

## Judges 10

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**10** And after Abimelech there arose to defend Israel Tola the son of Puah, the son of Dodo, a man of Issachar; and he dwelt in Shamir in mount Ephraim. (Approx. 1178 BC ) (defend = deliver, save – they are the same word in Hebrew) (Tola is Judge #6) (mount Ephraim – the hill country of Israel)

<sup>2</sup>And he judged Israel twenty and three years, and died, and was buried in Shamir.

<sup>3</sup>And after him arose Jair, a Gileadite, and judged Israel twenty and two years. (Judge #7) (Jair = enlightened) (Gilead refers to the land that belonged to ½ Manasseh, Reuben and Gad, on the east side of the Jordan)

<sup>4</sup>And he had thirty sons that rode on thirty ass colts, and they had thirty cities, which are called Havothjair unto this day, which are in the land of Gilead. (He was Wealthy) (Havothjair = villages of Jair)

<sup>5</sup>And Jair died, and was buried in Camon. (Approx. 1123 BC; after Jair's death, in comes Idolatry to Baal)

<sup>6</sup>And the children of Israel did evil again in the sight of the LORD, and served Baalim, and Ashtaroth, and the gods of Syria, and the gods of Zidon, and the gods of Moab, and the gods of the children of Ammon, and the gods of the Philistines, and forsook the LORD, and served not him. (evil= THE evil - Idolatry) (gods of Zidon – Baal & Astarte; gods of Moab= Kemosh & Molech, sacrificing their own children by fire; gods of Ammon – Kemosh & Milcom – also similar to Molech and fire sacrifice of their children; gods of Philistines – Dagon, the fish god)

(These politically correct idiots <Israel> defeated those people when they entered the Promised Land; and yet they adopted the fake gods who could not help the people that were defeated, and threw out Yahoveh, who gave them the victory and the country) (Today, this is called multi-culturalism. Look at the rise of islam – rape of women and children, killing Christians, lands rife with poverty and murder, etc... They are taken in by politically correct western countries whose citizens are now being victimized by these Mohammedans and their false god)

<sup>7</sup> And the anger of the LORD was hot against Israel, and he sold them into the hands of the Philistines, and into the hands of the children of Ammon. (Philistines on the West; Ammon on the East; they are surrounded) (Israel got what they deserved; forsaking God after all that HE had done for them)

<sup>8</sup> And that year they vexed and oppressed the children of Israel: eighteen years, all the children of Israel that were on the other side Jordan in the land of the Amorites, which is in Gilead. (East side of the Jordan)

<sup>9</sup> Moreover the children of Ammon passed over Jordan to fight also against Judah, and against Benjamin, and against the house of Ephraim; so that Israel was sore distressed. (The 12 tribes were autonomous at this time; Israel was divided)

<sup>10</sup> And the children of Israel cried unto the LORD, saying, We have sinned against thee, both because we have forsaken our God, and also served Baalim. (They only care about God when they are oppressed. After God saves them, they turn back to the Canaanites and their false gods)

<sup>11</sup> And the LORD said unto the children of Israel, Did not I deliver you from the Egyptians, and from the Amorites, from the children of Ammon, and from the Philistines? (Yes He did)

<sup>12</sup> The Zidonians also, and the Amalekites, and the Maonites, did oppress you; and ye cried to me, and I delivered you out of their hand. (Maonites may be a combo of Moab and Ammon, both descended from Lot; Amalek was the grandson of Esau - Edomites)

<sup>13</sup> Yet ye have forsaken me, and served other gods: wherefore I will deliver you no more.

<sup>14</sup> Go and cry unto the gods which ye have chosen; let them deliver you in the time of your tribulation. (God has had enough of these fools)

(This is a message to those who think that they can continually sin over and over and that God will just forgive them. Don't ever think that you can fool God. Repentance means to ask for forgiveness, and then to try your best to never repeat those sins again. Forgiveness is not a license to go back and sin again)

<sup>15</sup> And the children of Israel said unto the LORD, We have sinned: do thou unto us whatsoever seemeth good unto thee; deliver us only, we pray thee, this day.

<sup>16</sup> And they put away the strange gods from among them, and served the LORD: and his soul was grieved for the misery of Israel. (HE had pity on them – again, because they are trying to do things right)

<sup>17</sup> Then the children of Ammon were gathered together, and encamped in Gilead. And the children of Israel assembled themselves together, and encamped in Mizpeh. (Preparing for war)

<sup>18</sup> And the people and princes of Gilead said one to another, What man is he that will begin to fight against the children of Ammon? he shall be head over all the inhabitants of Gilead. (The tribes on the east side of Jordan)