her way and ate, and her face was no longer sad."

Ch. 2) Fill in the blanks.

And Hannah prayed and said,

"My heart exults in the (.....)
my horn is exalted in the (.....)
My mouth derides my enemies,
because I rejoice in your salvation."

Ch. 3) Samuel grew up in the house of the Lord. What was the first revelation God told him? (Hint verses 10-14 - God tried to overthrow the rebellious Eli family and establish a new leader.)

Ch. 4) During the war with the Philistines, the house of Eli fell as prophesied. Who died in Eli's family?