



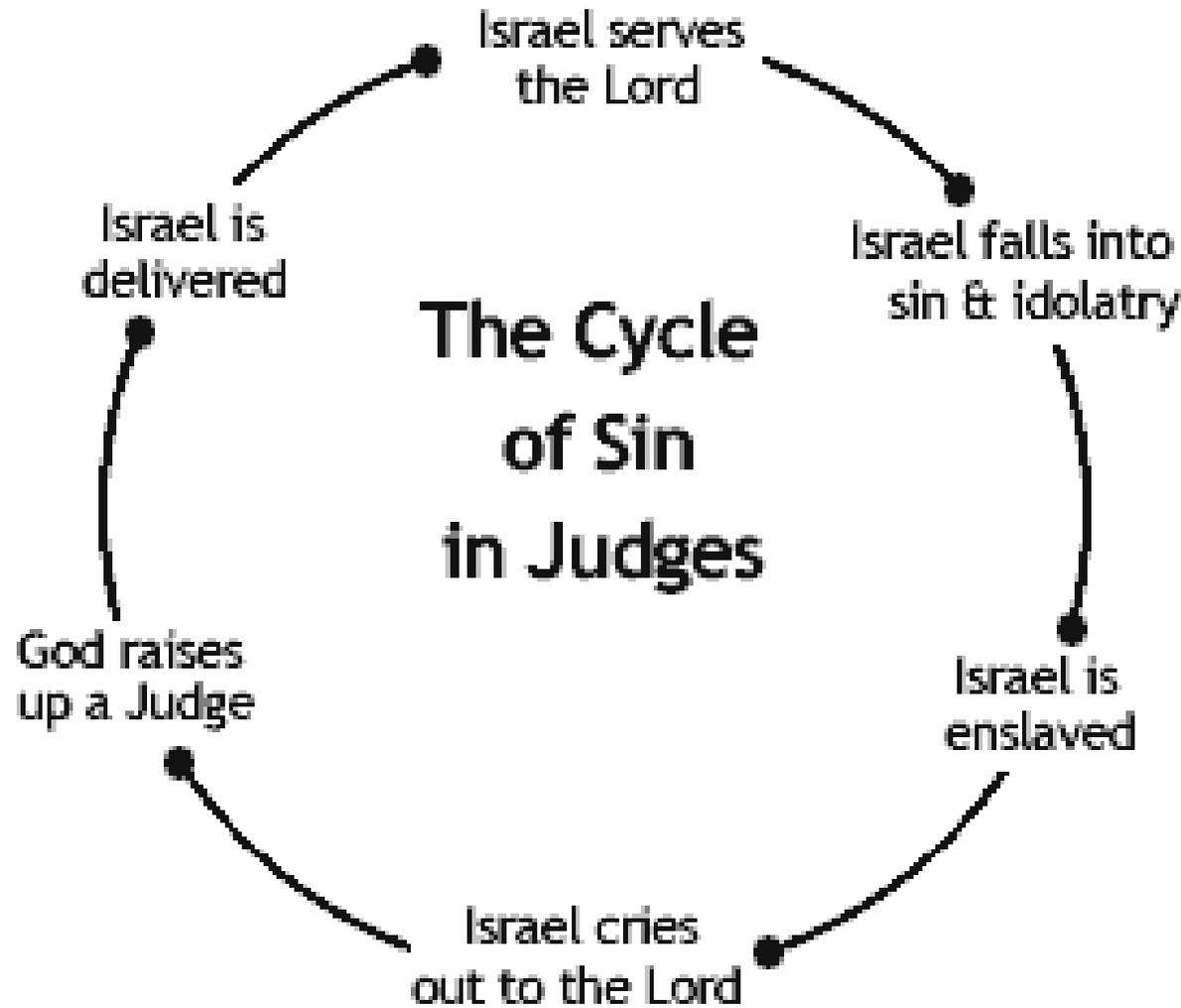
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From Ordinary to Extraordinary

Judges 6:1, 7-24

◆ In those days Israel had no king. Each man did what he considered to be right. (21:25)

The Cycle of Sin in Judges



◆ The LORD Sees Potential in Every Person







◆ My clan is the weakest in Manasseh, and I am the least in my family. (v. 15)

◆ “Pardon me, my lord,” Gideon replied, “but if the LORD is with us, why has all this happened to us? Where are all his wonders that our ancestors told us about when they said, ‘Did not the LORD bring us up out of Egypt?’ But now the LORD has abandoned us and given us into the hand of Midian.” (v. 13)

◆ The LORD does not look at the things man looks at. Man looks at the outward appearance, but the LORD looks at the heart” (1 Samuel 16:7)

◆ But God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise; God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong; God chose what is low and despised in the world — even things that are not — to nullify things that are”, so that no human being might boast in the presence of God (1 Corinthians 1:27-29).

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◆Go in the strength you have and save Israel out of Midian's hand. Am I not sending you?" (v. 14)

◆I will be with you, and you will strike down all the Midianites together" (v. 16).

◆ If now I have found favor in your eyes, give me a sign that it is really you talking to me. (v. 17a)

◆ God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, so that the man of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work”

(2 Timothy 3:16, 17)

◆ Please do not go away until I come back and bring my offering and set it before you. (v. 18)

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3. Do you think you're too weak, too young or old, or too limited in some way to be effective?

1. You are created in the image of God
(Genesis 1:27).

2. You are redeemed in Christ and beloved
children of God (Romans 1:27).

3. The Holy Spirit fills and equips you for what
He has called you to do (Eph. 2:10)

