

Sermon Outline

Othniel and Ehud (...and Shamgar)

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Judges 3:7-30

Expect the unexpected

Othniel – the pattern of things to come.

1. Israel did evil.
2. God was angry.
3. They cried out.
4. God hears them and delivers them
5. The Israelites have peace.

→ This is God's work of salvation.

Ehud – the unexpected salvation of God.

- Moab
- The left-handed Benjaminite

→ He deals with our mess, and brings us peace.

The power of sin

- “Again the Israelites did evil in the eyes of the Lord, now that Ehud was dead.” (Judges 4:1)
- “Jews and Gentiles alike are all under the power of sin. As it is written: “There is no one righteous, not even one;” (Romans 3:9-10)
- “for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, and all are justified freely by his grace through the redemption that came by Christ Jesus.” (Romans 3:23-24)