

# The Redemption Stories of Judges

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*From Victor to Vanquished to Victor*



Faith Tested  
Faith Strengthened

Judges 6:28-40



**“But the Spirit of the LORD came upon Gideon; then he blew the trumpet, and the Abiezrites gathered behind him.” - Judges 6:34**

**Call to the Word**

*“The Spirit of the LORD clothed Gideon.” (AMP)*

**“Courage is not the absence of fear, but the determination  
to act in spite of fear.” (Swindoll)**

*(Zech 4:6, 2Tim 1:7)*

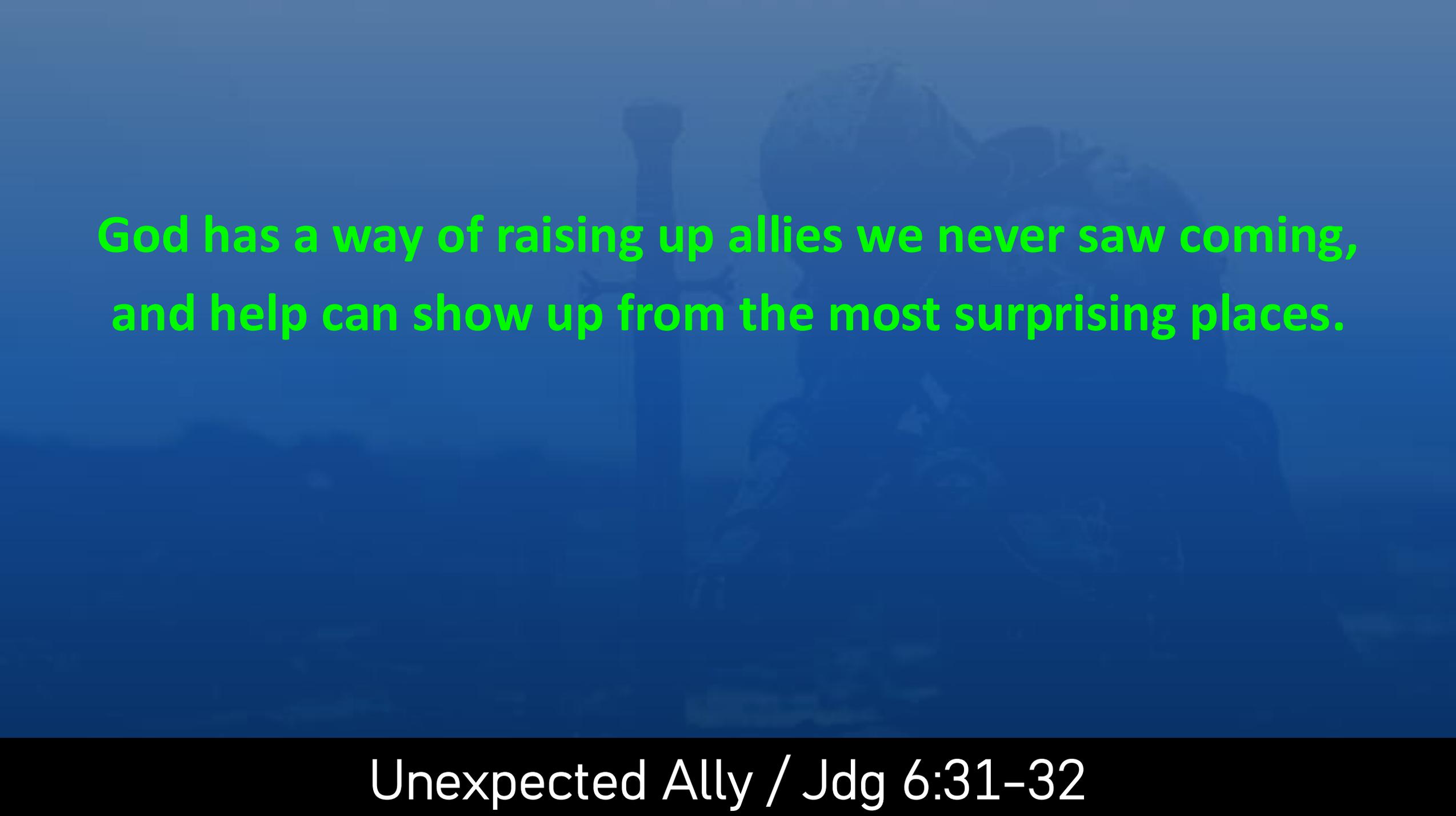
Public Obedience / Jdg 6:25–27

*"Bring out your son, that he may die..."*

*"When you obey God, you challenge the status quo; don't be surprised when the world pushes back." (Wiersbe)*

