

Echoes of Judges in 1 Samuel 11

CHARACTER/PLACE/THEME	IN 1 SAM 11	IN JUDGES
Ammonites	11.1	10.6-11: YHWH sends Ammonites to oppress Israelites in Gilead for worshipping the gods of the peoples of the land 11.4-12.3: Ammonites make war on Israel; elders of Gilead bring Jephthah to fight for them
Jabesh-gilead	11.1	21.8-14: 400 virgins of J-G are given as wives to the men of Benjamin after conducting a <i>charem</i> [holy war] on J-G
Spirit of God rushed	11.6	3.10: on Othniel, Caleb's younger brother 6.34: Gideon 11.29: Jephthah (to battle Ammonites) 13.25; 14.6, 19; 15.14: Samson
Body cut up and sent throughout Israel to muster troops; "...and they came out as one."	11.7-8	19.29: the body of the raped woman; and "all the Israelites came out...and assembled in one body before YHWH at Mizpah."
Bezek	11.8	1.4-7: Judah defeats Canaanites and Perizzites there, and their king's thumbs and big toes are cut off
"Whatever seems good to you"	11.10	21.25: final word in Judges
Three "companies" [Heb, <i>ra'shim</i> , "heads"] at morning "watch" [Heb, <i>'ashmoreth</i>]	11.11	7.19-20: Gideon leads three "companies" [Heb, <i>ra'shim</i> , "heads"] at middle "watch" [Heb, <i>'ashmoreth</i>]
Question of Saul's "reign over us"	11.12	9.8: Jotham's parable against making Abimelech king
"Give them to us so that we may put them to death."	11.12	20.13: "...hand over those scoundrels in Gibeah, so that we may put them to death, and purge the evil from Israel."
Saul gives YHWH credit for "deliverance" [Heb, <i>teshu`ah</i>]	11.13	15.18: Samson's victory at Ramath-lehi.