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Judges

Judge	Detail	Oppression	Peace
1. Othniel	Othniel earned the right to marry Caleb's daughter because of his defeat of Kirjath Sepher.	8 Years (Judges 3:8)	40 years (Judges 3:11)
2. Ehud	Ehud was a left-handed Benjamite who personally killed Eglon the fat king of Moab (Judges 3:21-22) He led in the slaying of 10,000 Moabites (3:29).	18 years (Judges 3:14)	80 years (Judges 3:30)
3. Shamgar	He killed 600 Philistines with an oxgoad (Judges 3:31). The "Song of Deborah refers to him saying "in the days of Shamgar ben Anath" (Judges 5:6).	Unknown	Unknown
4. Deborah	Deborah, Israel's only female judge, was prophetess and judge. She was the wife of Lappidoth (Judges 4:4; 5:7). Deborah led a campaign, which defeated Canaanites at the Battle of Kishon on Mt Tabor (4:13-16).	20 years (Judges 4:3)	40 years (Judges 5:31)
5. Gideon	The Angel of the Lord appeared to Gideon (Judges 6:11-18). Gideon destroyed the altar of Baal (Judges 6:25-27) at night because he feared the people. He asked God twice for confirmation (6:36-40) and fought with 300 men (7:2-8) successfully defeating the Midianite army (7:16-25). He made a gold ephod from crescent moon earrings that led the people into idolatry (8:24-27).	7 years (Judges 6:1)	40 years (Judges 8:28)
6. Tola	Little info is given		He judged 23 years (Judges 10:2)
7. Jair	Was very wealthy.		He judged 22 years (Judges 10:3)
8. Jephthah	Jephthah was the son of Gilead by a prostitute (Judges 11:1) and was an outcast. The Elders of Gilead made him their chief. He fought the Ammonites (Judges 11:26) and	18 years (Judges 10:8)	He judged Israel 6 years (Judges 12:7)

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	conquered 20 cities (Judges 11:32,33). He made a hasty vow that may have cost him the life of his daughter and family line (Judges 11:31-40). He defeated the tribe of Ephraim (12:1-16) by listening to their dialect, who had been offended because they had not been asked to join in the battle against the Ammorites.		
9. Iban	Iban was a socially prominent man who had 30 sons and 30 daughters for whom he arranged marriages.		Judged 7 years (Judges 12:9)
10. Elon	Little is known		Judged 10 years (Judges 12:12)
11. Abdon	Wealthy man with 40 sons and 30 grandsons (Judges 12:14).		Judged 8 years (Judges 12:14)
12. Samson	The angel of the Lord announced Samson's birth to his mother. He was consecrated as a Nazarite from birth (Judges 13:5). A man of great physical strength, he killed a lion bear-handed (Judges 14:5,6), 30 Philistines at Ashkelon (14:19), and 1000 men with a donkey jawbone (Judges 15:14-19). He carried off the gates of Gaza (Judges 16:1-3). Samson was conquered by the Philistine girl, Delilah, who cut his hair, the source of his strength. He was blinded (Judges 16:4-22) and at the end of his life pulled down the column in the Temple of Dagon killing himself and 3,000 Philistines (Judges 16:23-31).	40 years (Judges 13:1)	Judged 20 years (Judges 15:20; 16:31)