

1:1

[1] and it **happened** after (the) death of Joshua –  
 [2-3] and (there) **inquired**, (the) sons of Israel, with YHWH, **saying**  
 [4-5] who **shall go up** for us, to the Canaanite at first, **to fight** with him?

[1] and (there) **said**, YHWH

[6] Judah **shall go up**

[2] behold, I **have given** the land into his hand

[7-8] and (there) **said**, Judah, to **Simeon**, his **brother**

[9] **come up** with me in my lot

[10] and **let us fight** with (the) Canaanite!

[1-2] and I **will go** – even I – with you in your lot

[3] and (there) **went** with him, Simeon

[4] and (there) **went up**, Judah

[3-4] and (there) **gave**, YHWH, the **Canaanite** and the **Perizzite** into their hand

[5] and they **smote** them in Bezek [*lightning*]:

[1-10] **ten** of **thousands**, man

10,000

[1-2] and they **found** Adoni-Bezek [*Lord of Bezek*] in Bezek

[3] and they **fought** with him

[4-5] and they **smote** the **Canaanite** and the **Perizzite**

[1] and (there) **fled**, Adoni-Bezek

[2-3] and they **pursued** after him and **seized** him

[4-5] and they **cut off** (the) thumbs of his hands (**two**)

[6-7] and his feet (**two**)

[8] and (there) **said**, Adoni-Bezek

[9-10] \* **sevens** [*seventy*] kings –

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[1-2] thumbs of their hands (**two**)

[3-4] and of their feet (**two**), (there) **being cut off – were, being gathered** under my table

[5] as which, I **have done** –

[5] thus (there) **has repaid** to me, God!

[1] and they **brought** him (to) Jerusalem

[2] and he **died** there

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[3] and (there) **fought**, (the) sons of Judah, with Jerusalem

[4-5] and they **captured** her and **smote** her, to mouth of (the) sword

[6] and the city, they **sent** into fire

[7] and afterward, (there) **went down**, (the) sons of Judah –

[8-10] **to fight** with (the) Canaanite, **inhabiting** the **hill-country** and the **Negeb** [*south-country*], and the **Shephelah** [*lowland*]

7 elem.

70 elements

This is a translation and a study of the Book of Judges. This work presents the possible presence of a literary numbering system in Judges. Following the PebbleCounting hypothesis, this numbering system appears to be inherent in the Ancient Hebrew and consistently used throughout Judges, as it is in other books of Scripture.

This study is freely available at [www.pebblecounting.com](http://www.pebblecounting.com), along with studies/translations of other books of Scripture. The "Intro to PebbleCounting" PDFs are a good place to begin.

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“sevens [*seventy*] kings” | The number *seventy* may serve as a literary measure for divine retribution: the death of this representative Canaanite, and the possessing of the Canaanite region by Judah. A sevenfold measure may also exist here, intersecting the middle of the line for seventy. The pairing of 7-fold and 70-fold measures may reprise the measures of avenging in Genesis 4, for Lamech. Here, the 70-fold measure pertains to the divine action: the God who is repaying justice to Adoni-Bezek is the God who is with Judah (end of the literary measure, next page). The measure also leads to Caleb – a prominent faith hero – as a concluding point for the achievements of the tribe of Judah.

On the intersecting (multiplying) of 70-fold and 7-fold measures for retribution, see also, Mt. 18:22.

[1] and (there) **went**, Judah, to the Canaanite  
 [2] the, **dwelling** in Hebron  
 [3-6] and (the) name of Hebron, formerly, (**was**) *Kiriath-Arba* [city of the **four**]  
 [7-9] and they **smote** **Sheshai** and **Ahiman** and **Talmai**  
 [10] and they **went** from there –

[1] to (those) **inhabiting** **Debir** [*“oracle”*]  
 [2] and (the) name of **Debir**, formerly, (**was**) *Kiriath-Sepher* [city of a **book**]  
 [3] and (there) **said**, Caleb  
 [4-5] (he) who **smites** Kiriath-Sepher and **captures** her –  
 [1-3] and I **will give** to him **Achsah** [*“anklet”*], my **daughter**, for a **wife**  
 [4-7] and (there) **captured** her, **Othniel** [*“force of God”*], **son** of Kenaz, **brother**  
 of Caleb, the **little** from him  
 [8-10] and he **gave** to him **Achsah**, his **daughter**, for a **wife**

