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“For whatever was written in earlier times was written for our instruction, that through perseverance and the encouragement of the Scriptures we might have hope.” Romans 15:4

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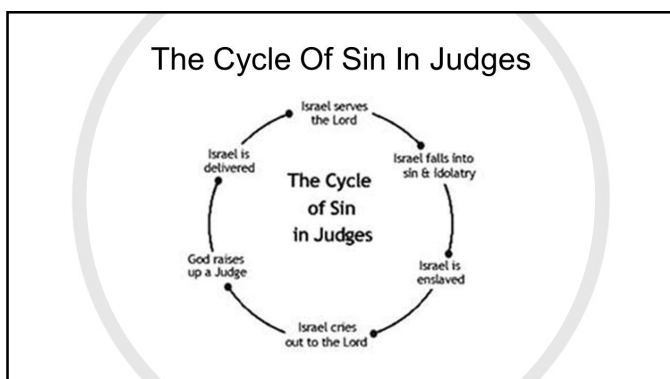
1446 BC	↑ ISRAEL LEAVES EGYPT
1406 BC	ISRAEL ENTERS PROMISE LAND <i>Conquest of Land</i> <i>Joshua leads the nation; dies at 110 years of age</i>
1350 BC	START of the TIME of the JUDGES <i>continues approx. 300 years</i>
1100 BC	SAMUEL BORN
1050 BC	SAUL'S REIGN BEGINS
1010 BC	DAVID'S REIGN BEGINS – 2 Sam. 5:4
966 BC	↓ TEMPLE CONSTRUCTION BEGAN – 1 Kings 6:1

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“In those days there was no king in Israel; everyone did what was *right in his own eyes.*”

Judges 21:25

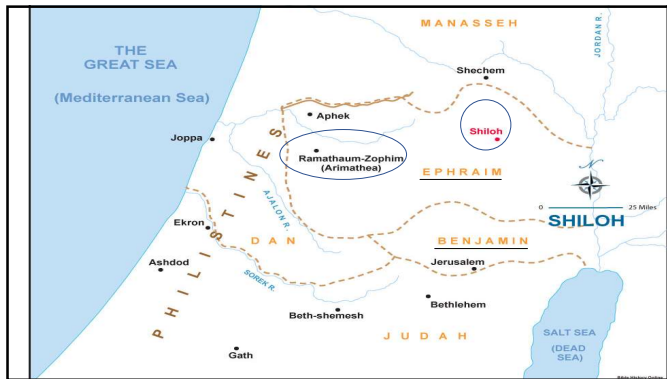
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“...*word from the LORD was rare* in those days, visions were infrequent.” 1 Samuel 3:1

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Sons of Levi: Gershom, *Kohath*, Merari

I Chr 6:27-28 "...Jeroham his son, *Elkanah*, his son. The sons of *Samuel* were Joel the firstborn...."

I Chr 6:32 "They ministered...before the *tabernacle of the tent of meeting*, until Solomon had built the house of the LORD in Jerusalem...."

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"the LORD of hosts" = the LORD of angel armies

Used in reference to warfare and in a time of Israel's need:

- Jeremiah: 80x
- Haggai: 14x (only 2 chapters)
- Zechariah: 50x
- Malachi: 25x (only 4 chapters)

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Observations about Elkanah:

- He took a 2nd wife = problem #1
- He showed partiality = caused more problems.
- He didn't intervene
- He was insensitive

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Observations about "Penny":

- Her provocation was intentional; her motive was to cause Hannah grief.
- She mocked Hannah's faith and her worship.
- She wanted to make Hannah miserable, and she succeeded.

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Hannah makes
a vow to the
LORD



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Hannah presents
Samuel to Eli



"And he worshiped
the LORD there."
I Samuel 1:28

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I Samuel 2:4-9—nine contrasts:

- Vs. 4—mighty and feeble
- Vs. 5—full and hungry
- Vs. 5—barren and many children
- Vs. 6—kills and makes alive
- Vs. 7—poor and rich
- Vs. 7—low and exalted
- Vs. 8—poor and needy
- Vs. 8—ash heap and seat of honor
- Vs. 9—godly ones and wicked ones

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"The LORD will judge the ends of
the earth; and He will give strength
to *His king*, and will exalt the horn of
His anointed." I Samuel 2:10

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Lessons from I Samuel 1 & 2:

1. Showing partiality can cause problems in families.
2. Believers ought to be sensitive to others.
3. The best place to take your hurts is to the LORD.
4. The LORD must come first in our lives.
5. Answered prayer should be met with praise.

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