

ONE STORY: FROM SHADOWS TO SUBSTANCE  
*The Cycle of Judges*  
Judges 2:6-19

The judges, themselves, were weak and \_\_\_\_\_.

1. Gideon required a " \_\_\_\_\_ " to confirm God's clear call.  
(Judges 6:36-40)
2. Jephthah made a \_\_\_\_\_ . (Judges 11:30-31)
3. Samson was immoral, \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_.  
(Judges 16:1,4)

Yet these flawed judges were approved by God for \_\_\_\_\_.  
(Hebrews 11:32-34)

Judges teaches us:

- to teach the \_\_\_\_\_ about the Lord. (Judges 2:10)
- to avoid having our beliefs and values shaped by the \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ around us. (Judges 2:17b)
- to recognize our need for an all-powerful \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.  
(Judges 21:25, Revelation 19:11-16)