

# Judges of Israel

(in the book of *Judges*)

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| 1. Othniel  | 3.7-11      | 1 <sup>st</sup> judge after Joshua's death; opposed Eglon of Moab              |
| 2. Ehud     | 3.12-30     | Fought the Moabites  |
| 3. Shamgar  | 3.31        | Led the Israelites against the Philistines                                     |
| 4. Deborah  | 4-5         | Prophetess, guided Barak to victory over the Canaanites, the only female judge |
| 5. Gideon   | 6-8         | Defeated the Midianites with 300 men   |
| [Abimelech  | 9           | Not a true judge; became leader through treachery]                             |
| 6. Tola     | 10.1-2      | Judged Israel for 23 years   |
| 7. Jair     | 10.3-5      | Judged Israel for 22 years   |
| 8. Jephthah | 11.1-12.7   | Defeated the Ammonites   |
| 9. Ibzan    | 12.8-15     | Judged Israel for 7 years  |
| 10. Elon    | 12.11-12    | Judged Israel for 10 years   |
| 11. Abdon   | 12.13-15    | Judged Israel for 8 years  |
| 12. Samson  | 13-15       | Fought the Philistines singlehandedly  |
| 13. Eli     | 1 Sam. 1.3  | Priest; ruled people from the sanctuary at Shiloh                              |
| 14. Samuel  | 1 Sam. 7.15 | Last judge before the kingdom came under the rule of Saul                      |

There are two appendices to the book of *Judges* (with no apparent connection with each other, except that they took place during the days of the Judges):

Dan and the Idols of Micah (17-18)

Gibeah and the Levite Concubine (19-21)