



International Bible Study Commentary

Verse-by-Verse Bible Lessons Thru the Bible

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Judges 3:15-23, 30 Discussion Questions Choose 1 or more Questions from each of the five below.

1. When the people of Israel cried out to the LORD, He raised up Ehud, a left-handed Benjaminite, to deliver them from Moab (Judges 3:15).

What does the LORD's response to Israel's cry teach us about His mercy toward people in distress?

Why might the Bible mention that Ehud was left-handed, and how did that detail become useful in his mission?

How can God use an unexpected person or an ordinary ability to help others in need?

2. Ehud made a two-edged sword, hid it on his right thigh, presented Israel's tribute, and then sent the other men home (Judges 3:16-18).

What do Ehud's preparations tell us about the thought and care he gave to his dangerous assignment?

Why are careful preparation and courage both important when someone faces a difficult responsibility?

How can Christians prepare wisely for difficult work while still depending on the LORD for strength and guidance?

3. Ehud returned from the idols near Gilgal, asked to speak privately with King Eglon, and announced that he had a message from God (Judges 3:19-20).

What risks did Ehud accept when he returned alone to speak with the king?

How did Ehud use timing, words, and the king's curiosity to gain a private meeting?

How can we distinguish faithful boldness from careless or reckless action when facing a difficult situation?

4. Ehud used his left hand to draw the hidden sword and strike Eglon; afterward, he left the roof chamber and locked its doors behind him (Judges 3:21-23).

What does this account reveal about the seriousness of Israel's oppression and the unusual means used to end it?

Why should Christians describe this violent event honestly without assuming that every action in Judges should be imitated today?

How does Israel's need for a human deliverer point us toward Jesus, the perfect Deliverer from sin and death?

5. Moab was subdued under the hand of Israel, and the land had rest for eighty years (Judges 3:30).

Why was Israel's victory greater than the action of one man, even though the LORD began the deliverance through Ehud?

What responsibilities come with the peace and rest that follow a time of deliverance?

How might the Lord Jesus call and empower one faithful person today to bring help, hope, or freedom to many others?