Judges A Cycle of Rebellion

The Cycle Begins 3:7-31

Othniel: Caleb's Younger Brother 3:7-11

"The people of Israel did what was evil in the sight of the Lord."

"They forgot the Lord their God"

Eight years of oppression

Othniel – "the Spirit of the Lord was upon him"

"So the land had rest forty years"

Ehud: The Left-handed Benjaminite 3:12-30

"The people again did what was evil in the sight of the Lord"

The Lord strengthened Eglon, King of Moab

A two edged sword

"Now Eglon was a very fat man"

A private, rooftop encounter

An attack, a delay, and escape

"And they killed 10,000 of the Moabites"

"the land had rest for eighty years"

Shamgar: the Farmer 3:31

"killed 600 Philistines with an oxgoad"

"he also saved Israel"