## 07-Judges-02-Transcript

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well welcome to another Wednesday night Bible study let me just take care of the sound there this is such a fascinating book the book of Judges we opened up last week with the introduction to judges and I believe we just covered verse 1 of chapter 1 God willing today we'll finish chapter 1 and just who set our perspective for the rest of the book I apologize in advance this is life and what I usually like to do is record it so that we have less problems with the technology so on Sabbath when we were broadcasting there just seemed to be a lot of latency I guess with everybody in quarantine there's so many people are using video and perhaps that weren't using the bandwidth before it's now being somewhat compromised so if you are having trouble with the bandwidth this is being recorded it will be in the archive and you will be able to watch it at your at your leisure and I find the record and regardless of what's happening in the broadcast now when we read it when we review the recording it's fine so hopefully there are no trouble there there's no problems tonight but again if you are having difficulty another problem we can ensure that he'll be in the archive on YouTube on the app and on CGI or on the app but also on YouTube and Facebook as well let's open with the word of Prayer and then let's get into the study for this evening our Heavenly Father we come before you just so grateful the whole world knows that we are in unprecedented times we are in uncharted waters and

although people know that there's something wrong that they don't know what's coming next father we can have great assurance because we understand your word and with there's just such richness in your word father in such insight with just hunger and thirst for this understanding we pray father that you'll help us to keep digging deeper and deeper so that we can have this assurance and confidence in Christ as we walk in a very dark and uncertain time we praise you Father we thank here we ask your blessing Jesus most holy name Amen so we will get into the study for tonight and we did open up with some introductory material last week

I don't go back over that material but I do want to cover a little bit more context as we get into judges it's just so powerful and I think if you haven't done second Isaiah that's in the archive I think it'll be very helpful as we go through judges that you remember and recall the prophecies in Isaiah because it all just weaves together beautifully and it will give us a great understanding of the situation that we face today I want to start in Deuteronomy so in Deuteronomy 32 and we actually referenced this because Isaiah references this in his prophecy so we had covered this with me 13 eyes on her but I do want to cover it today and he just says but gesture on waxed fat and kicked you are waxen fat gesture when being a name for Israel and in their glory you are waxing fat you have grown thick you are covered with fatness so they've just been blessed and this is Moses prophesying of the future of Israel but he says in this time of glory says then he forsook God which made him

and lightly esteemed the rock of his salvation so Moses is seeing all of this as a prophet of God looking into the future of Israel and he sees Israel easy said in Deuteronomy 30 when all these blessings and curses have come upon you so Israel will be blessed but then they'll also be cursed because they're not going to be faithful to the Covenant he says they forsook God which made him and lightly esteemed the rock of his salvation they provoked him to jealousy with strange gods with abominations provoked they him to anger this is Moses seeing the future of Israel are going to mix themselves up with strange gods they sacrificed them to devils not to God to gods whom they knew not to new gods that came newly

whom your father's fear not of the rock that begat you you are unmindful and have forgotten God that formed you this is the prophet Moses dropping down in continuing verse 19 and when the Lord saw it he abhorred them this is Israel this is the covenant people the special relationship the peculiar people that God has carved out for himself in this special marital relationship that he's in with them and when the Lord saw it he abhorred them because of the provoking of his sons and of his daughters and he said I will hide my face from them I will see what their end shall be so again in Isaiah he talks about the God who hides himself well here it is Moses that this is what God said okay you reject me you esteem me lightly okay I'll hide myself and I will see what their end shall be for they are very proud they are very flower of our corrupt generation children in whom is no faith Moses can see it or force it they have moved me to jealousy with that which is not God they have provoked me to anger with their vanities and I will move them to jealousy with those which are not a people

