

The Prayer Life Of . . .

JEPHTHAH

JUDGES 11:1-11, 29-40

1. How do Jephthah's brothers treat him and how does Jephthah respond to the elders of Gilead in their time of need?

2. Do you see any similarities or differences in how God interacts with Israel during the time of the judges?

3. What is offered to Jephthah for fighting the Ammonites, and how is it validated?

4. Is there significance in the Spirit of the Lord coming upon Jephthah before he makes his vow?

5. Does the wording of the vow indicate any expectation of the object of sacrifice?

6. What does Jephthah's daughter's response indicate about her?

7. Did Jephthah kill his daughter? Why do you think so?

8. Jephthah is listed in Hebrews 11 in the "faith hall of fame". Why do you think he is mentioned there?

9. Do we make promises in our prayers? If so, are we as adamant in fulfilling them?

10. What do you think about placing conditionals in prayer? Do we have any authority to barter obedience for blessings?