

# Joshua & Judges

## The Book of Joshua

**Key Words** - *The Book of Victory*

**Author:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Joshua** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** **Written about 1404-1390 B.C.**

**3 Periods of time covered...**

- 1) 1 Month @ **Jordan**
- 2) 7 Years @ **Canaan**
- 3) **8** Years divided on either side of Jordan

**Theme:** **\_\_\_ Possessing Your Possessions \_\_\_**

**Key Verse: Joshua 1:8** *This **book** of the **law** shall not depart out of thy **mouth**; but thou shalt **meditate** therein day and **night**, that thou mayest **observe** to do according to all that is **written** therein: for then thou shalt make thy way **prosperous**, and then thou shalt have **good** success.*

**I. \_\_\_ Entering \_\_\_ The Land - Ch. 1-5**

**II. \_\_\_ Overcoming \_\_\_ The Land- Ch. 6-13**

**III. \_\_\_ Occupying \_\_\_ the Land - Ch. 13-24**

• **Chapter 1**

Joshua Succeeds **Moses** & Promised GOOD Success

• **Chapter 2**

**Rahab** & the Spies

• **Chapter 3**

Crossing the **Jordan**

• **Chapter 4**

**Gilgal** & 12 Stones

• **Chapter 5**

**Passover** Renewed

• **Chapter 6**

**Jericho** Conquered

• **Chapter 7**

Sin of **Achan**

• **Chapter 10**

**Sun** Stood Still

• **Chapter 20**

6 Cities of **Refuge**

• **Chapter 24**

Joshua's **Final** Counsel

### Christ In The Book:

1. **Joshua** - "**Jehovah** is Salvation"  
Greek equivalent is "Jesus"  
What Moses could not do, Joshua did!  
What the Law could not do, Jesus Christ did!
2. "**The captain** of the host" - 5:14  
*Christophany* - Pre-incarnate appearance of Christ
3. **The Scarlet Cord** - Safety from Judgment through the blood.

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## The Book of Judges

Key Words - *Delivered*

Author: Samuel

Date: The period of the Judges covers about 350-400 years  
Judges was written sometime afterwards... c. 1043-1004 B.C.

Theme: Failure Through Disobedience

Key Verse: **Judges 17:6** In those days there was no king in Israel, but every man did that which was right in his own eyes.

**Apathy in one generation (ch. 1) led to Apostasy in the next generation (ch. 2)**

Two Great Truths are evident in Judges:

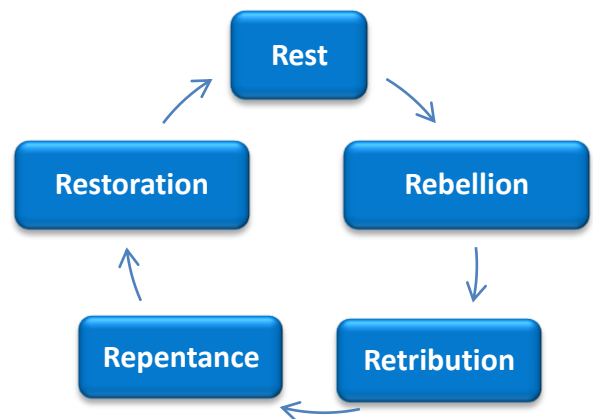
The Recurring Sinfulness of Man

The Persistent Mercifulness of God

The book begins with Disobedience (ch. 1) and ends in Chaos & Confusion (see Ch. 21:25)

God's Repeated Dealings with Israel Reveals a Pattern of:

- REST
- REBELLION
- RETRIBUTION
- REPENTANCE
- RESTORATION



### THE JUDGES

1. Othniel
2. Ehud
3. Shamgar
4. Deborah
5. Barak
6. Gideon
7. Tola
8. Jair
9. Jephthah
10. Ibzan
11. Elon
12. Abdon
13. Samson

#### Christ In The Book:

1. Every judge was a "deliverer"
2. Christ is the Deliverer From Sin
3. Some Judges were:
  - Rulers/warriors/"kings"
  - Prophets
  - Priests
4. Christ is Prophet, Priest, and King

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## JOSHUA BOOK OF CONQUEST



**Author:**

- Joshua (24:2b) – He had been Moses’ minister; now he leads the people under God, just as Moses did.

