



After the time of Moses and Joshua, Israel fell into a period of chaos where “everyone did as they saw fit” (Judges 21:25). Despite Israel's sin, God raised up Judges from among the people to lead them from rebellion to freedom, including Samson, Deborah, and Gideon. Join us for seven weeks as we study the judges and learn what to do, and maybe what not to do, as we lead the people around us through our chaos today.

Week 2 Sermon Guide - June 2, 2024

This series will help us become better leaders. Today's message is about leading when the chaos around us seems overwhelming. How does this world's chaos typically affect you and the way that you lead others?

LEADERSHIP IS _____ with _____.

“A leader is one who _____ the way, _____ the way, and _____ the way.”
- John Maxwell

Describe the CYCLE that is repeated throughout the book of Judges:

Read Judges 3:12-18. What do these verses tell us about godly leadership?

1. GODLY LEADERS ARE _____.

How was Ehud available to God? What could he have done instead?

How would you assess your availability to God and to those you're leading? How have you done a good job of being available? How can you make yourself more available?

2. GODLY LEADERS ARE _____.

How did Ehud arm himself, and for what purpose?

Read Ephesians 6:12. What does it mean for godly, Christian leaders to “arm themselves” today?

How would you assess your readiness to fight a spiritual battle on behalf of those you're leading? What can you do to better prepare yourself for spiritual warfare?

3. GODLY LEADERS ARE _____.

Read. Judges 3:19-30. How does Ehud prove that he's all-in as a leader?

What are some key differences between "halfway" leaders" and "all-in" leaders? How would you rate your leadership style? How can you be more all-in?

4. GODLY LEADERS ARE _____.

Where's the evidence of Ehud's audacity?

How audacious and fearless have you been as a leader? What's held you back from being bolder and more courageous?

5. GODLY LEADERS ARE _____.

To whom did Ehud give the glory and the credit for Israel's victory? What can you do to make sure those you're leading know that all glory belongs to God?

What role does Jesus play in the book of Judges? How is he the same as Ehud and the other judges, and how does he stand apart?

Summer Events:



Vacation Bible School

Children ages 3 through 5th grade are invited to join us June 24-28 for an energetic week of Bible stories, songs, games, and so much more fun! Learn more and register your children today: thestory.church/summer



High School Apologetics Camp

At this camp (July 22-25), Pastor Eric will lead all current and incoming high school students through teachings and discussions based on the toughest questions and the biggest issues these young Christians face. Register: thestory.church/summer



Middle School Camp & Retreat

We have two awesome ways for incoming 6th-8th grade students to connect this summer - Christianity 101 Camp (July 22-25) and a Beach Retreat down in Galveston (July 26-28)! Learn more & register: thestory.church/summer