**John 15:18–20**

Public Backlash / Jdg 6:28–30



God has a way of raising up allies we never saw coming,  
and help can show up from the most surprising places.

Unexpected Ally / Jdg 6:31-32

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**‘Labash’** - slipping on a suit of armor

**Zech 4:6, Acts 4:8-13, Eph 6:10-11**

*Courage isn't the absence of fear — it's the presence of the Spirit.*

Spirit Empowered Courage / Jdg 6:33-35

Gideon had God's Promise but wanted confirmation – God graciously accommodated.

Ps 103:13-14

**As a father pities *his* children, So the LORD pities those who fear Him. For He knows our frame; He remembers that we *are dust***

Patience with a Hesitant Heart / Jdg 6:36-40

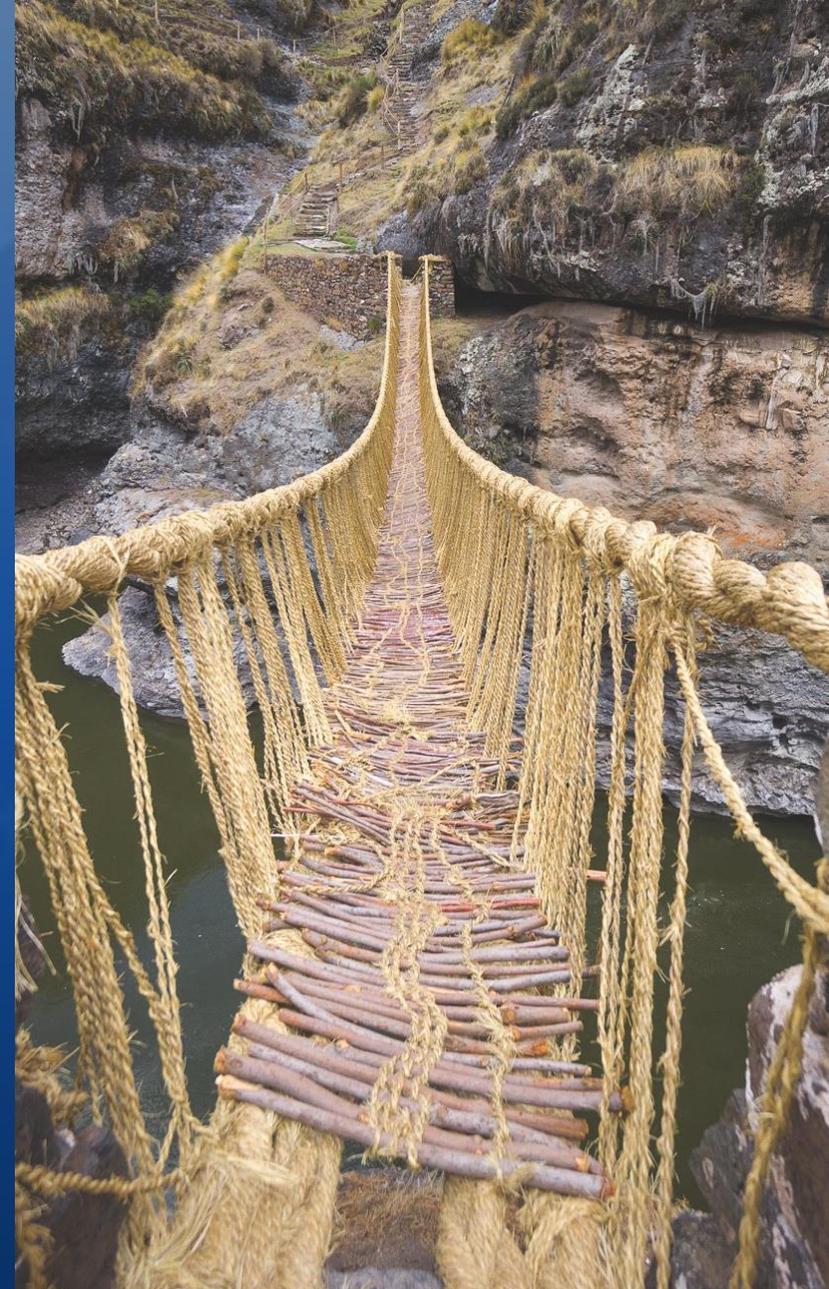
