

THE SIX SPIRITUAL DECLENSIONS IN THE BOOK OF JUDGES

THE FIRST SPIRITUAL DECLENSION: (JUDGES 3:7-11)

HEATHEN OPPRESSOR: CUSHAN-RISHATHAIM, KING OF MESOPOTAMIA
TIME OF OPPRESSION: 8 YEARS
THE JUDGE GOD RAISED UP: OTHNIEL, CALEB'S YOUNGER BROTHER

THE SECOND SPIRITUAL DECLENSION (JUDGES 3:12-31)

HEATHEN OPPRESSOR: EGLON, THE KING OF MOAB JOINED BY AMMONITES AND AMALEKITES
TIME OF OPPRESSION: 18 YEARS
THE JUDGE GOD RAISED UP: EHUD OF BENJAMIN (A MAN LEFT-HANDED)

THE THIRD SPIRITUAL DECLENSION (JUDGES CHAPTERS 4 & 5)

HEATHEN OPPRESSOR: JABIN, KING OF NORTHERN CANAAN AND CAPTAIN, SISERA
TIME OF OPPRESSION: 20 YEARS
THE JUDGE GOD RAISED UP: DEBORAH AND BARAK

THE FOURTH SPIRITUAL DECLENSION (CHAPTERS 6-8)

HEATHEN OPPRESSORS: MIDIANITES AND AMALEKITES
TIME OF OPPRESSION: 7 YEARS
THE JUDGE GOD RAISED UP: GIDEON OF MANASSEH

THE FIFTH SPIRITUAL DECLENSION (CHAPTER 10:6-CHAPTER 12)

HEATHEN OPPRESSORS: PHILISTINES AND AMMONITES
TIME OF OPPRESSION: 18 YEARS
THE JUDGE GOD RAISED UP: JEPHTAH THE GILEADITE

THE SIXTH SPIRITUAL DECLENSION (CHAPTERS 13-16)

HEATHEN OPPRESSOR: THE PHILISTINES
TIME OF OPPRESSION: 40 YEARS
THE JUDGE GOD RAISED UP: SAMSON OF THE TRIBE OF DAN

THE FOUR-FOLD CYCLE OF GOD'S DEALING WITH HIS PEOPLE IN THE BOOK OF JUDGES

THE PEOPLE OF GOD DID EVIL IN THE SIGHT OF THE LORD

JUDGES 3:7
JUDGES 3:12
JUDGES 4:1
JUDGES 6:1
JUDGES 13:1

GOD WAS ANGRY AND SOLD THEM INTO THE HANDS OF THE ENEMY

JUDGES 3:8
JUDGES 10:7
JUDGES 4:2
JUDGES 2:14
JUDGES 3:12
JUDGES 6:1

EVENTUALLY, GOD'S PEOPLE CRIED OUT IN REPENTANCE FOR DELIVERANCE

JUDGES 3:9
JUDGES 3:15
JUDGES 4:3
JUDGES 6:6
JUDGES 10:10

GOD, IN STEADFAST LOVE, RAISED UP A DELIVERER AND THE LAND HAD REST

JUDGES 3:9
JUDGES 3:15
JUDGES 3:11
JUDGES 3:30
JUDGES 5:31
JUDGES 8:28
JUDGES 12:7
JUDGES 15:20
JUDGES 16:31