

“Lefty Savior”

Takeaway Truth

*What keeps us from God is not the left hand of our weakness,
but the right hand of our strength.*

Text Walkthrough

Judges 3:12-23 (ESV)

12 And the people of Israel again did what was evil in the sight of the Lord, and the Lord strengthened Eglon the king of Moab against Israel, because they had done what was evil in the sight of the Lord. **13** He gathered to himself the Ammonites and the Amalekites, and went and defeated Israel. And they took possession of the city of palms. **14** And the people of Israel served Eglon the king of Moab eighteen years.

15 Then the people of Israel cried out to the Lord, and the Lord raised up for them a deliverer, Ehud, the son of Gera, the Benjaminite, a left-handed man. The people of Israel sent tribute by him to Eglon the king of Moab. **16** And Ehud made for himself a sword with two edges, a cubit[a] in length, and he bound it on his right thigh under his clothes. **17** And he presented the tribute to Eglon king of Moab. Now Eglon was a very fat man. **18** And when Ehud had finished presenting the tribute, he sent away the people who carried the tribute. **19** But he himself turned back at the idols near Gilgal and said, “I have a secret message for you, O king.” And he commanded, “Silence.” And all his attendants went out from his presence. **20** And Ehud came to him as he was sitting alone in his cool roof chamber. And Ehud said, “I have a message from God for you.” And he arose from his seat. **21** And Ehud reached with his left hand, took the sword from his right thigh, and thrust it into his belly. **22** And the hilt also went in after the blade, and the fat closed over the blade, for he did not pull the sword out of his belly; and the dung came out. **23** Then Ehud went out into the porch and closed the doors of the roof chamber behind him and locked them.

1. The Enemy is _____ (vs. 1-14)
 - A. We are in need of constant _____ in the gospel
 - B. Cycle: Sin – Slavery – Supplication – Salvation
 - C. To teach you how to fight the fight of _____
2. The Lefty Savior (vs. 15-30)
 - A. A surprising choice
 - B. Availability is more important than _____
 - C. Remember God’s promise of grace
3. Jesus Came in _____
4. God Saves Through the Weakness of Faith

Answers: Sin, Renewal, Faith, Ability, Weakness