Judges 20

Englische King James Version von 1611/1769 mit Strongs



1 Then all the children^{H1121} of Israel^{H3478} went out^{H3318}, and the congregation^{H5712} was gathered together^{H6950} as one^{H259} man^{H376}, from Dan^{H1835} even to Beersheba^{H884}, with the land^{H776} of Gilead^{H1568}, unto the LORD^{H3068} in Mizpeh^{H4709}. 2 And the chief^{H6438} of all the people^{H5971}, even of all the tribes^{H7626} of Israel^{H3478}, presented^{H3320} themselves in the assembly^{H6951} of the people^{H5971} of God^{H430}, four^{H702} hundred^{H3967} thousand^{H505} footmen^{H376 H7273} that drew^{H8025} sword^{H2719}. **3** (Now the children^{H1121} of Benjamin^{H1144} heard^{H8085} that the children^{H1121} of Israel^{H3478} were gone up^{H5927} to Mizpeh^{H4709}.) Then said^{H559} the children^{H1121} of Israel^{H3478}, Tell^{H1696} us, how was^{H1961} this wickedness^{H7451}? **4** And the Levite^{H3881 H376}, the husband^{H376} of the woman^{H802} that was slain^{H7523}, answered^{H6030} and said^{H559}, I came^{H935} into Gibeah^{H1390} that belongeth to Benjamin^{H1144}, I and my concubine^{H6370}, to lodge^{H3885.1} 5 And the men^{H1167} of Gibeah^{H1390} rose^{H6965} against me, and beset^{H5437} the house^{H1004} round about^{H5437} upon me by night^{H3915}, and thought^{H1819} to have slain^{H2026} me: and my concubine^{H6370} have they forced^{H6031}, that she is dead^{H4191,2} 6 And I took^{H270} my concubine^{H6370}, and cut her in pieces^{H5408}, and sent^{H7971} her throughout all the country^{H7704} of the inheritance^{H5159} of Israel^{H3478}: for they have committed^{H6213} lewdness^{H2154} and folly^{H5039} in Israel^{H3478}. 7 Behold, ye are all children^{H1121} of Israel^{H3478}; give^{H3051} here^{H1988} your advice^{H1697} and counsel^{H6098}. 8 And all the people^{H5971} arose^{H6965} as one^{H259} man^{H376}, saying^{H559}, We will not any^{H376} of us go^{H3212} to his tent^{H168}, neither will we any^{H376} of us turn^{H5493} into his house^{H1004}. 9 But now this shall be the thing^{H1697} which we will do^{H6213} to Gibeah^{H1390}; we will go up by lot^{H1486} against it; **10** And we will take^{H3947} ten^{H6235} men^{H582} of an hundred^{H3967} throughout all the tribes^{H7626} of Israel^{H3478}, and an hundred^{H3967} of a thousand^{H505}, and a thousand^{H505} out of ten thousand^{H7233}, to fetch^{H3947} victual^{H6720} for the people^{H5971}, that they may do^{H6213}, when they come^{H935} to Gibeah^{H1387} of Benjamin^{H1144}, according to all the folly^{H5039} that they have wrought^{H6213} in Israel^{H3478}. **11** So all the men^{H376} of Israel^{H3478} were gathered^{H622} against the city^{H5892}, knit together^{H2270} as one^{H259} man^{H376.3}

