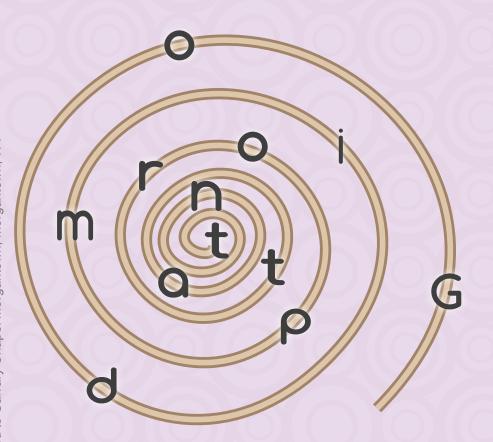


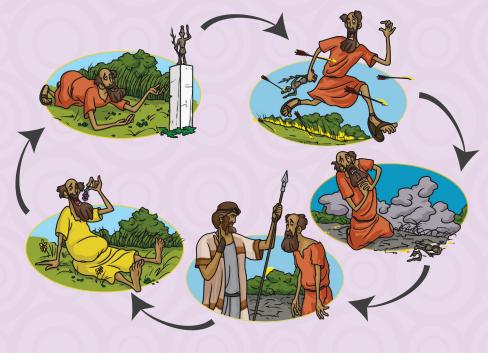
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## Israel Turns to Idols

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

The Israelites went round and round in a cycle of sin. Follow the lines into the center of the spiral. Write the letters in order on the blanks to see a great reminder for us.





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Have I n\_t c\_mmanded you? Be str\_ng and c\_urage\_us. Do not be frightened, and do n\_t be dismayed, for the L\_RD your G\_d is with y\_u wherever you go.

J\_shua 1:9

## **What You Heard** In the Word

- 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.

## **OutWord** For Family Discussion

Suppose your friend says, "I love the Lord and would never worship an idol. I can't understand how Israel could forget God so soon after Joshua died." What could you say?

I'm glad that you are confident about your love for the Lord. The Israelites were also confident that they would always serve God. They promised to re-

> member the Lord and keep his commandments. But they let the influence of the people around them turn them away from the true God. We must be careful not to let the things around us, like being popular, doing what we want, or pursuing the things of the world, become more important to us than God. We must put God first.

## Justin & Jessie

Justin called from upstairs, "Mom! Come here quick!"

Mom ran up the stairs to see Justin and Jessie standing in the hallway, pointing into the bathroom.

A pool of water covered the floor. "Ellie! What are you doing?" Mom gasped in horror.



What has Ellie been up to? Why was there water all over the bathroom floor?! Find out in "Broken Eggs & Bath Toys."

Go to **KidsAnswers.org/jj69** to read the rest of the story and print out this week's Justin and Jessie coloring sheet.