[1-2] and it **happened**, in her, **to come**  
 [3-4] and she **urged** him, **to ask** from with her father, the field  
 [5] and she **went down** from upon the donkey  
 [6] and (there) **said** to her, Caleb  
 [7] what (**is**) for you?  
 [8] and she **said** to him  
 [9] **give** to me a blessing  
 [10] because (the) land of the Negeb [*south-country*], you **have given** me –  
 [1] and **give** to me springs of waters!  
 [2-5] and (there) **gave** to her, Caleb, **springs**, **upper**, and **springs**, **lower**

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[1-2] and (the) sons of (the) **Kenite**, **father-in-law** of Moses, **went up** from the  
 city of the palm-trees with (the) sons of Judah  
 [3-4] (to) (the) **wilderness** of Judah which **is** in (the) Negeb, (to) **Arad**  
 [5-6] and he **went** and **dwelled** with the people  
 [7-8] and (there) **went**, Judah, with **Simeon**, his **brother**  
 [9] and they **smote** the Canaanite,  
 [10] **inhabiting** Zephath

[1] and they **destroyed** her  
 [2-3] and he **called**, (the) **name** of the city, *Hormah* [*devoted-to-destruction*]  
 [4-5] and (there) **captured**, Judah: **Gaza** and her **territory**  
 [6-7] and **Ashkelon** and her **territory**  
 [8-9] and **Ekron** and her **territory**

[1] and (there) **was**, YHWH, with Judah  
 [10] and he **possessed** the hill-country

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[1-2] because **not, to possess**, (those) **inhabiting** the valley  
 [3] because (the) chariot of iron (**was**) to them  
 [4] and they **gave** to Caleb, Hebron  
 [5] as which, (there) **spoke**, Moses  
 [6-8] and he **possessed** from there (the) **three** sons of the Anak  
 [9] and the Jebusite, **inhabiting** Jerusalem –  
**[10]** (there) **did not possess**, (the) sons of Benjamin  
 [1-2] and (there) **lived**, the Jebusite, with (the) sons of Benjamin in Jerusalem,  
 unto the **day**, the **this**

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[3] and (there) **went up**, (the) **house** of Joseph –

↖ [4] yes, **they** – (to) Bethel  
 [2]\* and YHWH (**was**) with them  
 [5] and (there) **spied**, (the) house of Joseph, at Bethel  
 [6] and (the) name of the city, formerly, (**was**) Luz  
 [7-8] and (there) **saw**, the, (those) **spying**, a man  
 [9] **going out** from the city  
**[10]** and they **said** to him  
 [1] **show** us, please, an entry of the city  
 [2] and we **will make**, with you, lovingkindness  
 [3] and he **showed** them an entry of the city  
 [4] and they **smote** the city to mouth of (the) sword  
 [5-6] and the **man** and all his **family**, they **sent away**  
 [7] and (there) **went**, the man, (to) (the) land of the Hittites  
 [8] and he **built** a city  
**[9-10]** and he **called** her **name**, **Luz**  
 [1-2] it (**is**) her name unto the **day**, the **this**

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[3-4] and (there) **did not possess**, Manasseh, **Beth-Shean** [*house of quiet*] and  
 her **daughters** [*villages*]  
 [5-6] and **Taanach** and her **daughters**  
 [7-8] and (him) **inhabiting** **Dor** and her **daughters**  
**[9-10]** and (those) **inhabiting** **Ibleam** and her **daughters**  
 [1-2] and (those) **inhabiting** **Megiddo** and her **daughters**  
 [3-4] and (there) **persisted**, the Canaanite, **to dwell** in (the) **land**, the **this**  
 [5-6] and it **happened**, as (there) **became strong**, Israel  
 [7-8] and he **set** the **Canaanite** to a **forced-laborer**  
**[9-10]** and **to possess**, he **did not possess** him

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“and YHWH (was) with them” | Note the symmetry of this 110-fold literary measure, compared with the measure concluding on the page just above. From Numbers 13:8, Joshua, son of Nun, was from the tribe of Ephraim. Ephraim is represented here under the name of Joseph, Ephraim’s father. The literary measure reaches to the age stature of Joshua, upon his death. Like Caleb, Joshua was a faith hero. These two were a generation older than anyone else in Israel at this time.

