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The Good, the Bad, and the Ugly Lesson 13

March 28, 2010

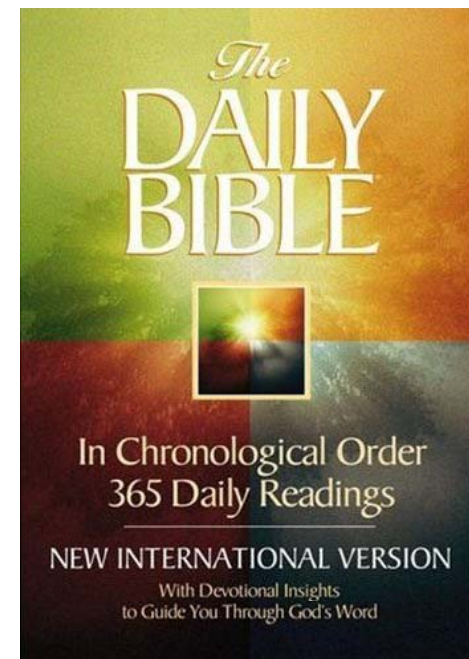
From Last Week

- ▶ The Shema:
 - ▶ Hear, O Israel: the Lord is our God, the Lord is One
 - ▶ *Shema Yisra'el YHWH Eloheinu YHWH Echad*
 - ▶ *Shema*: Hear
 - ▶ *Yisra'el*: Israel
 - ▶ *YHWH*: Yahweh (“I AM”) – The personal name of God
 - ▶ *Eloheinu*: Our God
 - ▶ *YHWH*: Yahweh (“I AM”) – The personal name of God
 - ▶ *Echad*: One



This Week

- ▶ We'll cover readings for March 21-27
- ▶ Ruth, Judges 13-21, 1 Samuel 1-12
 - ▶ The Story of Ruth's Love (Ruth 1-4)
 - ▶ The Judge Samson (Judges 13-16)
 - ▶ The Failure of Israel through Idolatry, Immorality, and War (Judges 17-21)
 - ▶ Hannah and Her Son (1 Samuel 1-2)
 - ▶ The Fall of Eli; the Rise of Samuel (1 Samuel 2-7)



Period of the Judges

- ▶ Not as much a form of government as a method of delivering the people from their oppressors
 - ▶ Military heroes who were entrusted with civil powers during their lifetime
- ▶ The judges did not necessarily rule over the entire nation, but occasionally over just a tribe or small area
- ▶ The judges did not follow immediately on the heels of the preceding judge
 - ▶ Numerous time lapses occurred
- ▶ Not linear order of succession



The Judges

Oppressors	Judge/Deliverer
Mesopotamia	Othniel
Moabites	Ehud
Philistines	Shamgar
Canaanites	Deborah
Midianites	Gideon
???	Abimelech (perhaps first effort at being a king)
???	Tola
???	Jair
Philistines/Ammonites	Jephthah
???	Ibzan
???	Elon
Amalekites?	Abdon
Philistines	Samson



Nazirite vow

- ▶ No cutting of hair
- ▶ Abstaining from wine
- ▶ Not touch a dead body
- ▶ Could be only a partial vow, or the entire restrictions
- ▶ Could last only for a short time, or for a lifetime
 - ▶ Could be made for you before your birth!



Transitional Judges

- ▶ Eli (40 years)
- ▶ Samuel (unknown, likely 40-60 years)



Your Turn ...

- ▶ What insights have you gained from this week's study?
- ▶ What did you find in these passages that you have never seen before?
- ▶ How did the Lord speak to your heart through the Word this week?
- ▶ How will your walk with Him be different as a result?



Next Week

- ▶ Readings for March 28-April 3
 - ▶ David's Rise to Power

Questions?

