

Passage: Judges 3:12-30

- Context – Judges 3:1-11

- Why did God leave the enemy in the land?

Judges 3:1-4

- What happened after the children of Israel had rest?

Judges 3:12-14

- Eglon

Judges 3:14 So the children of Israel served Eglon the king of Moab eighteen years.

Judges 3:17 And he brought the present unto Eglon king of Moab: and Eglon was a very fat man.

- Moab – Genesis 19:37; Deut. 23:3; Ruth 2:5-6

Judges 3:14 So the children of Israel served Eglon the king of Moab eighteen years.

- City of palm trees – _____ (what was significant with this city?)

Judges 3:13 And he gathered unto him the children of Ammon and Amalek, and went and smote Israel, and possessed the city of palm trees.

- Ehud

Judges 3:15-16

- Dagger, present, secret, message from God

Judges 3:16-22

PRINCIPLES

1. God wanted His children to know how to _____ the enemy. Eph. 6; Josh. 10:25; 1 Tim. 6:12; 2 Tim. 2; 4:7
2. God wanted to _____ His children's love for Him. Deut. 8; Ps. 26:2; Ex. 20:20
3. The king of the _____ world's system and his followers:
 - Focus on their "belly" instead of _____ Php. 3:19; Rom. 16:18; Prov. 13:25
 - Desire secrets and fables instead of the _____ 2 Tim. 4; Prov. 9:17; 27:15; Ecc. 12:14
 - Are described as lusty instead of _____ Jo. 2:15, 16; Prov. 6:25; 1 Cor. 10:6; Gal. 5:16; 2 Pet. 2:10
 - Are considered men of valour – in man's _____ 1 Sa. 16:7; Job 10:4
4. God's man _____ the enemy because he was:
 - Equipped with a two-edged sword (dagger) – the _____ Heb. 4:12
 - Ready to deliver God's "message" – the _____ Rom. 10:13-15
 - Ready to take action – the _____ Acts 1:8; Matt. 28:18-20
5. One man desiring to take action with a two-edged sword created a _____ among the children of Israel – and great victory! Ezra 9

PRACTICES

- God wants you to know how to _____ the enemy. 2 Co. 10:4, 5
- God wants to _____ your love for Him. John 14:15; James 1:2-4
- God wants you to be a _____ believer in the midst of Laodicea, where _____ is the focus for most people. Rev. 3
- God wants you to be an _____ – with His Book, His gospel, and His mission. 1 John 2:13, 14; 4:4
- _____ starts with _____! 1 Cor. 16:15; Ps. 18:28

1Corinthians 16:15 I beseech you, brethren, (ye know the house of Stephanas, that it is the firstfruits of Achaia, and that they have addicted themselves to the ministry of the saints,)

Psalm 18:28 For thou wilt light my candle: the LORD my God will enlighten my darkness.

CHECK IN

What is God _____ to you about right now? Deal with it before you leave. Turn it over to God.