[1] and Ephraim **did not possess** the Canaanite  
 [2] the, **dwelling** in Gezer  
 [3-4] and (there) **dwelled**, the Canaanite, in his **midst** – in **Gezer**

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[5] Zebulun **did not possess**  
 [6-7] (those) **inhabiting** Kitron and (those) **inhabiting** Nahalol  
 [8] and (there) **dwelled**, the Canaanite, in his midst  
 [9-10] and **they became**, to **forced-labor**

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[1] Asher **did not possess** –  
 [2] (those) **inhabiting** Accho  
 [3-8] and (those) **inhabiting** Sidon and **Ahlab** and **Achzib** and **Helbah** and **Aphik**  
 and **Rehob**  
 [9] and (there) **dwelled**, the Asherite, in (the) midst of the Canaanite  
**[10]** (those) **inhabiting** the land  
 [1] because they **did not possess** him

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[2] Naphtali **did not possess**  
 [3] (those) **inhabiting** Beth-Shemesh [*house of (the) sun*]  
 [4] and (those) **inhabiting** Beth-Anath [*house of replies*]  
 [5] and he **dwelled** in (the) midst of the Canaanite,  
 [6] (those) **inhabiting** the land  
 [7-9] and (those) **inhabiting** Beth-Shemesh and **Beth-Anath became**, for him, to  
**forced-labor**

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**[10]** and (there) **pressed**, the Amorite, (the) sons of Dan, into the hill-country  
 [1-2] for he **did not allow** him, **to go down** to (the) valley  
 [3-5] and (there) **persisted**, the Amorite, **to dwell** in Mount **Heres**, in **Aijalon**,  
 and in **Shaalbim**  
 [6] and (there) **was heavy**, (the) hand of (the) house of Joseph  
 [7-8] and **they became**, to **forced-labor**  
 [9] and (the) border of the Amorite (**was**) from (the) **ascent** of Akkrabbim  
**[10]** from the **Sela** [*rock*]  
 [1] and to **above**

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[3] and (there) **went up**, (the) angel of YHWH, from Gilgal to Bochim

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[4] and he **said**

[5-6] I **brought up**, you, from Egypt and **brought** you to the land

[7] which I **swore** to your fathers

[8] and I **said**

[9] I **will not break** My covenant with you, to forever

[2] and you **will not cut** a covenant –

[3-4] to (those) **inhabiting** the **land**, the **this**

[5] their altars, you **will break down**

[6] but you **did not obey**, at My voice

[7-8] what (is) this, you **have done**?

[10] and moreover, I **say**:

[1] I **will not drive out**, them, from before you

[9-10] and **they will become** to you, to **sides** [adversaries]

[1-2] and their **gods will become** to you, to a **snare**

[2] and it **happened** –

[3-4] as (there), **to speak**, (the) angel of YHWH, the **words**, the **these**, to all (the) sons of Israel

[3-4] and (there) **lifted**, the people, their voice, and they **wept**

[5-6] and they **called** (the) name of the **place**, the **that**, “**weeping**”

[7] and they **sacrificed** there, to YHWH

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[8] and (there) **sent away**, Joshua, the people

[9-10] and (there) **went**, (the) sons of Israel, a man to his possession, **to possess** the land

[1] and (there) **served**, the people, YHWH, all (the) **days** of Joshua

[2] and all (the) **days** of the elders

[3] which, they **made long**, **days**, after Joshua

[4-5] which, they **had seen** all (the) **work** of YHWH, the **great**

[5] which He **had done** for Israel

[6-8] and (there) **died**, Joshua, son of Nun, **servant** of YHWH

[9]\* son of a **hundred**

[10] and **ten** of **years**

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[1] and they **buried** him in (the) **territory** of his inheritance

[2] in **Timnath-Heres** [territory of the sun]

[3] in (the) **hill-country** of Ephraim, from north to (the) mountain of Gaash

[4-5] and also, all the **generation**, the **that**, **was gathered** to its fathers

110 elements

“son of a hundred and ten of years” | This measure appears to reflect upward to the context of Ephraim’s conquest, and God being with them. Joshua the Ephraimite is honored in the passage.

