Judges 9

Englische King James Version von 1611/1769 mit Strongs



1 And Abimelech^{H40} the son^{H1121} of Jerubbaal^{H3378} went^{H3212} to Shechem^{H7927} unto his mother's^{H517} brethren^{H251}, and communed^{H1696} with them, and with all the family^{H4940} of the house^{H1004} of his mother's^{H517} father^{H1}, saying^{H559}, 2 Speak^{H1696}, I pray you, in the ears^{H241} of all the men^{H1167} of Shechem^{H7927}, Whether is better^{H2896} for you, either that all the sons^{H1121} of Jerubbaal^{H3378}, which are threescore and ten^{H7657} persons^{H376}, reign^{H4910} over you, or that one^{H259} reign^{H4910} over you? remember^{H2142} also that I am your bone^{H6106} and your flesh^{H1320}.¹ 3 And his mother's^{H517} brethren^{H251} spake^{H1696} of him in the ears^{H241} of all the men^{H1167} of Shechem^{H7927} all these words^{H1697}: and their hearts^{H3820} inclined^{H5186} to follow^{H310} Abimelech^{H40}; for they said^{H559}, He is our brother^{H251}.² 4 And they gave^{H5414} him threescore and ten^{H7657} pieces of silver^{H3701} out of the house^{H1004} of Baalberith^{H1170}, wherewith Abimelech^{H40} hired^{H7936} vain^{H7386} and light^{H6348} persons^{H582}, which followed^{H3212} him^{H310}. 5 And he went^{H935} unto his father's^{H1} house^{H1004} at Ophrah^{H6084}, and slew^{H2026} his brethren^{H251} the sons^{H1121} of Jerubbaal^{H3378}, being threescore and ten^{H7657} persons^{H376}, upon one^{H259} stone^{H68}: notwithstanding yet Jotham^{H3147} the youngest^{H6996} son^{H1121} of Jerubbaal^{H3378} was left^{H3498}; for he hid^{H2244} himself. 6 And all the men^{H1167} of Shechem^{H7927} gathered together^{H622}, and all the house^{H1004} of Millo^{H4407} himself. 6 And all the men^{H1167} Abimelech^{H40} king^{H4428}, by the plain^{H436} of the pillar^{H5324} that was in Shechem^{H7927}.

7 And when they told H5046 it to Jotham H3147, he went and stood H5975 in the top H7218 of mount Gerizim Gerizim and stood Gerizim of mount Gerizim H1630, and lifted up H5375 his voice H6963, and cried H7121, and said unto them, Hearken unto me, ye men unto me, ye men of Shechem H7927, that God H430 may hearken unto you. 8 The trees went forth went forth on a time to anoint a noint and a $king^{H4428} \ over \ them; \ and \ they \ said^{H559} \ unto \ the \ olive \ tree^{H2132}, \ Reign^{H4427} \ thou \ over \ us. \ {\bf 9} \ But \ the \ olive \ tree^{H2132} \ said^{H559} \ over \ them;$ unto them, Should I leave H2308 my fatness H1880, wherewith by me they honour H3513 God H430 and man H582, and go H1980 to be promoted^{H5128} over the trees^{H6086}?⁴ 10 And the trees^{H6086} said^{H559} to the fig tree^{H8384}, Come^{H3212} thou, and reign^{H4427} fruit^{H8570}, and go^{H1980} to be promoted^{H5128} over the trees^{H6086}? **12** Then said^{H559} the trees^{H6086} unto the vine^{H1612}, Come^{H3212} thou, and reign^{H4427} over us. 13 And the vine^{H1612} said^{H559} unto them, Should I leave^{H2308} my wine^{H8492}, which cheereth H8055 God H430 and man H582, and go H1980 to be promoted over the trees H6086? 14 Then said H559 all the trees^{H6086} unto the bramble^{H329}, Come^{H3212} thou, and reign^{H4427} over us.⁵ 15 And the bramble^{H329} said^{H559} unto the trees^{H6086}, If in truth^{H571} ye anoint^{H4886} me king^{H4428} over you, then come^{H935} and put your trust^{H2620} in my shadow^{H6738}: and if not, let fire H784 come out H3318 of the bramble H329, and devour H398 the cedars H730 of Lebanon H3844. 16 Now therefore, if ye have done H6213 truly H571 and sincerely H8549, in that ye have made Abimelech King H4427, and if ye have dealtH6213 wellH2896 with JerubbaalH3378 and his houseH1004, and have doneH6213 unto him according to the deserving H1576 of his hands H3027; 17 (For my father H1 fought H3898 for you, and adventured H7993 his life H5315 far H5048, and delivered^{H5337} you out of the hand^{H3027} of Midian^{H4080}.6 **18** And ye are risen up^{H6965} against my father's^{H1} house^{H1004} this day^{H3117}, and have slain^{H2026} his sons^{H1121}, threescore and ten^{H7657} persons^{H376}, upon one^{H259} stone^{H68}, and have made Abimelech^{H40}, the son^{H1121} of his maidservant^{H519}, king^{H4427} over the men^{H1167} of Shechem^{H7927}, because he is your brother^{H251};) 19 If ye then have dealt^{H6213} truly^{H571} and sincerely^{H8549} with Jerubbaal^{H3378} and with his house^{H1004} this day^{H3117}, then rejoice^{H8055} ye in Abimelech^{H40}, and let him also rejoice^{H8055} in you: **20** But if not, let fire^{H784} come out^{H3318} from Abimelech^{H40}, and devour^{H398} the men^{H1167} of Shechem^{H7927}, and the house^{H1004} of Millo^{H4407} H1037; and let fire H784 come out H3318 from the men H1167 of Shechem H7927, and from the house H1004 of Millo H4407 H1037, and devour H398 Abimelech^{H40}. 21 And Jotham^{H3147} ran away^{H1272}, and fled^{H5127}, and went^{H3212} to Beer^{H876}, and dwelt^{H3427} there, for fear^{H6440} of Abimelech^{H40} his brother^{H251}.

