

Scripture reading: Judges 3:12.31

The 2nd and 3rd judges –Ehud & Shamgar

Dear children, can you mention any 3 of the wonders that God performed to the Israelites.

- 1) Delivered them from the bondage of slavery in Egypt.
- 2) He divided the Red Sea and the river of Jordan. Brought down the walls of Jericho and saved their lives in many instances.
- 3) In the wilderness, for forty year they were fed with manna, quails and drank water without any effort from their side.

Though they were chosen by such a mighty God, often they rejected the true living Jehovah God and went after worshipping lifeless foreign Gods and did that which was evil in the sight of God. They did all of this because of their unstable mind. Aren't we like them at times? We too are not stabilized in the practice of waking up in the morning and spending time with God's word and prayer before going to school. At times we forget, at times we are busy caught up with something. In doing so, we displease God. We have to prioritize Him. When we prioritize Him and acknowledge him in all our ways we receive abundant blessings from Him. Since the Israelites had gone astray from God, He delivered them into the hands of Eglon, king of Moab for 18 years.

Question:

Who defeated king Eglon? Who are Ehud and Shamgar?

Answer

Eglon was the king of Moab. Do you know who these Moabites are? Don't you remember? They are the generation that was born out of the sinful act of lot's daughters. The Israelites descended through Abraham in a holy manner. Dear little ones, who are we? We are the children of God washed by the blood of Jesus Christ! If we love sin, sin will rule over us. Ehud was the son of Gera, the Benjamite. He was a left-handed man. He made himself a double edged dagger, hid it under his cloth and went to king Eglon portraying to have brought some presents. After a short conversation, he pulled out the dagger and thrust it into the king's belly. That day, the Israelites slew about 10,000 men of Moab. After that, the land of Israel had rest for 80 year under the leadership of Ehud. Again the Israelites were capture by the Philistines. Shamgar fights against them and leads the Israelites into victory. He was the 3rd judge of the Israelites.

"He replied, "Because you have so little faith. Truly I tell you, if you have faith as small as a mustard seed, you can say to this mountain, "Move from here to there," and it will move. Nothing will be impossible for you." Matthew 17:20

Prayer:

Mighty father, help us to be stable in our faith unlike the people of Israel. Each day we will read the bible and live accordingly. Amen