I will provoke them to anger with a foolish nation and again if we combine this with Deuteronomy 30 this is gonna be their scattering but then in that scattering God does not forget the Covenant he uses that to drive them to a true wholehearted repentance so that he can bring them back and have the true relationship with them that he always wanted

he goes on to say to provoke them verse 39 see now that I even I am he is Oh Isaiah repeats this it's repeated in Revelation there's only one God and and what's happening in the earth today were going through clearly the whole world understands that the were in uncertainty that the page has turned and whatever this there's a discontinuity with the past whatever has governed us in the past whatever guideposts we have in the past they're all out the window and everything is up for grabs now in this this reducer there's a reconfiguration and certainly those who have always been seeking global domination they're not going to let a crisis like this go to waste so you're going to see this global cabal this global cult taking advantage globally through all the different nations of opportunities to begin to exert their muscle and begin to dominate but what all of this is happening according to a script it's all happening according to a scripture that Israel can be punished severely in order to be driven to true repentance and then we've read last week that Israel will be God's witnesses that

nobody's going to understand how how it is we came to this point when God returns and then God will call forth his people and say you're my witnesses you explained to the nations why you're here in humiliation that if I did not come and save you you would be completely destroyed explain to these nations what is going near my witnesses so he says to them here see now that I even I am he and there is no God with me so why are you going to these other gods I kill and I make alive so everything that's happening and again as we're going through this period of uncertainty we see China unleashing this Wuhan virus on the world and all of this suffering around the world kind of being totally culpable for this and yet nobody I shouldn't say nobody very few calling out China because they're part of this global cults in fact they're praising China look how wonderful China is doing and then they're condemning America this is this is amazing but all of this is God who's saying he's the one that does this there's no God with him here this is all according to his pattern he kills and he makes alive and part of that is he kills Israel and he protects Israel he kills this really brings Israel back to life but also in Israel's enemies he's the one that were cursed I wound and I heal so he wounds to drive Israel to repentance so that he can heal her and have that special relationship with her that special Union and they will be his witnesses neither is there any that can deliver out of my hand sounds like Habakkuk verse 43 rejoice all you nations with his people so again this is the the fact that God has chosen a people drives the world crazy this MV in the Gentiles and there's a spirit of

superiority in Israel and Judah and it's all human nature there should be humility across the board the Gentile should be grateful that there's light on the earth the light of God in Israel and Israelites should be grateful that through no merit of their own Israel has been chosen to be the light and the glory of God to the world so rejoice all your nations with his people you nations that have been trying to destroy his people that's over now now it's time for you to rejoice rejoice all nations with his people for he will avenge the blood of his servants so he's sending his servants constantly to teach this and they are constantly being put to death and God is going to avenge that and will render vengeance to his adversaries that Gentile nations and will be merciful unto his land so Moses sees this this is God's chosen people on the promised land and in the end he's going to avenge the blood of his servants which is Israel he's going to render vengeance on his adversaries which which are the Gentiles and he's going to be merciful not only to his land but also to his people Moses is clear you people are corrupt you people are evil you have disrespected your God but your God is faithful and he's going to be merciful to his land and to its gonna gather all his people and put them back in the land that's what's happening now before we're going to Joshua let's go back over to Tirana me7 this is the instruction for you this is Moses telling the people as they're going into the Promised Land for you are a we people you have been chosen you've been set aside for a special purpose for you are a holy people unto the Lord your God the Lord your God has chosen you to be a special people unto himself the god of the universe the creator of humanity who made humanity in His image and likeness who promised in the in the prophecy in the garden to Eve that the seed will come and redeem mankind well this is the plan how he's going to do it through Israel

he says he's chosen you to be a special people why because of Genesis reading you're you're the mechanism Abraham's seed is the mechanism through which he will save the world he has chosen you to be a special people unto himself above all people that are upon the face of the earth this is God's doing this is God's plan and design and he says he declares the end from the beginning and from ancient times that which is not yet done saying my plans shall stand it doesn't matter there's nobody that can frustrate his plans and so he's chosen these people to be a special people above everybody else so there's Israel and there's everybody else and Israel is to be a peculiar nation above everybody else the Lord did not set his what his love God has set his love upon these people this is that's why we have the marriage Union so that we can understand the in to begin to scratch the surface of the profound love that God has the covenant love that God has for his people he says the Lord did not set his love upon you nor choose you because you were more in number than any people that's not what's not because you were so majestic people and so let's use you because your power more powerful than everybody else know you were the fewest of all people you were slaves the Egyptians had you bound hand and foot you were going nowhere and that's when

