

## The LORD Raised Up Judges

### Judges 1:1-3:6

#### Key Verse: 2:16

1. Read verses 1:1-18. What was Israel's situation after Joshua's death? What was their mission in the Promised Land? (Ex 19:6; Jos 1:1-8) What did they ask the Lord? (1-2) Why was it important for the leaders to show initiative? How did they work together? (3-4) What victories did they experience?
2. Read verses 19-36. How did they fail to complete their mission? What was the cause? Why did they accept these compromises?
3. Read verses 2:1-10. What serious message did they receive at Bokim? How did their compromises become a snare? Why was God angered? What was the difference between Joshua's generation and the next?
4. Read verses 11-23. What tragedies happened? What solution did God present? What are judges? (Dt 16:18-20) What was the vicious cycle of sin or pattern of national decline during the period of the Judges? How does this show God's love?
5. Read verses 3:1-6. How did God test and train them? How was marriage compromised? Why is it important to marry a godly person? What can you learn from this passage about fighting spiritual battles in obedience to God's word?

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