22 When Abimelech^{H40} had reigned^{H7786} three^{H7969} years^{H8141} over Israel^{H3478}, 23 Then God^{H430} sent^{H7971} an evil^{H7451}

spirit^{H7307} between Abimelech^{H40} and the men^{H1167} of Shechem^{H7927}; and the men^{H167} of Shechem^{H7927} dealt treacherously^{H898} with Abimelech^{H40}: 24 That the cruelty^{H2555} done to the threescore and ten^{H7657} sons^{H1121} of Jerubbaal^{H3378} might come^{H935}, and their blood^{H1818} be laid^{H7760} upon Abimelech^{H40} their brother^{H251}, which slew^{H2026} them; and upon the men^{H1167} of Shechem^{H7927}, which aided^{H2388} H3027 him in the killing^{H2026} of his brethren^{H251,7} **25** And the men^{H1167} of Shechem^{H7927} set^{H7760} liers in wait^{H693} for him in the top^{H7218} of the mountains^{H2022}, and they robbed^{H1497} all that came^{H5674} along that way^{H1870} by them: and it was told^{H5046} Abimelech^{H40}. **26** And Gaal^{H1603} the son H1121 of Ebed Ebed came with his brethren H251, and went over to Shechem to Shechem and the men H1167 of Shechem^{H7927} put their confidence^{H982} in him. **27** And they went out^{H3318} into the fields^{H7704}, and gathered^{H1219} their vineyards^{H3754}, and trode^{H1869} the grapes, and made^{H6213} merry^{H1974}, and went^{H935} into the house^{H1004} of their god^{H430}, and did eat^{H398} and drink^{H8354}, and cursed^{H7043} Abimelech^{H40.8} 28 And Gaal^{H1603} the son^{H1121} of Ebed^{H5651} said^{H559}, Who is Abimelech^{H40}, and who is Shechem^{H7927}, that we should serve^{H5647} him? is not he the son^{H1121} of Jerubbaal H3378? and Zebul H2083 his officer H6496? serve H5647 the men H582 of Hamor H2544 the father H1 of Shechem H7927: for why should we serve H5647 him? 29 And would to God this people were under H5414 my hand H3027! then would I remove^{H5493} Abimelech^{H40}. And he said^{H559} to Abimelech^{H40}, Increase^{H7235} thine army^{H6635}, and come out^{H3318}. **30** And when Zebul^{H2083} the ruler^{H8269} of the city^{H5892} heard^{H8085} the words^{H1697} of Gaal^{H1603} the son^{H1121} of Ebed^{H5651}, his anger^{H639} was kindled^{H2734}. ⁹ **31** And he sent^{H7971} messengers^{H4397} unto Abimelech^{H40} privily^{H8649}, saying^{H559}, Behold, Gaal^{H1603} the son^{H1121} of Ebed^{H5651} and his brethren^{H251} be come^{H935} to Shechem^{H7927}; and, behold, they fortify^{H6696} the city^{H5892} against thee. 10 32 Now therefore up^{H6965} by night^{H3915}, thou and the people^{H5971} that is with thee, and lie in wait^{H693} in the field^{H7704}: 33 And it shall be, that in the morning^{H1242}, as soon as the sun^{H8121} is up^{H2224}, thou shalt rise early^{H7925}, and set^{H6584} upon the city^{H5892}: and, behold, when he and the people^{H5971} that is with him come out^{H3318} against thee, then mayest thou doH6213 to them as thouH3027 shalt find occasionH4672.11 34 And AbimelechH40 rose up^{H6965}, and all the people^{H5971} that were with him, by night^{H3915}, and they laid wait^{H693} against Shechem^{H7927} in four^{H702} companies^{H7218}. 35 And Gaal^{H1603} the son^{H1121} of Ebed^{H5651} went out^{H3318}, and stood^{H5975} in the entering^{H6607} of the gate^{H8179} of the city^{H5892}: and Abimelech^{H40} rose up^{H6965}, and the people^{H5971} that were with him, from lying in wait^{H3993}. 