The 110-fold stature is also a reflection of the final verses of the Book of Joshua (24:29-33). The reflecting of a 110-year age stature from Joshua into Judges may parallel to the reflection of Joseph’s 110-year age stature at the end of Genesis (50:22, 26; see comments and table in the Genesis study). The reflection of the 110-year age stature from Joshua into Judges may signal the completion of a 1000-fold literary stature for Joshua, the faith hero – as it does for Joseph. A study of literary counts for the Book of Joshua would need to be completed to confirm this possibility.

[1]\* and (there) **arose**, a generation, other, after them  
 [2-3] which, they **did not know** YHWH, and also the **work** –  
 [6] which He **had done** for Israel  
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 [4-5] and (there) **did**, (the) sons of Israel, the evil in (the) eyes (**two**) of YHWH  
 [1] and they **served** the Baals  
 [2-3] and they **forsook** YHWH, **God** of their fathers  
 [7] the, **bringing** them **out** from (the) land of Egypt  
 [4] and they **went** after gods, other  
 [5] from gods of the peoples who (**were**) around them  
 [6] and they **bowed down** to them  
 [7] and they **made angry**, YHWH  
 [8] and they **forsook** YHWH  
 [9] and they **served** for **Baal**  
**[10]** and for **Ashteroth**  
 [8] and (there) **burned**, (the) anger of YHWH, against Israel  
 [9] and He **gave** them into (the) hand –  
 [1] of (those) **plundering**  
 [2] and they **plundered** them  
**[10]** and He **sold** them into (the) hand of their enemies from all-around  
 [3-4] and they **were not able**, longer, **to stand** before their enemies  
 [5] in all which, they **went out** –  
 [1-2] (the) hand of YHWH **was** against them for evil, as which, (there) **spoke**, YHWH  
 [3] and as which, (there) **swore**, YHWH, to them  
 [6-7] and it **bound** to them, **greatly**  
 [4] and (there) **raised up**, YHWH:  
 [8] (those) **judging**  
 [9] and they **saved** them  
**[10]** from (the) hand of (those) **plundering** them  
 [1-2] and also, to (those) **judging** them, they **did not listen**  
 [3-4] because they **whored** after gods, other, and **bowed** to them  
 [5-6] they **turned aside**, **to hasten** from the way which –  
 [7-8] (there) **walked**, their fathers, **to obey** (the) commandments of YHWH –  
 [9-10] they **did not do**, **thus**

16 elements

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16 elements

“and (there) arose, a generation, other, after them” | The programmatic language of this section may correspond with a first thousandfold interval occurring in the Book of Judges. The placement of this thousandfold interval is driven by the tight sequencing of special numbers 600 and 900 at the end of chapter 3 and the beginning of chapter 4. Literary mirroring may be present in context here in chapter 2: the spiritual departure of the covenant people, and the response of God (judgment, then deliverance by those “judging”).

If this measurement is accurate, it may be that Judges resumes from a thousandfold measure beginning toward the end of Joshua. Total literary count at the cyan dashed line = 456. A complementing count would be 544-fold from the end of Joshua – possibly chapters 23 and 24? A thousandfold is featured in 23:10, with possible mirroring of chapter 23 at that point.

- [5] and when (there) **raised up**, YHWH, for them –  
 [1] (those) **judging**
- [6] and (there) **was**, YHWH, with –  
 [2] (him) **judging**
- [7] and He **saved** them from (the) hand of their enemies  
 [3] all (the) **days** of the, (him) **judging**
- [8] because (there) **had compassion**, YHWH, from their groan –  
 [4-5] from before (those) **oppressing** them and **crowding** them  
 [1] and it **happened** –  
 [2-3] in (there), **to die**, the, (he) **judging** –  
 [4-5] they **turned back** and **acted corruptly**, more than their fathers  
 [6] **to go** after gods, other  
 [7-8] **to serve** them and **to bow down** to them  
 [9-10] they **did not drop**, from their **deeds**, and from their **way** –  
 [1] the **stubborn!**
- [9-10] and (there) **burned**, (the) anger of YHWH, against Israel, and He **said**  
 [2-3] because of which, (there) **passed over** – the **nation**, the **this** – My covenant  
 [1] which I **commanded** their fathers  
 [4] and they **did not listen** to My voice!
- [2-3] also I **will not do again**, **to dispossess** a man from before them, from the nations –  
 [5-6] which, (there) **left**, Joshua – and he **died** –
- [4] in order **to test** by them, Israel:  
 [7-8] if (there) **would be keeping** – they – (the) way of YHWH, **to walk** in them  
 [9] as which, (there) **kept**, their fathers –  
 [10] (or) if (they **would**) **not**
- [5-7] and (there) **left**, YHWH, the **nations**, the **these**, lest, **to dispossess** them, **to hasten** –  
 [8] and He **did not give** them into (the) hand of Joshua 2:23
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- [1] and these (**are**) the nations – 3:1
- [9-10] which (there) **left**, YHWH, **to test** by them, Israel –  
 [2] all which, they **did not know** all (the) wars of Canaan  
 [3-4] only in order **to know** – generations of (the) sons of Israel – **to teach** them war  
 [5] only which, to before, they **did not know** them:  
 [1-5] **five** lords of (the) Philistines  
 [6-8] and all the **Canaanite** and the **Sidonian** and the **Hivite inhabiting** the  
 mountain of Lebanon:  
 [9-10] from (the) **mountain** of Baal-Hermon as far as **Lebo-Hamath**

