

# Israel Turns to Idols

Lesson 69

## Israel's Cycle of Idolatry

The Israelites worshipped false gods.

1



God sent punishment because of sin.

2



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The Israelites cried out in repentance.

4



God raised up a judge for deliverance.

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The Israelites had peace and rest, until ...







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## *Lesson Focus*

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During the 300-year period of judges, Israel repeated a cycle of idolatry and disobedience to God. God punished Israel, and they cried out to him. Each time they repented, God delivered Israel with judges, proving his faithfulness.

## *Key Passages*

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Grades 2–3: Joshua 21:43–45; Judges 2:11–16, 3:7–12; Luke 18:22–24

Grades 4–5: Joshua 21:43–45; Judges 2:11–16, 3:7–12; Luke 18:18–23

## *What You Heard in the Word*

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- The Israelites repeatedly disobeyed the Lord and received punishment in the form of enemies mistreating them. When they cried to the Lord for help, he was merciful and raised up judges to deliver them.
- Idolatry in the Old Testament was worshipping false gods. Idolatry for us is when we treasure anything in our lives more than God.