

Lesser Known Biblical History- Judges 3

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Judges 3, Deuteronomy 6:4

- The Israelites served other gods- Asherah and Baal
- They married outside of their faith
- The anger of the Lord was hot against Israel
- He raised up for them a deliverer- Othnie, son of Caleb's younger brother.
- Othniel is known as the first judge of Israel. The Spirit of God came upon him
- Achsah- daughter of Caleb who received the hand of Othniel
- Othniel's name means God's lion or strength of God
- Her father gave him land as a wedding present. Caleb gave her the springs because she asked for a water source.
- He delivered the Israelites from the control of the King of Mesopotamia
- The land had rest for 40 years until Othniel died and the children of Israel did evil in the sight of the Lord
- The Lord strengthened Eglon, King of Moab against Israel who ruled over them for 18 years.
- The children of Israel began crying out to the Lord and He sent Ehud as a deliverer.
- Ehud was a left-handed man. He hid a sword on the right side of his body, and brought a tribute to Eglon, King of Moab. Then, he killed Eglon and delivered Israel.
- Ehud blew the trumpet and became leader
- Shamgar- a farmer, killed 600 Philistines with an oxgoad, a farm tool
- God uses ordinary, willing, flawed people to fulfill His plan and bring deliverance