God chose you but that's when pulled you out to make you a nation he says you were the fewest or the least of all people this is why but because the Lord loved you is in this covenant with you and because he not you he would keep the oath which he had sworn unto your father's that's has the Lord brought you out with a mighty hand and redeemed you out of the house of bond men from the hand of Pharaoh king of Egypt so we saw last week that God gave Mount Seir Esau and Jacob were brothers and he gave him a seer to Esau and then he sent jacob into Egypt where Jacob would be enslaved to fulfill the prophecy to Abraham and then in the moment of the depth of humiliation and degradation God pulled them out of that to establish them as the head nation the nation to be available all people on the earth verse 16 Deuteronomy 7 and listen now so he's chosen you he's made you this nation he's taking you you're going into the Promised Land now here is the instruction remember last week what I said God has the right to punish his creation and he did that with the flood and the flood is it was was merciless it just went in and just destroyed and only eight people survived that but that's God's right he wanted to start over these people that occupy this land that Moses is telling the children of Israel to go in it it's the land that's been promised to you these children of Israel are like a flood and they are to go in and destroy these people why because there are children of that filthy man named Canaan and their whole nation s began with the corruption and the lewdness of mind of Canaan and and the whole culture was lewd and and violent and horrible in God's eye okay I've had

enough I'm gonna wipe these people out and now I'm gonna bring my people in and establish righteousness and the whole earth will learn from this Christmas ultimately these same people that are wiped out will be resurrected we go to Revelation chapter 20 and they will be resurrected and they will be taught and they will have the opportunity to choose a clean life or to continue in their filth but here's the flood he says you shall destroy all the people how many people what what percentage of people you shall destroy all the people which the Lord your God shall deliver you your eyes shall have no pity upon them neither shall you serve their gods for that will be a snare on here so how many people should be destroyed everybody and how much pity should they have upon these people none and after they entangle themselves in their gods know that'll be a snare if you shall say in your heart these nations are bigger than me they're there more than I how can i diss possess them you shall not be afraid of them but shall will remember what the Lord your God did unto Pharaoh and until all Egypt so that the nation began with God's mighty hand pulling them out of the bondage the stronghold of Egypt that's how they began and now as they go into the Promised Land and they face these mighty nations they're not to look the fact that they're small and the fact that these nations are powerful and well established they're not to look at that and say how we're gonna do this instead they're to look at what the miracle of God performed in bringing them out of the stronghold of Egypt and establishing them as a people that's what they're to remember and to know that God is with

them and God wants these people removed from the land verse 21 you shall not be afraid of them why shouldn't they be afraid because the Lord your God is among you a mighty God and terrible verse 24 and he shall deliver their kings these mighty nations he shall deliver their kings into your hand and what shall you do and he when delivers their King into your hands what should you do and you shall destroy their name from under heaven they should no longer exist there shall no man be able to stand before you until you have destroyed them so that's the context and then really you know we should have gone through Joshua to see how Moses hands over the leadership to Joshua what a valiant and courageous leader Joshua was he's helping them clear the land he understands from Moses what part of the promised land should be assigned to which tribes and so all of that now we come Joshua dies so Moses dies Joshua dies and then we come into judges judges 1 and verse 1 now after the death of Joshua it came to pass that the children of Israel asked the Lord saying who shall go up for us against the Canaanites first to fight against them so last week in the chat afterwards JD asked the question or made the statement I think with the question actually if Moses chose Joshua as his successor why is there no there's a leadership crisis here why didn't Joshua have a successor and I think it's a great question and it's worth meditating on my sense is that from all the promises from Moses the understanding of what Moses said and they're going to go into the Promised Land nobody's gonna stand before them I believe and they were to do it gradually

they were not just going to conquer everybody at once but tribe by tribe and so that way they don't get overtaken by wild beasts that's all in Joshua and in numbers so when they go in I think when Joshua went into the land I think he probably thought within 10 years certainly within his lifetime all of this would be done and then the nations would would exist as is this a confederation of states but obviously Joshua didn't finish the job and then he died and he did not groom a successor and so now they're asking who shall go up for us

to fight against them and that's how the book begins and there is a sense of there's still this strong relationship over by the end of the book and I showed that last week they're asking the same question but this time is to destroy one of the tribes they have now turned on the tribe of Benjamin because of the filth of Benjamin that Benjamin well you know the whole story of Judges is the unfaithfulness of Israel that they do the opposite of what they were told to do instead of destroying the people and getting rid of their influence they actually coexist with them and instead of being influential and turning them to righteousness they allowed the Canaanites they influence them and turn them to the filth of Canaan so they asked who shall go up for us against the Canaanites first to fight against them and the Lord said Judah shall go up behold I have delivered the land into his hand so as they now move in the person who or the tribe that gets the greatest honor to go first is Judah and that really aligns with Genesis the the blessing of Israel in Genesis 49 8 he says Judah you are he

