

## Judges 2:20 – 3:7

God Tests Israel

### What does it mean “to test”?

The verb is *nasah* (Heb. נָסָה). It appears three times in this section.

2:22 -

3:1 -

3:4 -

A test is a diagnostic procedure or critical examination with the aim of finding out the nature, quality, or value of something.

Some other uses of this same word:

- Gen 22:1, 12 (cf. Heb 11:17)
- Ex 16:4
- Deut 8:2
- 2 Chr 32:31

### How was this testing done? (2:23)

### What did God desire to learn from this testing? (2:22; 3:4)

### What was the result? (3:5-7)

### What is the purpose of the statement about teaching Israel war? (3:1b-2)

### Does God test us?

James 1:2-3

James 1:12

1 Peter 1:6-7

1 Peter 4:12-13

Rev 2:10

1 Cor 13:5-6

Testing on the human level is \_\_\_\_\_.

- **Obedience:**
- **Endurance:**

### Food for Thought

- Testing reveals who we really are; if our faith is insincere, testing will show it.
- Unlike inanimate objects, testing can be \_\_\_\_\_ for us.
- Am I \_\_\_\_\_, and do I \_\_\_\_\_?