**It's descriptive, not prescriptive.**

**“fleece testing” isn't meant to be our model for everyday decision-making.**

**Don't ever swap courageous, godly decision-making for the folly of the fleece. We walk by faith, not by fleeces**

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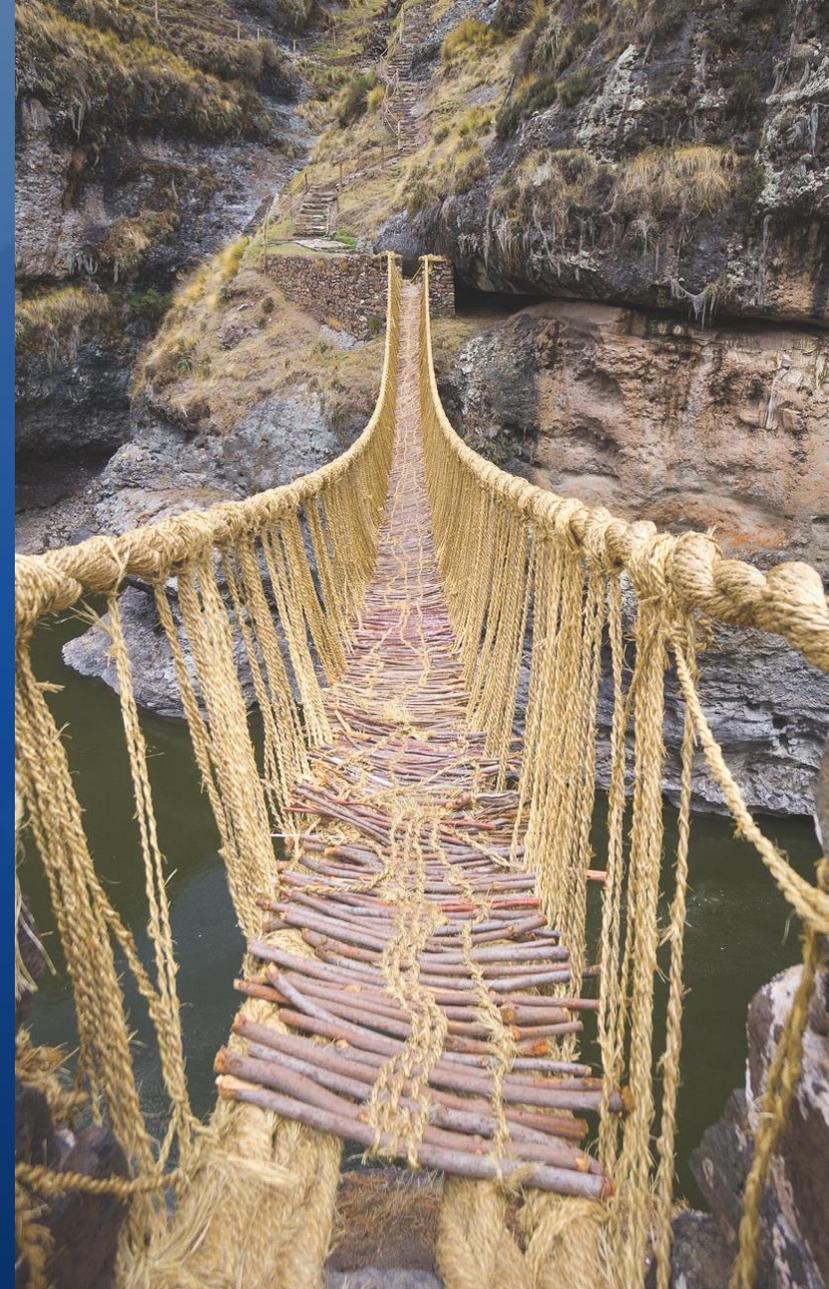
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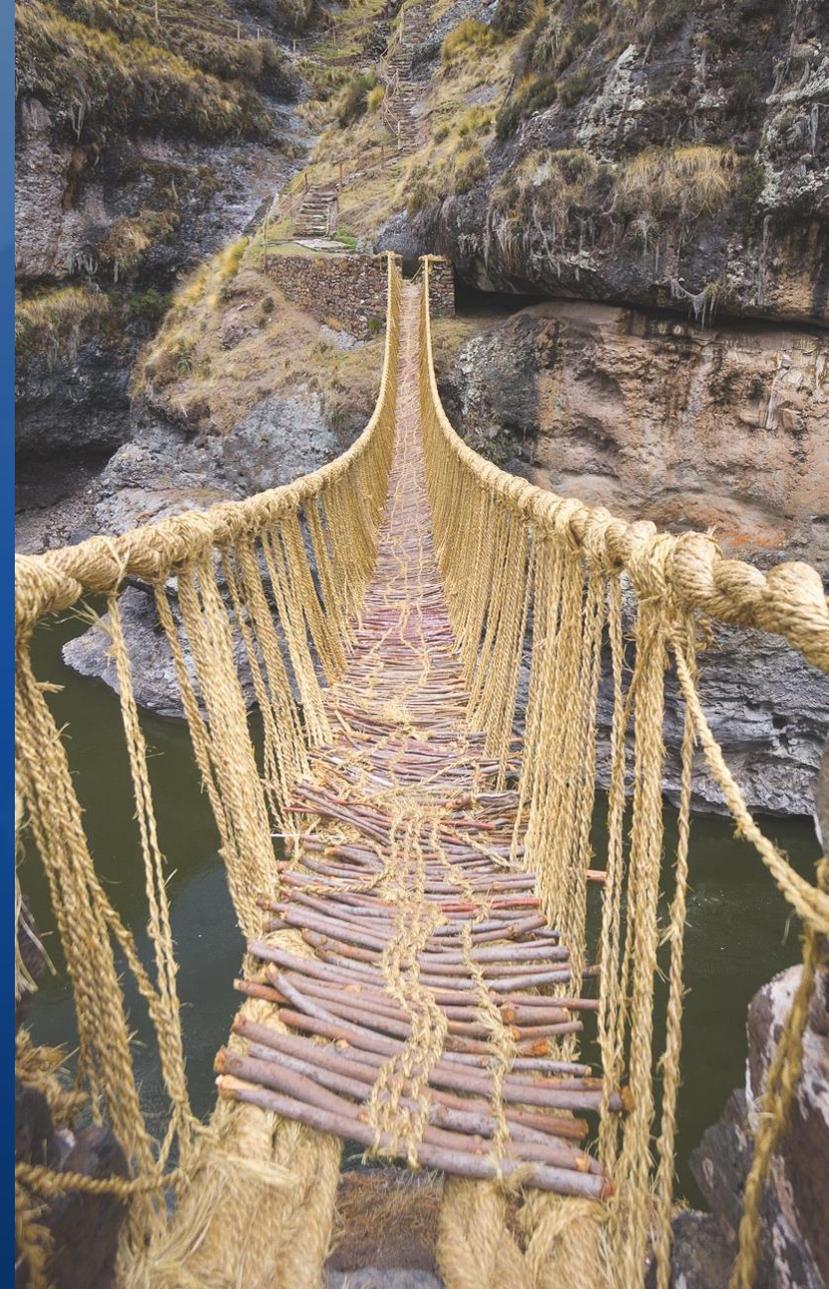