whom your brethren shall praise your hand shall be in the neck of your enemies your father's children shall bow down before you so there's a leadership role for Judah and God is remaining faithful to the promises given by the forefathers and sir this is uh this is this is should be judges give me one second just to correct this Judge right here

here Ju D could be Jude or could be judges so it took it as Jude so continuing now in verse three and Judah said unto Simeon his brother come up with me into my lot that we may fight against the Canaanites and I likewise will go with you into your lot so Simeon went with him so the promised land has already been divided they have to go and claim it so there's there's an allotment for Judah and you'll see here in Joshua when Joshua was giving them the allotments in nineteen verse 1 and second law came forth to Simeon even for the tribe of the children of Simeon according to their family so the land was apportioned by lot and their inheritance was within the inheritance of the children of Judah so Jude is a very big tribe Simeon as a smaller tribe but you can see that there they're adjacent and they're within their it within the inheritance of Judah and these are brothers they're both children of Leah so they have a kinship and they're going to now Judas and come with me help me get my land and then once we've established mile and then our tribe will go with your tribe to get your land so as brothers that make sense and Judah went up and the Lord delivered the Canaanites so this is the process of them going into the Promised Land and claiming it

and this is exactly what the Lord said he would do and the Lord delivered the Canaanites and the perizzites into their hand and they slew of them in Bezeq ten thousand men it's that big army and here here is just two of the tribes Judah and Simeon going in and just slaughtering these people according to the commandment according to the instruction of Moses and Joshua that's what they're doing they're tearing out the land of these very evil people so so they go in and they slay embedded ten thousand men and they found a done I'd be Zack so I don either the Lord of Bezique the king in vizak they found him and they fought against him God says I'm gonna deliver Kings into your hands and they fought against him and they slew the Kennedy Canaanites and the perizzites but I don Abhisek fled and they pursued after him and caught him and and what are they supposed to do when they when they catch these kings

destroy them well they didn't do that there's a custom and so here's what they did they cut off his thumbs and his great toes so that's a pretty brutal punishment for this king but that was the custom within the land and so da naboo Zack said seventy Kings having their thumbs and they're great toes cut off gathered their meat under my table I don't pause here for a minute because I think the next assembly that I go to I said well maybe two or three years ago I just sort of noticed this where I go I think was my son's graduation was the first time I noticed that we're in the assembly and before they begin they're like we want to take this moment to acknowledge that we are occupying the lands of such-and-such a tribe as first time I heard I thought that's odd

and then not once but twice just kept hearing this you just want to take a moment to acknowledge that we are occupying the land of such-and-such a tribe and and then the notion is that these people were just so holy and so righteous and so wonderful and lived in such peace and harmony listen if you don't have the God of Israel is your God then you have Satan is your God and the influence of Satan and all of these sort of people at least I forget the word I'm looking for the people inherit in the land the first miscrits called the First Nations is a word I'm looking for that just escapes me all of these First Nations they were violent people they were in slicking every nation in every continent enslaving one another violently taking overthrowing one another expanding their territory by capturing the other the other people capturing wise for themselves that was the nature of mankind so this notion that oh you know before we came to whatever land it was that these people just live so peacefully and they were just so loving and kind false narrative false narrative and here we have the indigenous that's the word I was looking for so here we have the indigenous people there I just I'm filing brutal and and immoral people and the men now now that it's happened to him he acknowledges you know what I've just gone I just conquered all these kings and then I would drag them back and I would chop off their their their thumbs I would chop off their thumbs and their big toes and they had to beg they couldn't do it they were disabled they had to beg under my table and now he says as I have done so God has requested me now that's his