12 And the tribes^{H7626} of Israel^{H3478} sent^{H7971} men^{H582} through all the tribe^{H7626} of Benjamin^{H1144}, saying^{H559}, What wickedness^{H7451} is this that is done^{H1961} among you? **13** Now therefore deliver^{H5414} us the men^{H582}, the children^{H1121} of Belial^{H1100}, which are in Gibeah^{H1390}, that we may put them to death^{H4191}, and put away^{H1197} evil^{H7451} from Israel^{H3478}. But the children^{H1121} of Benjamin^{H1144} would^{H14} not hearken^{H8085} to the voice^{H6963} of their brethren^{H251} the children^{H1121} of Israel^{H3478}. **14** But the children^{H1121} of Benjamin^{H1144} gathered themselves together^{H622} out of the cities^{H5892} unto Gibeah^{H1390}, to go out^{H3318} to battle^{H4421} against the children^{H1121} of Israel^{H3478}. **15** And the children^{H1121} of Benjamin^{H1144} were numbered^{H6485} at that time^{H3117} out of the cities^{H5892} twenty^{H6242} and six^{H8337} thousand^{H505} men^{H376} that drew^{H8025} sword^{H2719}, beside the inhabitants^{H3427} of Gibeah^{H1390}, which were numbered^{H6485} seven^{H7651} hundred^{H3967} chosen^{H977} men^{H376}. **16** Among all this people^{H5971} there were seven^{H7651} hundred^{H3967} chosen^{H977} men^{H376} that men^{H376} of Israel^{H3478}, beside Benjamin^{H1144}, were numbered^{H6485} four^{H702} hundred^{H3967} thousand^{H505} men^{H376} that drew^{H8025} sword^{H2719}. all these were men^{H376} of war^{H4421}.

18 And the children^{H1121} of Israel^{H3478} arose^{H6965}, and went up^{H5927} to the house^{H1004} of God^{H430 H1008}, and asked^{H7592} counsel of God^{H430}, and said^{H559}, Which^{H4310} of us shall go up^{H5927} first^{H8462} to the battle^{H4421} against the children^{H1121} of Benjamin^{H1144}? And the LORD^{H3068} said^{H559}, Judah^{H3063} shall go up first^{H8462}. **19** And the children^{H1121} of Israel^{H3478} rose up^{H6965} in the morning^{H1242}, and encamped^{H2583} against Gibeah^{H1390}. **20** And the men^{H376} of Israel^{H3478} went out^{H3318} to battle^{H4421} against Benjamin^{H1144}; and the men^{H376} of Israel^{H3478} put themselves in array^{H6186} to fight^{H4421} against them at Gibeah^{H1390}. **21** And the children^{H1121} of Benjamin^{H1144} came forth^{H3318} out of Gibeah^{H1390}, and destroyed down^{H7843} to the ground^{H776} of the Israelites^{H3478} that day^{H3117} twenty^{H6242} and two^{H8147} thousand^{H505} men^{H376}. **22** And the people^{H5971} the men^{H376} of Israel^{H3478} encouraged^{H2388} themselves, and set their battle^{H4421}

again^{H3254} in array^{H6186} in the place^{H4725} where they put themselves in array^{H6186} the first^{H7223} day^{H3117}. **23** (And the children^{H1121} of Israel^{H3478} went up^{H5927} and wept^{H1058} before^{H6440} the LORD^{H3068} until even^{H6153}, and asked^{H7592} counsel of the LORD^{H3068}, saying^{H559}, Shall I go up^{H5066} again^{H3254} to battle^{H4421} against the children^{H1121} of Benjamin^{H1144} my brother^{H251}? And the LORD^{H3068} said^{H559}, Go up^{H5927} against him.) **24** And the children^{H1121} of Israel^{H3478} came near^{H7126} against the children^{H1121} of Benjamin^{H1144} the second^{H8145} day^{H3117}. **25** And Benjamin^{H1144} went forth^{H3318} against^{H7125} them out of Gibeah^{H1390} the second^{H8145} day^{H3117}, and destroyed down^{H7843} to the ground^{H776} of the children^{H1121} of Israel^{H3478} again eighteen^{H8083 H6240} thousand^{H505} men^{H376}; all these drew^{H8025} the sword^{H2719}.

