# **Bible 101**

### Lesson 39 - Jephthah

#### **Judges 11**

#### **Judges 11:1-10**

- 1. Who was Jephthah, and why was he forced to leave his father's house?
- 2. What situation led the elders of Gilead to seek out Jephthah for help, and what did they request of him?
- 3. What condition did Jephthah set before agreeing to lead the fight against the Ammonites, and how did the elders of Gilead respond?

### Judges 11:11-18

- 1. What position did Jephthah assume after his agreement with the elders of Gilead, and where did he present his case before the Lord?
- 2. What historical account does Jephthah recount in his message to the king of the Ammonites regarding Israel's journey and interactions with other nations during their exodus from Egypt?

#### **Judges 11:19-28**

- 1. What request did Israel make to Sihon, king of the Amorites, and what was Sihon's response?
- 2. According to Jephthah, how did Israel come to possess the land of the Amorites, including the cities Heshbon and Aroer?

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3. How does Jephthah argue against the Ammonite claim to the land, and what does he conclude about the legitimacy of Israel's possession of it?

#### Judges 11:29-40

- 1. What vow did Jephthah make to the Lord before going into battle against the Ammonites?
- 2. What was the outcome of the battle between Jephthah and the Ammonites?
- 3. Who was the first to come out of Jephthah's house to meet him upon his return, fulfilling his vow?
- 4. What was Jephthah's reaction to seeing his daughter, and how did his daughter respond to the situation?
- 5. What does Jephthah's story teach us about the dangers of vows?