

Massacre of Benjamin (Judges 20:12-48)

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INTRODUCTION

BENJAMIN REJECTS THE VERDICT (20:12-13)

MUSTERING OF TROOPS (20:14-18)

Benjamin Musters its Troops (20:14-17)

Israel Gathered at Bethel to Inquire of the LORD (20:18)

Beth-el means House of God, but the tabernacle (House of God) is called *beth ha-elohim*

The tabernacle is not merely called:

beth el

Thus, this refers to the town of Bethel, not to Shiloh, where the tabernacle then was.

BENJAMIN'S VICTORIES (20:19-28)

First Victory at Gibeah (20:19-23)

Second Victory at Gibeah (20:24-25)

Israel Inquires of the LORD (20:26-28)

ISRAEL'S VICTORIES (20:29-46)

Third Battle of Gibeah (20:29-35)

The Aftermath of the Third Battle of Gibeah (20:36-46)

SIX HUNDRED BENJAMITES FLEE, BUT THE REST OF THE TRIBE IS ANNIHILATED (20:47-48)

CONCLUSION