

Judges God used...

- Othniel – the poster child judge.
- Ehud – The unsuspected judge.
- Shamgar – Killed 600 Philistines with an oxgoad.
- Deborah – A judge with wisdom and character.

The Story of Deborah

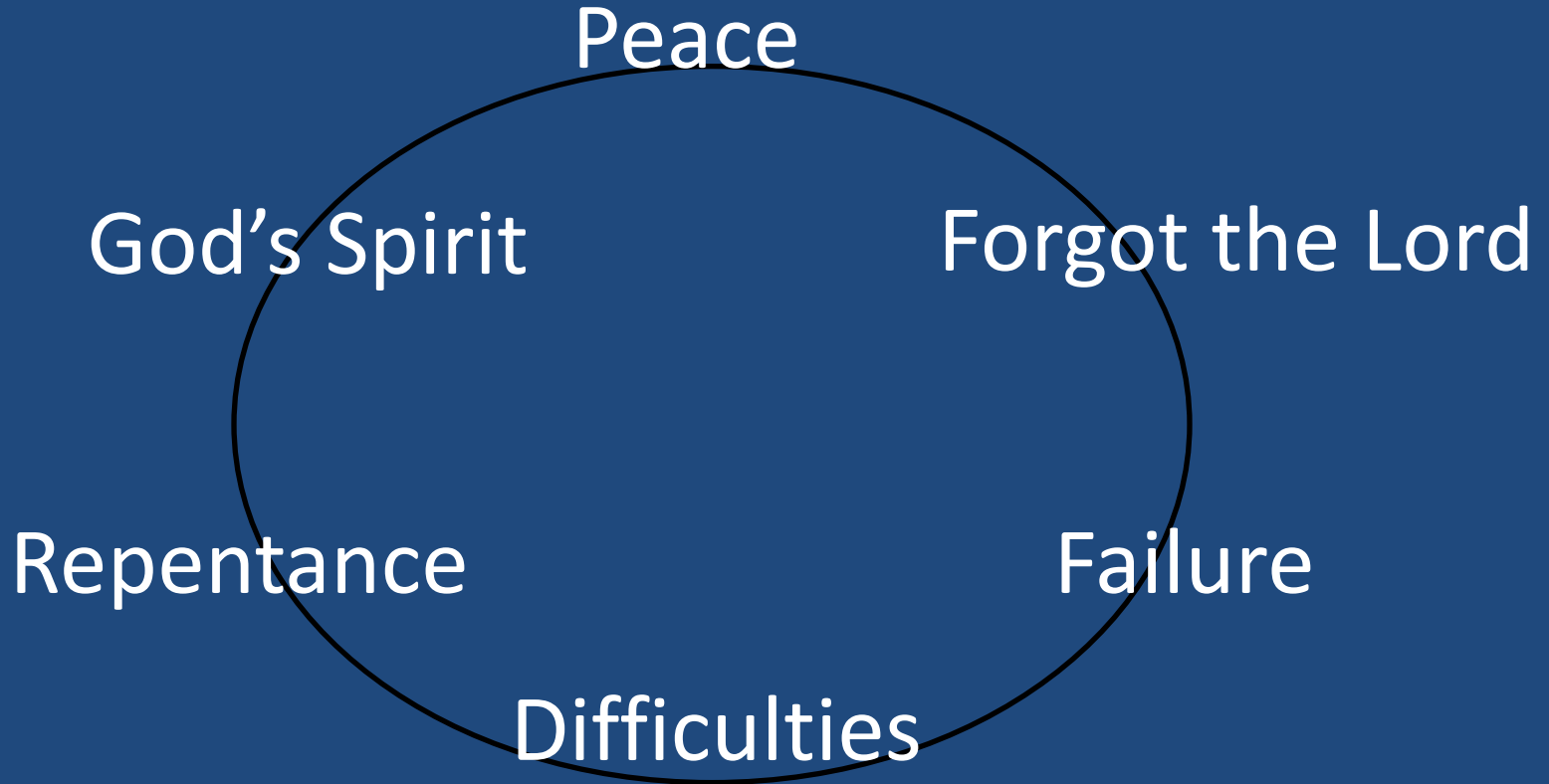
- The paralysis that comes with fear (lack of faith).
- The power of faith in action.
- How faith releases the power of God.

Men & Women

“Judges is simply telling a story, you don’t form doctrinal positions from a story” - Tim Keller

- Traditional view: Men are called to leadership, when they fail, God uses women.
- Progressive view: Women can do anything a man can do, they are equal.
- Complementarian view: The strengths of men and women complement each other to accomplish God’s work.

Faithfulness Cycle



Faith Moves God into Action

- Faith is necessary for our salvation
- Faith is necessary in our life as a disciple of Jesus.
 - Fear (lack of faith) brings paralysis.

How Faith is Stirred...

- When someone stands up.
- By building up, not tearing down.
- By communicating the voice of God.

Judges 4:6(NIV) ...“The LORD, the God of Israel, commands you:
'Go...

- Humility, not honor seeking.