### Triangle Bible Study Lesson 1: Book of Judges Overview

According to Walvoord and Zuck, "The Hebrew word for 'judge' or 'deliverer' has a wider connotation than the English word 'judge.' It was a general term for leadership combining the executive (including military) and judicial aspects of governing. Thus, the judges of Israel were primarily military and civil leaders, with the strictly judicial functions included as appropriate." •

#### Warmup

•	What did	you learn	from th	ne lecture	on the	Book of	Judges	Overview?
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#### Day 1: Read Joshua 24:11-18 [Open NIV] [Open NKJV]

- 1. Of what did Joshua remind Israel concerning God's plan for them? (Joshua 24:11-15)
- 2. How did Israel respond to Joshua's reminder? (Joshua 24:16-18)

#### Day 2: Read Joshua 24:19-31 [Open NIV] [Open NKJV]

- 3. Summarize what Joshua said to Israel in vs. 19-20, 23, 26-27.
- 4. What do you learn of Joshua's leadership in Joshua 24:28-31?

#### Day 3: Read Judges 2:10-16 [Open NIV] [Open NKJV]

- 5. How did the Israelite generation, after Joshua, provoke God's anger? (vs. 10-15)
- 6. What was God's temporary solution? (v. 16)

# Day 4: Skim Judges 3:7-11, 12-30, 31, Judges 4-5, Judges 6-8, Judges 10:1-2, 3-5, Judges 10:6-12:7, 12:8-10, 12:11-12, 12:13-15, Judges 13-16 [Open NIV] [Open NKJV]

7. Name the 12 Judges by skimming through the verses listed above.

## Day 5: Read Judges 17:6, 18:1, 19:1, 21:25, Exodus 15:26, Deuteronomy 6:18, 12:25, 21:9 [Open NIV] [Open NKJV]

- 8. Which phrases are repeated in the Judges passages listed above?
- 9. What is the consistent theme stated in the Exodus and Deuteronomy verses above?

#### Day 6: Reflection

10. What do you hope to learn from your study of the book of Judges? Write a short prayer asking God to educate you through this study.