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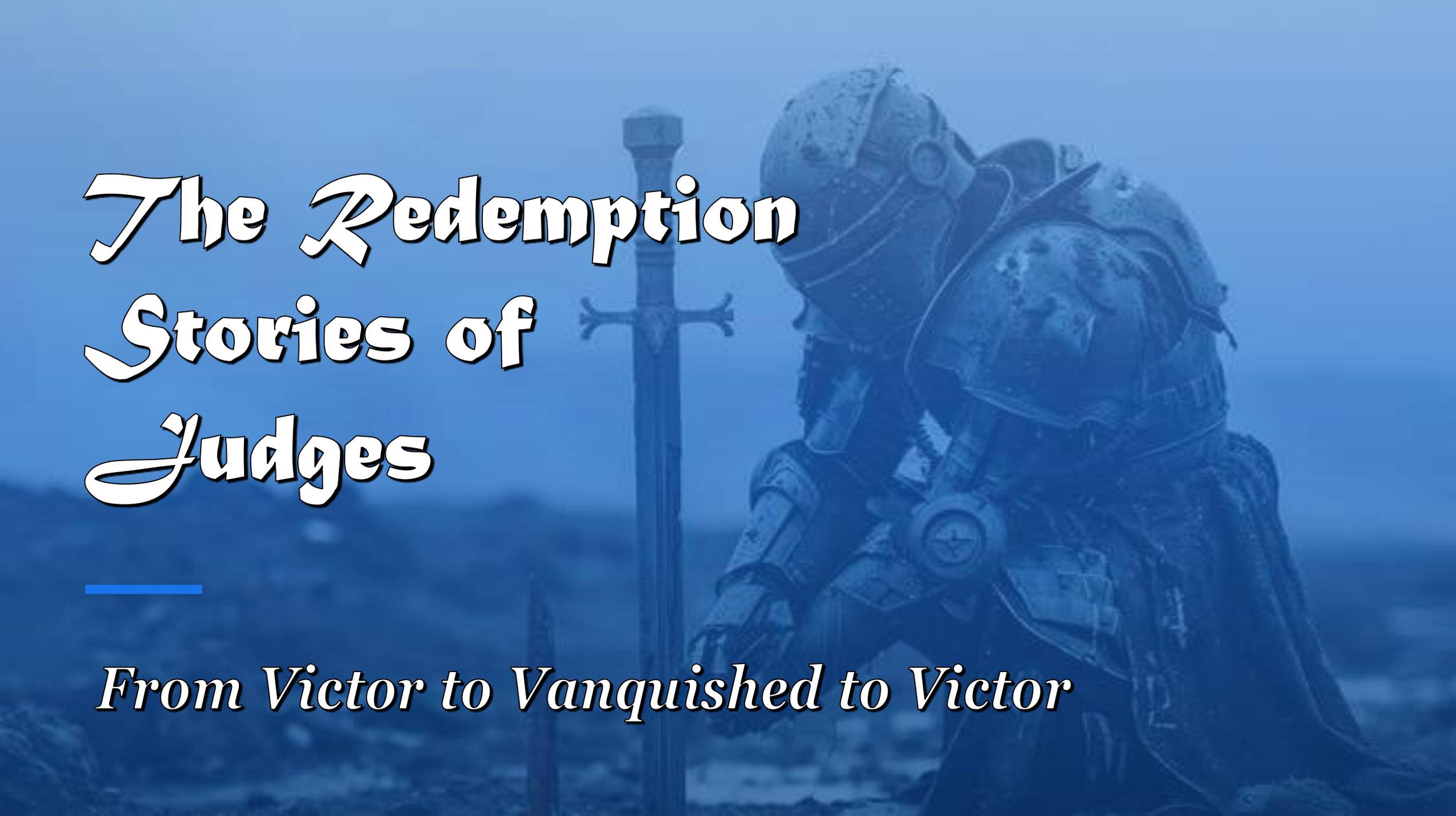
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**When your knees shake, trust the Builder—He's patient to grow your faith with every plank you pass.**



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