36 And when $Gaal^{H1603}$ saw^{H7200} the people H5971 , he $said^{H559}$ to $Zebul^{H2083}$, Behold, there $come^{H3381}$ $people^{H5971}$ down^{H3381} from the top^{H7218} of the mountains^{H2022}. And Zebul^{H2083} said^{H559} unto him, Thou seest^{H7200} the shadow^{H6738} of the mountains H2022 as if they were men H582. 37 And Gaal H1603 spake again again again again Section again Section Section Section 15. people^{H5971} down^{H3381} by the middle^{H2872} of the land^{H776}, and another^{H259} company^{H7218} come^{H935} along by the plain^{H436} of^{H1870} Meonenim^{H6049}. ¹²¹³ **38** Then said H559 Zebul unto him, Where is now H645 thy mouth where with thou saidst^{H559}, Who is Abimelech^{H40}, that we should serve^{H5647} him? is not this the people^{H5971} that thou hast despised^{H3988}? go out^{H3318}, I pray now^{H4994}, and fight^{H3898} with them. 39 And Gaal^{H1603} went out^{H3318} before^{H6440} the men^{H1167} of Shechem^{H7927}, and fought^{H3898} with Abimelech^{H40}. **40** And Abimelech^{H40} chased^{H7291} him, and he fled^{H5127} before H6440 him, and many Were overthrown and wounded H2491, even unto the entering H6607 of the gate H8179. 41 And Abimelech^{H40} dwelt^{H3427} at Arumah^{H725}; and Zebul^{H2083} thrust out^{H1644} Gaal^{H1603} and his brethren^{H251}, that they should not dwell^{H3427} in Shechem^{H7927}. **42** And it came to pass on the morrow^{H4283}, that the people^{H5971} went out^{H3318} into the field H7704; and they told H5046 Abimelech Add And he took H3947 the people H5971, and divided H2673 them into $three^{H7969}\ companies^{H7218}, and\ laid\ wait^{H693}\ in\ the\ field^{H7704},\ and\ looked^{H7200},\ and,\ behold,\ the\ people^{H5971}\ were\ come$ forth^{H3318} out of the city^{H5892}; and he rose up^{H6965} against them, and smote^{H5221} them. 44 And Abimelech^{H40}, and the companyH7218 that was with him, rushed forwardH6584, and stoodH5975 in the enteringH6607 of the gateH8179 of the city^{H5892}: and the two^{H8147} other companies^{H7218} ran upon^{H6584} all the people that were in the fields^{H7704}, and slew^{H5221} them. 45 And Abimelech^{H40} fought^{H3898} against the city^{H5892} all that day^{H3117}; and he took^{H3920} the city^{H5892}, and slew H2026 the people H5971 that was therein, and beat down H5422 the city H5892, and sowed H2232 it with salt H4417. 46 And when all the men^{H1167} of the tower^{H4026} of Shechem^{H7927} heard^{H8085} that, they entered^{H935} into an hold^{H6877} of the house H1004 of the god H410 Berith H1286. 47 And it was told H5046 Abimelech H40, that all the men H1167 of the tower H4026 of Shechem^{H7927} were gathered together^{H6908}. **48** And Abimelech^{H40} gat him up^{H5927} to mount^{H2022} Zalmon^{H6756}, he and all the people^{H5971} that were with him; and Abimelech^{H40} took^{H3947} an axe^{H7134} in his hand^{H3027}, and cut down^{H3772} a bough^{H7754} from the trees^{H6086}, and took^{H5375} it, and laid^{H7760} it on his shoulder^{H7926}, and said^{H559} unto the people^{H5971} that were with him, What ye have seen H7200 me do H6213 , make haste H4116 , and do H6213 as I H3644 have done. 14 49 And all the people H5971 likewise cut down every man H376 his bough and followed Abimelech Abimelech Abimelech and put H7760

