**An Ideal Leader, Pt. 2**

*Judges 3: 12 - 31*

1.  Notice the irony between 1) strengthen in v. 13 and strong in 1: 28 and Joshua 1: 9.  2) defeated in v. 13 with who is doing the defeating in chapter 1, 3) possess in v. 13 with did not drive out in 1: 28 - 32 (same verb).  As a result of Israel's sin, they suffered slavery to a foreign nation.  In what areas today do most people in your culture or subculture (eg., college students) need to grow in sanctification?  How do you think growing in your relationship with God makes you a more effective leader?

2.  How does the narrator portray Ehud's cunning, creativity, and courage in vv. 18 - 26?  Look at Romans 12: 1 - 3.  What are some lies that can frequently fill your mind or other people like yourself?  What are some good strategies to reclaiming the land of your mind?  What are some areas that you would like to step out in faith more through initiative and courage?

3.  How does Ehud call others to action (vv. 27 - 30)?    How can you help others to reclaim their thoughts with truth rather than lies?  How can you think through current events with others through a biblical lens?  Are there other areas that you believe God has used you or want to use you to call others to exercise their faith?

4.  What are the unconventional aspects of Shamgar's judgeship?  What are some anomalies about yourself that you believe God has overcome to effectively use you?