

Having A Basic Understanding of Some Old Testament Truths

Part 36 –Abimelech’s Deception Through The Keeping Of Jephthah’s Vow (Judges 9-11)

1. Who was Abimelech?
2. What was Abimelech’s goal in meeting with his mother’s brethren?
3. How far did Abimelech go to get what he wanted?
4. In the context of Jotham’s words to the men of Shechem, what are some things that should have caught their attention?
5. Will God be with Abimelech and the men of Shechem after what they’ve done (think outside of the context to answer this question)?
6. Did Jotham stick around and submit to his brother Abimelech?
7. What did God do in the third year of Abimelech’s reign?
8. What was God’s reason for doing what is discussed in the previous question?
9. What did the men of Shechem do against Abimelech?
10. Was Gaal successful against Abimelech’s attack?
11. How did Abimelech die?
12. Did God do unto Abimelech and the men of Shechem according to the curse of Jotham the son of Jerubbaal?
13. Who led Israel after the death of Abimelech?

14. Were the children of Israel faithful to God after Jair died?
15. How did God respond to Israel's confession of sin and cry for help against the children of Ammon?
16. What did Israel do to grieve the soul of God for their misery?
17. Before Jephthah is summoned for help, what do we find out about him?
18. Were the elders of Gilead fair with Jephthah or were they just out for their own interests?
19. What condition did Jephthah put in place before he'd answer the plea for help that was made unto him?
20. Did Jephthah seek a peaceful resolution with the king of the children of Ammon?
21. Did the king of the children of Ammon heed to the words of Jephthah?
22. Was God with Jephthah?
23. What did Jephthah vow unto God if God would grant him victory against the children of Ammon?
24. What did Jephthah have to do to keep his vow unto God?
25. List three things that you can learn from Jephthah's account concerning the vow which he made unto God.