**Date:**

- 1404-1390 B.C.
- Three periods of time covered
1. One month at Jordan
  2. Seven years in Canaan
  3. Eight years divided either side of Jordan

**Theme:**

**“POSSESSING YOUR POSSESSIONS”**

Egypt – (the world)	Red Sea	Wilderness- (Carnality and Defeat)	Jordan River	Canaan – (Spiritual Victory)
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- Canaan was both beautiful and bountiful, just like the victorious Christian life. Both are claimed only by faith.

I John 5:4 – *“This is the victory that over cometh the world, even our faith.”*  
By faith we must enter into the victory that is ours through the Jesus Christ.

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**OUTLINE**

- I. Entering the Land (ch. 1-5)
- II. Overcoming the Land (ch. 6-12)
- III. Occupying the Land (ch. 13-24)

**Key Words**

“possession”

**Key Verse**

Joshua 1:8

*“This book of the law shall not depart out of thy mouth; buy thou shalt meditate therein day and night, that thou mayest observe to do according to all that is written therein: for then thou shalt make thy way prosperous, and then thou shalt have good success.”*

**Special Features**

1. Joshua is the first of the Historical Books.
  - Pentateuch leads Israel up to Canaan.
  - Joshua leads Israel into Canaan.
2. The Faith of Rahab – Ch. 2
  - (Matthew 1:5; Hebrews 11:31)
3. The two memorials – A sign for the children - Ch. 3
  - See 3:5-7
4. The Campaigns of Joshua – Ch. 6-12
  - Central campaign to divide the land
  - Southern Campaign
  - Northern Campaign
5. Caleb’s mountain – Ch. 14
  - He *“wholly followed the Lord”*

**Christ in the Book**

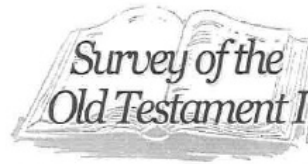
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## JUDGES

BOOK OF ANARCHY & APOSTASY



**Author:**

- Jewish tradition holds the author to be Samuel who was first in the order of the prophets and last of the judges.
- Judge = “a military chieftain” raised up by God to deliver Israel from her oppressors

**Date:**

- The period of Judges covers 350-400 years (Judges 1- Samuel 7)
- This was written sometime afterwards – 1043-1004 B.C.

**Theme:**

**“FAILURE THROUGH DISOBEDIENCE”**

- The Apathy (Ch. 1) led to Apostasy (Ch.2) in the next generation! (2:10-12)
- Two great truths evident in the times of judges:
  1. The recurring sinfulness of man.
  2. The persistent mercifulness of God.
- This book begins with disobedience (ch. 1) and ends in chaos and confusion (see 21:25)

**OUTLINE**

- I. Explanatory Prologue (ch. 1-2)
- II. Main Body of the Book (ch. 3-16)
- III. Illustrative Epilogue (ch. 17-21)

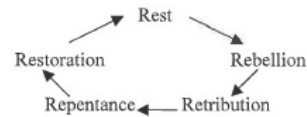
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Judges 17:6

“In those days there was no king in Israel, but every man did that which was right in his own eyes.”

**Special Features**

1. This sad cycle is repeated seven times:



2. We call these “deliverers” *judges* because each one is representative of the Lord, the true Judge.

Othniel	Jephthah
Jair	Ibzan
Ehud	Elon
Shamgar	Abdon
Deborah/Barak	Samson- (much Scripture is given to him because he was judge during the longest oppression – Philistines)
Gideon	
Tola	

**Christ in the Book**

- Every judge was a “deliverer” – Christ is the Deliverer from sin
  1. Some were rulers/warriors
  2. Some were priests
  3. Some were prophets
    - Christ is Prophet, Priest, and King