[1] and they **became** –  
 [2] **to try** by them, Israel  
 [3-4] **to know**, if they **would obey** (the) commandments of YHWH  
 [1] which He **commanded** their fathers by (the) hand of Moses  
 [5-10] and (the) sons of Israel **dwelled** in (the) midst of the **Canaanite**, the **Hittite**,  
 and the **Amorite**, and the **Perizzite**, and the **Hivite**, and the **Jebusite**

[1-2] and they **took** their daughters to **themselves**,  
 [3] for **wives**  
 [4] and their *[own]* daughters, they **gave** to their sons  
 [5] and they **served** their gods

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[1-2] and (there) **did**, (the) sons of Israel, the evil in (the) eyes (**two**) of YHWH  
 [3-4] and they **forgot** YHWH, their **God**  
 [5-6] and they **served** the **Baals** and the **Asheroth**  
 [2] and (there) **burned**, (the) anger of YHWH, against Israel  
 [3] and He **sold** them:

[7-8] into (the) hand of Cushan-Rishathaim [*“Cush of the wickednesses (**two**)”*],  
 [9-10] king of Aram-Naharaim [*“Aram of the Rivers (**two**)”*]

[1-8]\* and (there) **served**, (the) sons of Israel, Cushan-Rishathaim, **eight** years  
 [9] and (there) **cried out**, (the) sons of Israel, to YHWH  
 [4] and (there) **raised up**, YHWH:

[10] a **savior** to (the) sons of Israel –

[1] and **he saved** them:  
 [2-5] **Othniel**, son of Kenaz, **brother** of Caleb, the **little** from him  
 [6] and (there) **was**, upon him, (the) Spirit of YHWH  
 [7-8] and he **judged** Israel and **went out** to war

[5] and (there) **gave**, YHWH, into his hand:

[9-10] **Cushan-Rishathaim**, king of Aram

[1] and (there) **prevailed**, his hand, over Cushan-Rishathaim

[2-3] and (there) **was quiet**, the land, (for) **fours** [*forty*] **year**

[4-5] and (there) **died**, **Othniel**, son of Kenaz

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“and (there) served, (the) sons of Israel, Cushan-Rishathaim” | Because Cushan-Rishathaim’s name has already been counted for its Hebrew dual noun value, in the near context, it is not counted again for two elements here. Rather, the line carries the eightfold value of the time measure.

[1-2] and (there) **did again**, (the) sons of Israel, **to do** the evil in (the) eyes (**two**) of YHWH

[1] and (there) **strengthened**, YHWH:

[3-4] **Eglon** [*calf-like*], **king** of Moab, against Israel  
 [5-6] upon that, they **had done** the evil in (the) eyes (**two**) of YHWH  
 [7-8] and he **gathered** to him (the) sons of **Ammon** and **Amalek**  
 [9-10] and he **went** and **smote** Israel  
 [1] and he **possessed** the city of palm-trees  
 [2] and (there) **served**, (the) sons of Israel, **Eglon**,  
 [3-10] king of Moab, **eight-ten** [*eighteen*] **year**

18 elements

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[1] and (there) **cried out**, (the) sons of Israel, to YHWH

