



<u>God Kept Delivering His People: The 12 Judges - (Judges 2:7-23)</u> Tim Howey - April 9/10

One Story Resources – Day 99

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Israel's journey pictured our journey of faith - (Romans 15:4, 1 Corinthians 10)

In those days there was no king in Israel; everyone did what was right in his own eyes. Judges 21:25 NKJV

All 12 judges pictured Jesus

The people served the Lord while their judge lived

So the people served the Lord all the days of Joshua, and all the days of the elders who outlived Joshua, who had seen all the great works of the Lord which He had done for Israel. Judges 2:7 NKJV

Now Joshua the son of Nun, the servant of the Lord, died *when he was* one hundred and ten years old. **Judges 2:8 NKJV**

The people stopped serving God when their judge died

They forsook the Lord and served Baal and the Ashtoreths. Judges 2:13 NKJV

And the anger of the Lord was hot against Israel. So He delivered them into the hands of plunderers who despoiled them; and He sold them into the hands of their enemies all around, so that they could no longer stand before their enemies. **Judges 2:14 NKJV**

The Lord raised up judge after judge for His people

And when the Lord raised up judges for them, the Lord was with the judge and delivered them out of the hand of their enemies all the days of the judge; for the Lord was moved to pity by their groaning because of those who oppressed them and harassed them. **Judges 2:18 NKJV**

And it came to pass, when the judge was dead, that they reverted and behaved more corruptly than their fathers, by following other gods, to serve them and bow down to them. They did not cease from their own doings nor from their stubborn way. **Judges 2:19 NKJV**

The enemies tested the people's love for God

I also will no longer drive out before them any of the nations which Joshua left when he died, **Judges 2:21 NKJV**

so that through them I may test Israel, whether they will keep the ways of the Lord, to walk in them as their fathers kept *them,* or not." **Judges 2:22 NKJV**

Thus the children of Israel dwelt among the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites. **Judges 3:5 NKJV**

Who Israel Served:

- Canaanites
- Hittites
- Amorites
- Perizzites
- Hivites
- Jebusites

What We Can Serve:

- Desires
- Fears
- Opinions
- Freedoms
- Life
- Career

Israel pictured Christians who need to grow spiritually

that we should no longer be children, tossed to and fro and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the trickery of men, in the cunning craftiness of deceitful plotting, **Ephesians 4:14 NKJV**

but, speaking the truth in love, may grow up in all things into Him who is the head—Christ— Ephesians 4:15 NKJV

The judges pictured our need for spiritual leadership

Remember those who rule over you, who have spoken the word of God to you, whose faith follow, considering the outcome of *their* conduct. **Hebrews 13:7 NKJV**

and not holding fast to the Head, from whom all the body, nourished and knit together by joints and ligaments, grows with the increase that is from God. **Colossians 2:19 NKJV**

This Week's One Story Bible Readings:

- 99. Joshua 10, Joshua 11, Habakkuk 3:8-14
- 100. Joshua 13:1-4, Joshua 14, Joshua 18:1-10
- 101. Joshua 24, 1 Samuel 7:2-4, Matthew 6:24
- 102. Judges 1, Judges 2, Judges 21:25,
- 103. Judges 3, Isaiah 59:12-18, Psalm 50:15
- 104. Judges 4, Judges 5, Hebrews 11:32-34
- 105. Reflection & Prayer

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With Easter quickly approaching, we will start learning all about the real Easter story! We'll learn that Jesus came back from the grave and wants to be our friend forever!

Memory Verse: Jesus is Alive. Mark 16:6b (adapted for toddlers).

Heart of the Lesson: Jesus is Alive and Loves Us

Parent Connect: Today in class your toddler made an Easter puzzle. Help your toddler put the pieces together and then read the puzzle to your toddler. Say: **1**, **2**, **3**, **4**, **5**, **Jesus is Alive! I'm so happy that Jesus is alive!** Put the puzzle together several times this week repeating this simple sentence with your toddler.



In this series we will learn about several different ways that God takes care of us and keeps his promises to love us, protect us, and save us.

Memory Verse: "He is not here; for He is risen as He said." Matthew 28:6a NKJV

Heart of the Lesson: Jesus Came to Save - Palm Sunday - Luke 19:28-40, 22:7-20

Parent Connect: Using today's coloring sheet, ask your kid questions like: Who is this in the picture? What did the donkey have to do with today's story? What are these leaves called? (palm leaves) Why are palm leaves important today? Can you tell me about the first Palm Sunday?



We are taking a two week break from our Road Trip through the Old Testament to celebrate Easter. The death, burial and resurrection of Jesus was foreshadowed by many Old Testament events. Thank you Jesus for being the perfect sacrifice offered so we could be forever friends.

Memory Verse: He isn't here! He is risen from the dead, just as he said would happen. Come, see where his body was lying. Matthew 28:6

Heart of the Lesson: Jesus Loves Our Praise - Palm Sunday- Luke 19:28-40, Matthew 21: 1-11

Parent Connect: This is a wonderful day to worship as a family. Listen to a song on Youtube or the radio and sing together. Or while listening, each draw a picture of what you love about Jesus.





On a road trip, there's one question asked more often than any other: "are we there yet?" In life, we can do the same thing. When am I going to finally be done with school? What is my next step? Why is this taking so long? God's not just with you for the destination, but the journey! Join us as we mirror the adults, exploring the journeys of faith from Exodus-Joshua.

ARE WE THERE YET?

ONE STORY: VOLUME THREE

Memory Verse: The Lord your God is going ahead of you. He will fight for you, just as you saw him do in Egypt. And you saw how the Lord your God cared for you all along the way as you traveled through the wilderness, just as a father cares for his child. Now he has brought you to this place. Deuteronomy 1:30-31

Heart of the Lesson: Outreach Stations - Deuteronomy 1:30-31

Parent Connect: What has God been teaching you through One Story? Write it down on a post it or notecard and keep it somewhere where it will remind you of what God is doing in this season of your life!



As we continue through the Bible, we see that God asked His people to trust Him, especially as they wandered the desert after Egypt! Just like God wanted the Israelites to have faith in Him through the desert, God wants us to have faith in Him through our own lives!

Memory Verse: Exodus 19:6a (NIRV) "But you will be a kingdom of priests to serve me. You will be my holy nation."

Heart of the Lesson: God sent a deliverer to set His people free (Judges 1-2, Romans 3:23, 1 John 4:10 &14)

Parent Connect:

- Why were the Israelites unable to defeat their enemies?
- How does Jesus become our Deliverer?
- What should we do to grow in our relationship with Jesus?
- Who do you know that needs to know that Jesus can deliver them from their sin?