perspective I don't think that's your hope his perspective this is pretty brutal a torturous way of dealing with these these Kings God just said to Judah Israel go in and kill them and have no mercy but this is in a way a form of mercy they let him live let him live and that was not the instruction as I have done so God has requested me and they brought him to Jerusalem that they being his people so so he lived his people brought him back to Jerusalem and there he died he should have died at the hands of Judah they should have carried out the instruction have no mercy show no pity clean these people out of the land but they did in a sense show mercy and he acknowledged this this is fair I did this to so many nods happen to me his people take him back to Jerusalem before Israel and Judah took possession of it and that's where he died now the children of Judah fought against Jerusalem and had taken it and smitten it with the edge of the sword and set the city on fire so they're going in and they're taking the land and afterwards the children of Judah went down to fight against the Canaanites that dwell in the mountain and in the south so they're just moving further down remember this is the southern kingdom so they're conquering this the southern part of the land and in the valley and Judah went against the Canaanites that dwelt in Hebron now the name of Hebron before was kerja quor'toth Abba Kurt atharva so this is of course the land that David will choose Hebron to live but this isn't that time was called kerja Thaba and they slew a shy and AAHA man until my and from there he went against the inhabitants of the bear and the name of de bear before was kerchief

sefar and Caleb he that smites keria sefar and it and takes it to him will I give AXA my daughter to wife and often yell we're gonna learn more about Oz Neal his birth judge off Neil the son of King us Caleb's younger brother says his nephew took it and he gave him AXA his daughter to wife so here's the first marriage that we read of as they go into the land as we begin here in judges and it's marriage according to covenant as we start as we go further now we're gonna start seeing them marry the very thing they were told not to do we're gonna see them do it they're gonna start taking why from from the Canaanites from the people of the land so here we see that I just closed this and Caleb said I'll give access my daughter to wife and then Caleb's younger brother took it and so he gave his daughter to wife and it came to pass when she came to him that she moved him to she moved him to ask her father a field and she lighted off from her donkey and Caleb said unto her what would you like and she said unto him give me a blessing for you have given me a Southland give me also Springs of water and Caleb gave her the upper springs and the nether Springs so we can see here this is a very auspicious star wonderful star they're taking the land this woman should the one health Neil's wife hey wait until you give us like can we have some Springs of water as well sure I take this land this is exactly according to the plan of God and the children of key night Moses's father-in-law went up out of the city of the palm trees with the children of Judah into the wilderness of Judah which lies in the south of arid and they

went and dwelt among the people so now we have Moses's father-in-law the key Knights they're now going with Judah and that makes sense if we go back to numbers numbers 10 bursts 9 Moses said unto ho Bob the son of reg well the Midianite Moses his father-in-law we are journeying unto the place of which the Lord said I will give it you come you with us and we will do you good for the Lord has spoken good concerning Israel and he said unto him I will not go but I will depart to my own land into my kindred and he said leave us not I beg you for as much as you know how we are to encamped in the wilderness and you may be to us instead of eyes so you can you can help us and it shall be if you go with us yes it shall be that what goodness the Lord shall do unto us the same will we do unto you so you see they start off their being faithful to the Covenant their being faithful to the instructions of Moses and so now that children of Moses his father-in-law that went with Judah there they're being blessed the same way Judah was being blessed verse 17 and Judah went with Simeon his brother and they slew the Canaanite so so first Simeon held Judah Simeon helps Judah then Judah helps Simeon and Judah went with Simeon his brother and they slew the Canaanites that inhabited zefa and utterly destroyed it that's right that's the instruction so they go in and they utterly destroy it and the name of the city was called hormone also Judah till Gaza as the same Gaza we hear about today Judah took Gaza with the coast thereof and Ascalon and so again the indigenous people people want to say you know this is our land were indigenous to

the land you condemn yourself you condemn yourself as as children of Canaanites the corrupt Canaan and the filth of Canaan and you want to brag that you are the original Canaanites you condemn yourself and Judah also did also do the tollgate Gaza with the coasts thereof and Ascalon with the coasts thereof and ekron with the coasts thereof and the Lord was with Judah and he drove out the inhabitants of the Mountain now we start to see a problem so Jude is following everything but now it says here we expect that Florida's with Judah we expect great success but we saw a bit of compromise with the I don't I