[2] and (there) **raised up**, YHWH, for them –

[2] a **savior**:  
 [3-5] **Ehud** [*“united”*], **son** of Gera, **son** of the right-hand [*that is, Benjaminite*],  
 [6] a **man** – (there) (**being**) bound, (the) hand of his right [*that is, left-handed*]  
 [7-8] and (there) **sent**, (the) sons of Israel, in his hand, tribute for **Eglon**, **king** of Moab

[9-10] and (there) **made** for **himself**, **Ehud**, a sword

[1-2]\* and to it (**were**) **two** of mouths

[3] a cubit (**was**) its length  
 [4] and he **girded** it from under, to his garments, upon (the) loin of his right [*side*]  
 [5-6] and he **brought near**, the tribute, to **Eglon**, **king** of Moab  
 [7-9] and Eglon (**was**) a **man**, **fat**, **very**  
 [10] and it **happened** –

80 elements

[1-2] as which, he **finished**, **to bring near** the tribute  
 [3] and he **sent away** the people  
 [4] **carrying** the present  
 [5-7] and he **turned back** from the idols which (**were**) with Gilgal, and **said**  
 [8-9] a word of secrecy (**is**) for me, to **you**, [*O*] **king**  
 [10] and he **said**

[1] (**let there be**) **silence!**  
 [2-3] and (there) **went out** from over him, all the, (those) **standing** over him  
 [4] and Ehud **came** to him  
 [5-7] and he **was sitting** in (the) roof-chamber of the coolness – which **was** to him – **alone**

“and to it (were) two of mouths” | Although both edges of this sword will remain with Eglon, the two mouths may be reflected in two occasions for victory: first with Eglon, then with the 10,000 of Moab. The literary span of these two mouths, as it were, encompasses 80 elements (dashed gray line). By literary design, this measurement corresponds to the duration of peace that will follow (80 years).

“a cubit (was) its length” | The sword is given a second characteristic: it is a cubit in length. From a variety of contexts (see, e.g., Genesis, Esther, Daniel, Zechariah, John, Revelation), the cubit has been found to have five-fold significance as a unit of measure, corresponding to the five-fingered hand that participates in this forearm-length measurement. Here, the length of the sword may complement the 18-fold measure in the preceding context: that is, the sword functioning to avenge 18 years of bondage. The 18-fold value, multiplied by 5-fold significance for the cubit-length sword, results in a 90-fold stature. This stature is reflected in the two special numbers arising in the context: the 10 from just above (which was not included in the 18-fold measure), and the 80 from just below: 10 + 80 = 90-fold.

[8] and (there) **said**, Ehud  
 [9] a word of God (**is**) for me, to you  
 [10] and he **arose** from upon the throne  
 [1] and (there) **sent**, Ehud, (the) hand of his left  
 [2] and he **took** the sword from upon (the) loin of his right  
 [3] and he **thrust** it into his belly  
 [4] and (there) **went in**, also, the hilt after the blade  
 [5] and (there) **shut**, the fat, behind the blade –  
 [6] for he **did not extract** the sword from his belly –  
 [7] and (there) **went out**, the dung  
 [8] and (there) **went out**, Ehud, to the vestibule  
 [9-10] and he **shut** (the) doors of the roof-chamber behind him, and **locked**  
 [1] and he **had gone out**  
 [2-3] and his [*Eglon's*] servants **came** and **saw** –  
 [4] and behold, (the) doors of the roof-chamber **having been locked** –  
 [5] and they **said**  
 [1-2] only, (there) **is covering**, he, his feet (**two**) [*relieving himself*], in (the) chamber of the coolness  
 [3-4] and they **waited** until, **to be ashamed**  
 [5] and behold, **there was not**, his **opening** (the) doors of the roof-chamber!  
 [1-2] and they **took** the key and **opened**  
 [3-4] and behold, their lord **having fallen** to the floor, **having died!**  
 [5] and Ehud **escaped** as far as –  
 [6] their, **to delay**  
 [7-8] and he **passed by** the idols and **escaped** to Seirah  
 [9-10] and it **happened**, in his, **to arrive** –  
 [1] and he **blew** with (the) trumpet in (the) hill-country of Ephraim  
 [2] and (there) **came down** with him, (the) sons of Israel, from the hill-country  
 [3] and he (**was**) before them  
 [4] and he **said** to them  
 [5] **follow** after me  
 [3-4] for (there) **has given**, YHWH your **enemies** – **Moab** – into your hand!  
 [6-7] and they **followed** after him and **seized** (the) fords of the Jordan against Moab  
 [8-9] and they **did not permit**, a man, **to cross**  
 [10] and they **smote** Moab at (the) **time** –  
 [1-10] the that, like, **ten** of **thousands** man