26 Then all the children^{H1121} of Israel^{H3478}, and all the people^{H5971}, went up^{H5927}, and came^{H935} unto the house^{H1004} of God^{H430 H1008}, and wept^{H1058}, and sat^{H3427} there before^{H6440} the LORD^{H3068}, and fasted^{H6684} that day^{H3117} until even^{H6153}, and offered^{H5927} burnt offerings^{H5930} and peace offerings^{H8002} before^{H6440} the LORD^{H3068}. 27 And the children^{H1121} of Israel^{H3478} enquired^{H7592} of the LORD^{H3068}, (for the ark^{H727} of the covenant^{H1285} of God^{H430} was there in those days^{H3117}, **28** And Phinehas^{H6372}, the son^{H1121} of Eleazar^{H499}, the son^{H1121} of Aaron^{H175}, stood^{H5975} before^{H6440} it in those days^{H3117},) saying^{H559}, Shall I yet again^{H3254} go out^{H3318} to battle^{H4421} against the children^{H1121} of Benjamin^{H1144} my brother^{H251}, or shall I cease^{H2308}? And the LORD^{H3068} said^{H559}, Go up^{H5927}; for to morrow^{H4279} I will deliver^{H5414} them into thine hand^{H3027}. **29** And Israel^{H3478} set^{H7760} liers in wait^{H693} round about^{H5439} Gibeah^{H1390}. **30** And the children^{H1121} of Israel^{H3478} went up^{H5927} against the children^{H1121} of Benjamin^{H1144} on the third^{H7992} day^{H3117}, and put themselves in array^{H6186} against Gibeah^{H1390}, as at other times^{H6471}. **31** And the children^{H1121} of Benjamin^{H1144} went out^{H3318} against^{H7125} the people^{H5971}, and were drawn away^{H5423} from the city^{H5892}; and they began^{H2490} to smite^{H5221} of the people^{H5971}, and kill^{H2491}, as at other times^{H6471}, in the highways^{H4546}, of which one^{H259} goeth up^{H5927} to the house^{H1004} of God^{H430 H1008}, and the other^{H259} to Gibeah^{H1390} in the field^{H7704}, about thirty^{H7970} men^{H376} of Israel^{H3478}.⁴⁵ **32** And the children^{H1121} of Benjamin^{H1144} said^{H559}, They are smitten down^{H5062} before^{H6440} us, as at the first^{H7223}. But the children^{H1121} of Israel^{H3478} said^{H559}, Let us flee^{H5127}, and draw^{H5423} them from the city^{H5892} unto the highways^{H4546}. 33 And all the men^{H376} of Israel^{H3478} rose up^{H6965} out of their place^{H4725}, and put themselves in array^{H6186} at Baaltamar^{H1193}: and the liers in wait^{H693} of Israel^{H3478} came forth^{H1518} out of their places^{H4725}, even out of the meadows^{H4629} of Gibeah^{H1387}. **34** And there came^{H935} against^{H5048} Gibeah^{H1390} ten^{H6235} thousand^{H505} chosen^{H977} men^{H376} out of all Israe^{H3478}, and the battle^{H4421} was sore^{H3513}: but they knew^{H3045} not that evil^{H7451} was near^{H5060} them. 35 And the LORD^{H3068} smote^{H5062} Benjamin^{H1144} before^{H6440} Israel^{H3478} and the children^{H1121} of Israel^{H3478} destroyed^{H7843} of the Benjamites^{H1145} that day^{H3117} twenty^{H6242} and five^{H2568} thousand^{H505} and an hundred^{H3967} men^{H376}: all these drew^{H8025} the sword^{H2719}. **36** So the children^{H1121} of Benjamin^{H1144} saw^{H7200} that they were smitten^{H5062}: for the men^{H376} of Israel^{H3478} gave^{H5414} place^{H4725} to the Benjamites^{H1145}, because they trusted^{H982} unto the liers in wait^{H693} which they had set^{H7760} beside Gibeah^{H1390}. 37 And the liers in wait^{H693} hasted^{H2363}, and rushed^{H6584} upon Gibeah^{H1390}; and the liers in wait^{H693} drew themselves along^{H4900}, and smote^{H5221} all the city^{H5892} with the edge^{H6310} of the sword^{H2719}.⁶ 38 Now there was an appointed sign^{H4150} between the men^{H376} of Israel^{H3478} and^{H5973} the liers in wait^{H693}, that they should make a great^{H7235} flame^{H4864} with smoke^{H6227} rise up^{H5927} out of the city^{H5892,789} **39** And when the men^{H376} of Israel^{H3478} retired^{H2015} in the battle^{H4421}, Benjamin^{H1144} began^{H2490} to smite^{H5221} and kill^{H2491} of the men^{H376} of Israel^{H3478} about thirty^{H7970} persons^{H376}: for they said^{H559}, Surely^{H5062} they are smitten down^{H5062} before^{H6440} us, as in the first^{H7223} battle^{H4421,10} **40** But when the flame^{H4864} began^{H2490} to arise up^{H5927} out of the city^{H5892} with a pillar^{H5982} of smoke^{H6227}, the Benjamites^{H1145} looked^{H6437} behind^{H310} them, and, behold, the flame^{H3632} of the city^{H5892} ascended up^{H5927} to heaven^{H8064}.¹¹ **41** And when the men^{H376} of Israel^{H3478} turned again^{H2015}, the men^{H376} of Benjamin^{H1144} were amazed^{H926}: for they saw^{H7200} that evil^{H7451} was come^{H5060} upon them.¹² **42** Therefore they turned^{H6437} their backs before^{H6440} the men^{H376} of Israel^{H3478} unto the way^{H1870} of the wilderness^{H4057}; but the battle^{H4421} overtook^{H1692} them; and them which came out of the cities^{H5892} they destroyed^{H7843} in the midst^{H8432} of them. **43** Thus they inclosed^{H3803} the Benjamites^{H1145} round about^{H3803}, and chased^{H7291} them, and trode them down^{H1869} with ease^{H4496} over against^{H5227} Gibeah^{H1390} toward the sunrising^{H4217 H8121}.¹³¹⁴ 44 And there fell^{H5307} of Benjamin^{H1144} eighteen^{H8083 H6240} thousand^{H505} men^{H376}; all these were men^{H582} of valour^{H2428}. **45** And they turned^{H6437} and fled^{H5127} toward the wilderness^{H4057} unto the rock^{H5553} of Rimmon^{H7417}: and they gleaned^{H5953} of them in the highways^{H4546} five^{H2568} thousand^{H505} men^{H376}; and pursued^{H1692} hard after^{H310} them unto Gidom^{H1440}, and slew^{H5221} two thousand^{H505}