them to the hold^{H6877}, and set^{H3341} the hold^{H6877} on fire^{H784} upon them; so that all the men^{H582} of the tower^{H4026} of Shechem^{H7927} died^{H4191} also, about a thousand^{H505} men^{H376} and women^{H802}.

50 Then went^{H3212} Abimelech^{H40} to Thebez^{H8405}, and encamped^{H2583} against Thebez^{H8405}, and took^{H3920} it. 51 But there was a strong^{H5797} tower^{H4026} within^{H8432} the city^{H5892}, and thither fled^{H5127} all the men^{H582} and women^{H802}, and all they^{H1167} of the city^{H5892}, and shut^{H5462} it to them, and gat them up^{H5927} to the top^{H1406} of the tower^{H4026}. 52 And Abimelech^{H40} came^{H335} unto the tower^{H4026}, and fought^{H3898} against it, and went hard^{H5066} unto the door^{H6607} of the tower^{H4026} to burn^{H8313} it with fire^{H784}. 53 And a certain^{H259} woman^{H802} cast^{H7993} a piece^{H6400} of a millstone^{H7393} upon Abimelech's^{H40} head^{H7218}, and all to brake^{H7533} his skull^{H1538}. 54 Then he called^{H7121} hastily^{H4120} unto the young man^{H5288} his armourbearer^{H5375} H3627, and said^{H559} unto him, Draw^{H8025} thy sword^{H2719}, and slay^{H4191} me, that men say^{H559} not of me, A woman^{H802} slew^{H2026} him. And his young man^{H5288} thrust him through^{H1856}, and he died^{H4191}. 55 And when the men^{H376} of Israel^{H3478} saw^{H7200} that Abimelech^{H40} was dead^{H4191}, they departed^{H3212} every man^{H376} unto his place^{H4725}. 56 Thus God^{H430} rendered^{H7725} the wickedness^{H7451} of Abimelech^{H40}, which he did^{H6213} unto his father^{H1}, in slaying^{H2026} his seventy^{H7657} brethren^{H251}: 57 And all the evil^{H7451} of the men^{H582} of Shechem^{H7927} did God^{H430} render^{H7725} upon their heads^{H7218}: and upon them came^{H935} the curse^{H7045} of Jotham^{H3147} the son^{H1121} of Jerubbaal^{H3378}.

Fußnoten

- 1. Whether...: Heb. What is good? whether, etc
- 2. to follow: Heb. after
- 3. plain: or, oak
- 4. go...: or, go up and down for other trees
- 5. bramble: or, thistle
- 6. adventured...: Heb. cast his life
- 7. aided...: Heb. strengthened his hands to kill
- 8. merry: or, songs
- 9. kindled: or, hot
- 10. privily: Heb. craftily or, to Tormah
- 11. as thou shalt...: Heb. as thine hand shall find
- 12. middle: Heb. navel
- 13. Meonenim: or, the regarders of times
- 14. me do: Heb. I have done