

INTRODUCTION:

1) TODAY WE WILL BE LOOKING AT CONQUEST AND LIFE IN CANAAN

THINGS WE WILL LOOK AT IN THIS LESSON:

- 1) JOSHUA: CONQUERING CANAAN
- 2) JUDGES: SETTLING CANAAN
- 3) RUTH: PROVIDENTIAL GRACE

FIGURE 1)

Books of the Law and History from a National Point of View	
<i>Book</i>	<i>Theme</i>
Law: The Foundation for Christ	
Genesis	The election of the nation
Exodus	The redemption of the nation
Leviticus	The sanctification of the nation
Numbers	The direction of the nation
Deuteronomy	The instruction of the nation
History: The Preparation for Christ	
Joshua	The possession of the nation
Judges/Ruth	The oppression of the nation
1 Samuel	The kingdom of the nation
2 Samuel	The expansion of the nation
1 Kings 1–11	The glory of the nation
1 Kings 12–22	The division of the nation
2 Kings 1–17	The fall of the northern nation
2 Kings 18–25	The exile of the southern nation
1 Chronicles	The preparation of the nation's temple
2 Chronicles	The destruction of the nation's temple
Ezra	The restoration of the nation's temple
Nehemiah	The rebuilding of the nation's capital city
Esther	The protection of the nation's people

PART 1 – JOSHUA: CONQUERING CANAAN:

Q 1) WHO WROTE THE BOOK OF JOSHUA?

Q 2) WHAT IS THE MAIN THEME AND PURPOSE OF JOSHUA?

Q 3) WHAT WERE THE PHYSICAL AND RELIGIOUS CONDITIONS IN CANAAN?

OUTLINE OF JOSHUA...

- I. Entering Canaan, 1–4
 - A. Joshua becomes the leader (1)
 - B. Two spies go to Jericho (2)
 - C. Crossing the Jordan (3)
 - D. Setting up a memorial (4)
- II. Conquering Canaan, 5–12
 - A. Preparing for the battles (5)
 - B. Central battles: Jericho and Ai (6–8)
 - C. Southern battles: Amorite allies (9)
 - D. Northern battles: Canaanite allies (11:1–15)
 - E. Summary of the victories (11:16–12:24)
- III. Settling Canaan, 13–24
 - A. The plan for dividing (13–14)
 - B. The place for each tribe (15–19)
 - C. Cities for Levites and for refuge (20–21)
 - D. Farewell and death of Joshua (22–24)

PART 2 – JUDGES: SETTLING CANAAN:

Q 4) WHO WROTE JUDGES AND WHAT TIME FRAME WAS IT WRITTEN IN/DOES IT COVER?

OUTLINE OF JUDGES...

- I. Conditions in the Time of the Judges, 1:1–3:6
 - A. Areas not conquered (1:1–2:5)
 - B. Israel's cycle of failure (2:6–3:6)
- II. Six Major Judges Who Delivered Israel, 3:7–16:31
 - A. Othniel—from Mesopotamia (3:7–11)
 - B. Ehud—from Moab (3:12–30)
 - C. Deborah and Barak—from Canaan (4–5)
 - D. Gideon—from Midian (6–8)
 - E. Contrast: Abimelech—the anti-judge (9)
 - F. Jephthah—from Ammon (10:6–12:7)
 - G. Samson—from Philistia (13–16)
- III. A Time of Confusion, 17–21
 - A. Micah and his idolatry (17)
 - B. The Danites and their relocation (18)
 - C. Sin and civil war (19–21)

FIGURE 2)

Six Minor Judges		Six Major Judges	
<i>Judge</i>	<i>Reference</i>	<i>Judge</i>	<i>Reference</i>
Shamgar	3:31	Othniel	3:7–11
Tola	10:1–2	Ehud	3:12–30
Jair	10:3–5	Deborah (and Barak)	4:1–5:31
Ibzan	12:8–10	Gideon	6–8
Elon	12:11–12	Jephthah	10:6–12:7
Abdon	12:13–15	Samson	13–16

PART 3 – RUTH: PROVIDENTIAL GRACE:

Q 5) WHO WROTE THE BOOK OF RUTH?

Q 6) WHAT DOES THE STORY OF NAOMI AND RUTH REVEAL?

OUTLINE OF RUTH...

- I. Naomi and Ruth Move from Moab to Bethlehem, 1
- II. Ruth Meets Boaz in His Field, 2
- III. Ruth Talks with Boaz at His Threshing Floor, 3
- IV. Boaz Redeems and Marries Ruth, 4:1–17
- V. Genealogy: The Messianic Line Is Traced from Perez to David, 4:18–22

HOMEWORK FOR THE WEEK:

Read Joshua, Judges, or Ruth. Follow the outline in the worksheet to break up your reading. If you choose to use an Audio Bible, that is fine too.

