



“Othniel and Ehud—God’s Mercy to Israel”

Judges 3:7-30

- I. The Othniel narrative represents the standard _____ of events to be repeated in the book of Judges and little else (3:7-9).
- The Spirit of the Lord came upon Othniel and he saw _____ deliver Cushan-rishathaim (a name meaning Dark, Doubly Wicked) into his hands (3:10).
 - Through Othniel God gives the land rest for _____, giving our first judge an impeccable record (3:11).
- II. Israel sins in another instance and God strengthens the hand of a Moabite named Eglon (a name meaning Little _____) to oppress Israel for 18 years (3:12-14).
- Israel cries out to God and God gives them Ehud, a man trained in _____, as a savior (3:15).
 - Ehud journeys with others to deliver their tribute but _____ alone with a secret message to Eglon (3:16-19).

2 Kings 3:4

- III. Ehud kills Eglon and _____ (3:20-23).
- The death of Eglon is portrayed with _____ and _____ (3:24-25).
 - Ehud _____ the armies of Israel and defeats the Moabites (3:26-30).
 - A minor judge, Shamgar, is noted in the narrative who killed 600 Philistines with an _____ (3:31).

Proverbs 23:23; James 1:5