80 elements

10,000

[1-2] all (were) fat, and all (were) men of strength  
 [3] and (there) did not escape, a man  
 [4-5] and (there) was subdued, Moab, in (the) day, the that, under (the) hand of Israel

[1-2] and (there) was quiet, the land, eights [eighty] year 80

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[3-4] and after him was Shamgar, son of Anath  
 [5] and he smote Philistines:

[1-6] six-hundred man, with a prod of the cattle 600  
 [7] and (there) saved, also he, Israel 3:31

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[8-9] and (there) did again, (the) sons of Israel, to do the evil in (the) eyes (two) of YHWH –  
 [10] and Ehud had died – 4:1

[5] and (there) sold them, YHWH:

[1-2] into (the) hand of Jabin [“intelligent”], king of Canaan  
 [3] who ruled in Hazor  
 [4] and (the) chief of his army (was) Sisera  
 [5] and he was dwelling in Harosheth-Hagoyim [Craftsmanship of the Nations]

[1] and (there) cried out, (the) sons of Israel, to YHWH  
 [2-10] because nine of hundreds chariot of iron (were) to him 900

[1-2] and he oppressed (the) sons of Israel with force, tens [twenty] year 20

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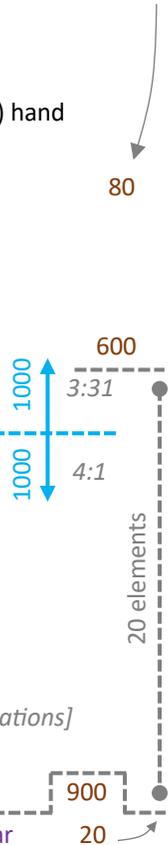
[3-5]\* and Deborah [“bee”] (was) a woman, a prophetess, (the) wife of Lappidoth [“flames”]

[1-2] she was judging Israel in (the) time, the that  
 [3-4] and she was sitting under (the) palm-tree of Deborah, between Rama and between Bethel

[5] in (the) hill-country of Ephraim  
 [6] and (there) went up to her, (the) sons of Israel, for judgment  
 [7] and she sent

[8-9] and she called for Barak [“lightning”], son of Abinoam, from Kadesh-Naphtali [“sanctuary of Naphtali”]

[10] and she said to him



[1-2] has (there) not commanded, YHWH, God of Israel:

[1-2] go, and you will gather in (the) hill-country of Tabor

[3] and you will take

[4-5] with yourself, ten of thousands of man from  
(the) sons of Naphtali and from (the) sons of Zebulun

10 10,000

[3-4] and I will draw to you, to (the) river of Kishon:

[6-7] Sisera, chief of (the) army of Jabin

[8-9] and his chariot and his multitude

[5] and I will give them into your hand

[10] and (there) said to her, Barak

[1-2] if you will go with me – and I will go

[3-4] and if you will not go with me – I will not go

[5] and she said,

[1-2] to go, I will go with you

[3-4] except that (there) will not be, your glory, upon the way which you are going

[1] because into (the) hand of a woman, (there) will sell, YHWH, Sisera

[5-6] and (there) arose, Deborah, and went with Barak to Kedesh

[7-8] and (there) called, Barak: Zebulun and Naphtali, to Kedesh

[9-10] and (there) went up at his feet (two):

[1-10] ten of thousands of man ----- 10,000



[1] and (there) went up with him, Deborah

[2-3] and Heber, the Kenite, was being separate from (the) Kenite

[4-5] from (the) sons of Hobab, father-in-law of Moses

[6] and he stretched out his tent as far as (the) oak at Zaanannim

[7] which (is) with Kedesh

[8] and they told to Sisera

[9-10] that (there) went up, Barak, son of Abinoam, to (the) mountain of Tabor

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[1] and (there) called out, Sisera, all his chariot:

[2-10] nine of hundred chariot of iron

900

[1] and all the people who (were) with him, from Harosheth-Hagoyim to  
(the) river of Kishon

[2] and (there) said, Deborah, to Barak

[3] arise!

