

God gave Israel leaders to help them live his way.
Judges were wise warriors. Kings were anointed
rulers. Sadly, Israel kept forgetting God and turning
to idols during this period.

LEADERS

1200-900 BC

God's people get stuck



JUDGE GIDEON

12. Judge Gideon

Judges 6-8



- Israel forgets God.
- Enemies defeat them.
- They cry out for help.
- God sends a judge to deliver them.
- Israel forgets God.
- And repeat...



Joining God's family



RUTH

13. Ruth

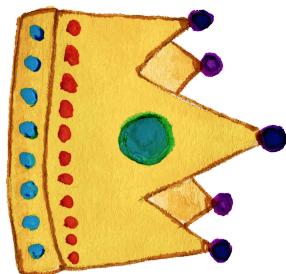
Ruth 1-4



- Ruth was not an Israelite.
- She travelled to Bethlehem with Naomi
- Became part of God's family
- Married Boaz & had a son
- Great grandmother to King David



A heart for God



KING DAVID

14. King David

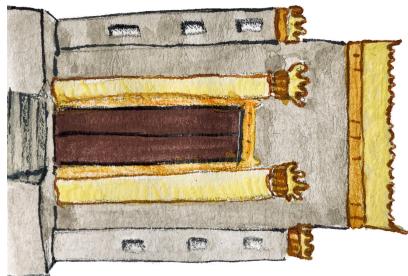
Samuel 16 – 2 Samuel 24



- 1000BC
- David anointed by Samuel.
- Kills Goliath.
- Appointed King
- Establishes Jerusalem.
- Makes some bad choices
- Writes poems (Psalms)

Reigns over Israel for 40 years

A home for God



SOLOMON'S TEMPLE

15. Solomon's temple

Kings 5-9



- David planned the temple
- For 7 years Solomon built it
- 4 stories high, 90 feet long
- Ark of covenant kept in the holy of holies
- God arrived in a cloud & lived there among his people

