

OLD TESTAMENT BIBLICAL LITERACY

Lesson 17

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- I. Introduction (1:1 -- 3:5).
 - A. Historical Context (1:1 -- 2:5).
 - 1. Failure to Conquer Canaanites.
 - 2. Repeated Cycles of Apostasy, Repentance, Deliverance.
 - B. Spiritual Explanation: Unfaithfulness to Yahweh's Covenant (2:6 -- 3:6).

- II. Major Narratives (3:7 -- ch. 16).
 - A. Othniel (3:7-11).
 - B. Ehud (3:12-31).
 - C. Shamgar (3:32).
 - D. Deborah (4-5).
 - E. Gideon (6-8).
 - F. Abimelech (9).
 - G. Tola (10:1-2).
 - H. Jair (10:3-5).
 - I. Jephthah (10:6 -- 12:7).
 - J. Ibzan (12:8-10).
 - K. Elon (12:11-12).
 - L. Abdon (12:13-15).
 - M. Samson (13-16).

- III. Failures of Israelite Tribes and Inter-Tribal Conflict (17-21).
 - A. Danites (17-18).
 - B. Benjaminites (19-21).