men^{H376} of them. **46** So that all which fell^{H5307} that day^{H3117} of Benjamin^{H1144} were twenty^{H6242} and five^{H2568} thousand^{H505} men^{H376} that drew^{H8025} the sword^{H2719}; all these were men^{H582} of valour^{H2428}. **47** But six^{H8337} hundred^{H3967} men^{H376} turned^{H6437} and fled^{H5127} to the wilderness^{H4057} unto the rock^{H5553} Rimmon^{H7417}, and abode^{H3427} in the rock^{H5553} Rimmon^{H7417} four^{H702} months^{H2320}. **48** And the men^{H376} of Israel^{H3478} turned again^{H7725} upon the children^{H1121} of Benjamin^{H1144}, and smote^{H5221} them with the edge^{H6310} of the sword^{H2719}, as well the men^{H4974} of every city^{H5892}, as^{H5704} the beast^{H929}, and all that came to hand^{H4672}: also they set^{H7971} on fire^{H784} all the cities^{H5892} that they came to^{H4672 1516}

Fußnoten

- 1. the Levite: Heb. the man the Levite
- 2. forced: Heb. humbled
- 3. knit...: Heb. fellows
- 4. to smite ...: Heb. to smite of the people wounded as at, etc
- 5. the house ...: or, Bethel
- 6. drew ...: or, made a long sound with the trumpet
- 7. sign: or, time
- 8. and: Heb. with
- 9. flame: Heb. elevation
- 10. to smite ...: Heb. to smite the wounded
- 11. the flame of: Heb. the whole consumption of
- 12. was come ...: Heb. touched them
- 13. with ease ...: or, from Menuchah, etc
- 14. over...: Heb. unto over against
- 15. came to hand: Heb. was found
- 16. they came ...: Heb. were found