

## **Othniel: The Standard Judge**

**Judges 3:7-11; 31**

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Gravity is constantly pulling us down.

### **How Fast we Fall**

Israel's infidelity

They forgot God

They embraced the fallen world

### **Pagan Instruments in Sovereign Hands**

A gracious God is still angry at your sin.

God controls history, even wars and oppression.

### **Israel cried to the Lord**

We often assume this is a cry of repentance. Is it?

God is stirred to compassion by our misery.

### **Othniel, a Bridge to a Faithful Past**

Who was Othniel?

Covenant loyalty produces rest.

Covenant unfaithfulness yields oppression and unrest.

God is still in control of the chaos.

God is raising up the judges by His spirit.

### **The Rest of Covenant Loyalty**

### **A Brief Word on Shamgar**

What is an ox goad?

### **Application**