Zack letting him go and now we're starting to see some problems here the Lord is with Judah so we expect success and he drove out the inhabitants of the mountain but he could not drive out the inhabitants of the valley because they had chariots of iron well really that's nothing God dude God didn't know they had chariots of honor God says whenever you face they just remember what I did with Egypt and just go forward but now they see this strength of iron new technology at the time and they can't handle it and they gave Hebron unto Caleb as Moses said so again they're doing their best to be faithful to the instruction and he expelled their the three sons of anak and the children of Benjamin okay let's continue now so that was Judah and Simeon now let's continue with Benjamin and the children of Benjamin what did not drive out the Jebusites that inhabited Jerusalem this is this is well what is this they didn't drive them out though the instruction was very clear you're to go into the land and you're to

take you to take it piecemeal bit by bit but show no mercy I'm with you here now Benjamin is pursuing their land and the children of Benjamin did not drive out the Jebusites

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Jebusites dwell with the children of
Benjamin in Jerusalem unto this day now
as we go deeper into judges Benjamin is
going to become a real problem of
corruption that it's gonna be you know
PG at least maybe even restricted that
you might not want your children
listening when we get into some of the
things that happen in in Benjamin's land
but here's the seed of it these people
are filthy

these people are corrupt they are descendants of Canaan there's a curse on Canaan and God says here but just just don't believe the way this nation started is in corruption so just please don't have anything to do with them and yet he says here that they dwell with them to this day okay God says it's the Aquabats not what you should do and the house of Joseph see now we go to the north Joseph they also went up against Bethel and the Lord was with them okay so we expect good success if the Lord is with them there's an expectation here they gotta follow the instructions and the house of Joseph went to describe Bethel well this is Old English they went to spy on Bethel they just want to kind of get the lay of the land now the name of the city before was laws so it's Beth I'll bet they'll so house of God notes we would before called us and the spies saw a man come forth out of the city so the spies go out to sort of see what's the landscape here they see a man come forth out of the city and they said unto Him show us we beg you the entrance

into the city how do we penetrate the city and what and what show us we beg you the entrance into the city and we will show you mercy we're going to negotiate a deal with you quid pro quo you did this for us and we'll do this for you that's the exact opposite of the instruction from Moses you're to make no agreements with them you are to go in and utterly destroy them and so here's Joseph ephraim and manasseh going in and negotiated you show us the entrance so instead of the big so the Lord is with them instead of depending entirely upon the Lord they're negotiating with the people of the land so if you do this for us we will show you mercy I don't know where that's the opposite of what most and when he showed them the entrance into the city what did they do they smote the city with the edge of the sword good but oh so whatever you see but it means you can negate everything that came before it's bigger now focus on what comes after the body because whatever came before it's out the window so he says here they smoke the city with the edge of the sword good but oh well they let go the man and all his family they showed mercy this is about the instruction of Moses and the man went into the land of the Hittites oh he escaped with his family he went into the land of the Hittites and what did he do he built a city and called the name thereof laws which is the name thereof unto this day so at the time of writing and we believe this was written by Samuel is good reason to believe was written by Samuel for Saul so you know sort of though maybe a thousand thirteen hundred to a thousand BC in that time

period but at the time of writing these people should have been cleared out but Israel is dwelling with them to this day neither says neither did Manasseh well so we what you from M&S and neither did Manasseh drive out the inhabitants of Bastien and her towns nor Tanakh and her towns nor the inhabitants of door this is how judges begins the the people are already unfaithful this is the time for them to go in and seize the land God is with them God wants to drive these people out of the land he wants to give these people the land he wants to establish them as his peculiar people and he wants to use them as the jumping-off point to bring the West rest of the world into redemption neither did Manasseh drive out the inhabitants of beth shean and her talents Nora Tanakh and her towns nor the inhabitants of door in her towns nor the inhabitants of a bleem and hurt what's going on here this is what is this nor the inhabitants of Megiddo and her towns but the Canaanites would dwell in the land this is a disaster this is a disaster

the Canaanites would dwell in that land what a disaster

this is Moses foresaw all of this and it came to pass when Israel was strong that they put the Canaanites to tribute what so they were in forced labor they made the Canaanites slaves I guess then they probably learned a lot about that from Egypt but that wasn't the instruction the instruction was to completely they were strong and the instruction was to wipe them out to cleanse the land this is a purge and instead of purging them they enslave them and they dwell with done and did not actually drive them out neither did he free em drive out the

