



# Struggles



## KEY WORDS—

Cycles of Sin  
Judges  
Unfaithful  
Consequences  
Enemies



## KEY VERSE—

16 Then the LORD raised up judges who delivered them out of the hand of those who plundered them.

17 Yet they would not listen to their judges, but they played the harlot with other gods, and bowed down to them. They turned quickly from the way in which their fathers walked, in obeying the commandments of the LORD; they did not do so."

Judges 2:16—17

## STRUGGLES—Essential Knowledge and Skills



### DEFINE AND EXPLAIN "CYCLES OF SIN"

1-The people would sin. 2-God would send enemies to test them. 3-The people would cry out to God for help. 4-God would send a "deliverer", the judge. 5-There would be peace and then the people would forget God again.

### NAME ALL THE JUDGES OF ISRAEL:

Othniel, Ehud, Shamgar, Deborah, Gideon, Abimelech, Tola, Jair, Jephthah, Ibzan, Elon, Abdon, Samson, Samuel

### DEFINITIONS:

Cycles of Sin, Unfaithful, Judges, Consequences, Enemies

# Timeline Talk-Struggles



**S** amson

**T** ime of the Judges

**R** uth

**U** nwise Idol Worship

**G** ideon

**G** od ...

**L** eft ...

**E** nemies to test them

**S** amuel



# EVENTS FROM STRUGGLES

The Israelites failed to conquer all of Canaan. The people forgot God and began to worship idols. God sent other nations to test them.



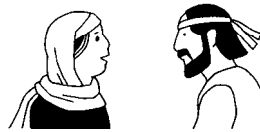
*GOD'S PEOPLE WERE AFFLICTED BY THEIR ENEMIES*

God sent Judges to rule the land and rescue the people.

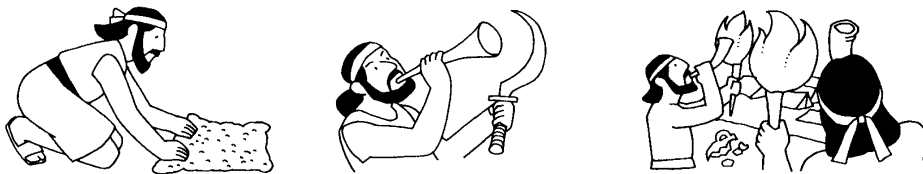
Othniel defeated Aram Naharaim and Ehud defeated the Moabites.

Deborah and Barak defeat Canaan.

DEBORAH



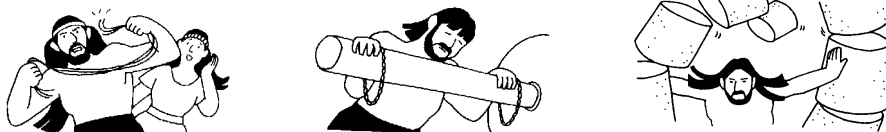
Gideon Defeated the Midianites.



*SCENES FROM GIDEON'S LIFE*

Jephthah defeated the Ammonites.

Samson defeated the Philistines.



*SCENES FROM SAMSON'S LIFE*

RUTH, NAOMI

Ruth and Boaz' Story.



The Birth of Samuel and the end of the Judges period.