Canaanites that dwelt in Geezer but these are big tribes Ephraim and Manasseh but the Canaanites dwelt in Geezer

among them neither did Zebulon practices and disaster neither did Samuel and drive out the inhabitants of Katrai nor the inhabitants of mahalo but the Canaanites dwelt among them and became tributaries they became servants the forced labor so there's the whole culture that began with ham and Canaan that God says what these people they these people are horrible clean them out that culture now coexists with Israel and Israel is now going to be in for the berry thing that Moses said don't do this actually God said it don't mix with them they're gonna mix with them they're gonna be corrupted so now we come to a Zeppelin he didn't drive out the inhabitants of kitronik nor the inhabitants of the Halal but the Canaanites dwelt among them and became tributaries neither did Ashur drive out the inhabitants of Akko nor the inhabitants of Zion nor of love nor Aksum nor of Hell baa I think we're getting the picture here nor of ethic nor of Rahab but the azure-eyed dwelt among the Canaanites the inhabitants of the land for they did not drive them out they did not drive them out and you know this is where people always think they have a better idea than God and even today among us we have Christians that the law is very clear but there's parts of God's law which appear harsh to the natural man and so because it appears harsh we want to compromise wanna soften it want to apologize for God and we want to come up with a better idea than God we want to be more righteous than God instead of just doing what God says that

we must do what God says and be faithful to the text but no we're just like the ancient Israelites we're just like them we got a bit were more righteous than God so they did not drive them out neither did not tally so after you can see this kind of contagion as well like hey you kind of look around what are your what are your colleagues doing and you end up doing the same thing as them neither did Natale drive out the inhabitants of beth shemesh nor the inhabited evidence of beth penneth but he dwelt among the Canaanites the inhabitants of the land the very people that god said go in and wipe them out nevertheless the inhabitants of beth shemish and of Beth Anna became tributaries unto them so there's this ongoing relationship now and the amorite forced the children of Dan into the mountain they're supposed to just go in and conquer these people but instead they're having to retreat the AMA rides forced the children of Dan into the mountain for they would not suffer them to come down to the valley they wouldn't allow it the gods God said when you see these people powerful people don't think about their power think about my power think about how you were established as a nation think about how powerful Egypt was no these nation as powerful as Egypt and think about what I did to Egypt with the Amorite would dwell in mount Harris in aijalon and in shall beam yet the hand of the house of Joseph prevailed so that they became tributaries again that wasn't the plan so they're strong but they're not carrying out the plan and the cost of the amorite s-- was from the going up of

Accra being from the rock and up work so that is how the that is how judges begins so this is this is how these could kill your people have been chosen by God as they go into the land this is how the whole project begins with this great failure of Israel to the Covenant now by the end of the book by the time we get to the end of the book of Judges there's only one conclusion we can come to and that is Israel is a complete failure the project is a failure these people are a failure it's over it should be and yet even though this is how the the story begins we have this whole history of Israel from that time of the judges right up to today God has not forgotten Israel and when I say is really mean all 12 tribes not just the Jews who are in what the land that we called Israel today that's just one knew I shouldn't say one tribe is you know Judah with Judah Benjamin probably have Simeon mixed up in there and a little bit of Levi but to the Jews that the southern nation southern tribes these northern tribes are also part of Israel they're also part of this covenant and everything is in the Torah that this covenant is eternal and God's plan for this people will not be frustrated and Moses told the very people this these of curses are going to come upon you because of your unfaithfulness but God's blessing is gonna come upon the very same people these the descendants of these people and these very same people are going to be resurrected and God's Word is God's Word it can I cannot lie and now we have this whole overlay of what God is doing with the firstfruits and how he's grafted Gentiles into Israel but it's still Israel and all of that we covered in

detail in Isaiah so if you need a refresher I would encourage you to go back over what we cuz study denies I have you haven't studied eyes on it with us encourage you to go into the archive and and study Isaiah because it will just make so much sense where we have that overlay of Isaiah's prophecy which is like a mini Bible the whole Bible is in Isaiah don't make so much sense so let's stop there that's judges 1 we're well into the book now and then God willing next week we'll continue with judges chapter 2 what a mighty God we serve Jesus Christ the Son of God is our Savior our Redeemer and he's faithful to his word we can have confidence no matter how dark matter is how uncertain the times are around us he is our rock you