[4] because this (is) the day which –

[2] (there) has given, YHWH, Sisera into your hand

[3] does not YHWH go out before you?

“ten of thousands of man” | If counted accurately, this second thousandfold lands at the middle of the line: at the completion of the fifth of tenfold, at a place of thousandfold significance.

[5] and (there) **went down**, **Barak**, from (the) mountain of Tabor  
 [6] and **ten** of **thousands** man, after him 10 10,000  
 [4] and (there) **confused**, YHWH:  
 [7-9] **Sisera** and all the **chariot** and all the **camp**, to mouth of (the)  
 sword, before Barak  
 [10] and there **went down**, Sisera, from upon the chariot  
 [1-2] and he **fled** with his feet (**two**)  
 [3-4] and Barak **pursued** after the **chariot** and after the **camp**, as far  
 as Harosheth-Hagoyim  
 [5] and (there) **fell**, all (the) camp of Sisera, to mouth of (the) sword  
 [1] there **was not left over**, as much as **one**  
 [2-3] and Sisera **fled** with his feet (**two**) to (the) tent of Jael [*ibex*],  
 [4-5] wife of **Heber**, the **Kenite**  
 [1-2] because (there **was**) peace between **Jabin**, king of Hazor  
 [3-4] and between (the) house of **Heber**, the **Kenite**  
 [5-6] and (there) **went out**, Jael, **to meet** Sisera  
 [7] and she **said** to him  
 [8-9] (**you**) **turn aside**, my **lord**, **turn aside** to me  
 [10] **let** you **not fear**!  
 [1] and he **turned aside** to her, into the tent  
 [2] and she **covered** him with a rug  
 [3] and he **said** to her  
 [4-5] **make** me **drink**, please, a little of water, for I **thirst**!  
 [6-7] and she **opened** a skin of the milk and **made** him **drink**  
 [8] and she **covered** him  
 [9] and he **said** to her  
 [10] **stand** (at) (the) opening of the tent  
 [1] and it **will be** –  
 [2-4] if a man **comes** and **asks** you and **says**  
 [5] **is there**, here, a man?  
 [6] and you **will say**  
 [7] **there is not**  
 [8-9] and (there) **took**, **Jael**, **wife** of Heber, a peg of the tent  
 [10] and she **put** the hammer in her hand  
 [1-2] and she **came** to him in secrecy and **drove** the peg into his temple  
 [3] and it **went down** into (the) ground  
 [4-5] and he **was sleeping heavily** and **was weary**  
 [6] and he **died**  
 [7] and behold, Barak **was pursuing** Sisera

[8-9] and (there) **went out**, Jael, **to meet** him  
 [10] and she **said** to him

[1] **come!**  
 [2] and I **will show** you the man

[3] whom you **are seeking**

[4] and he **came** to her

[5-6] and behold, Sisera **having fallen**, **having died!**

[7] and (the) peg (**was**) in his temple!

[5] and (there) **subdued**, God –

[8] in (the) **day**,

[9-10] the that: **Jabin**, **king** of Canaan, before (the) sons of Israel

[1-2] and (there) **went**, (the) hand of (the) sons of Israel, **to go**

[3-4] and severe (it **was**) upon **Jabin**, **king** of Canaan, unto which –

[5-6] they **cut off Jabin**, **king** of Canaan

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[7] and (there) **sang**, **Deborah**

5:1

[8-9] and **Barak**, **son** of Abinoam, in (the) **day**,

[10] the that, **saying**

[1] in (there), **to lead**, (the) leaders in Israel –

[2] in (there), **to volunteer**, (the) people –

[3] **bles** YHWH!

[4-6] (**you**) **hear**, [**O**] **kings**; **give ear**, (**you**) **ruling**

[7-8] I – to YHWH, **I will sing!**

[9-10] **I will make melody** to YHWH, **God** of Israel!

[1-2] YHWH – in **Your**, **to go out** from Seir

[3] in **Your**, **to march** from (the) field of Edom

[1] (the) earth **quaked**

[4] also (the) heavens **dropped**

[5] also (the) clouds **dropped** waters

[2] (the) **mountains gushed** from before YHWH

[3-4] this Sinai, from before YHWH, **God** of Israel

[5-6] in (the) **days** of **Shamgar**, **son** of Anath –

[7] in (the) **days** of **Jael**, (there) **ceased**, (the) highways

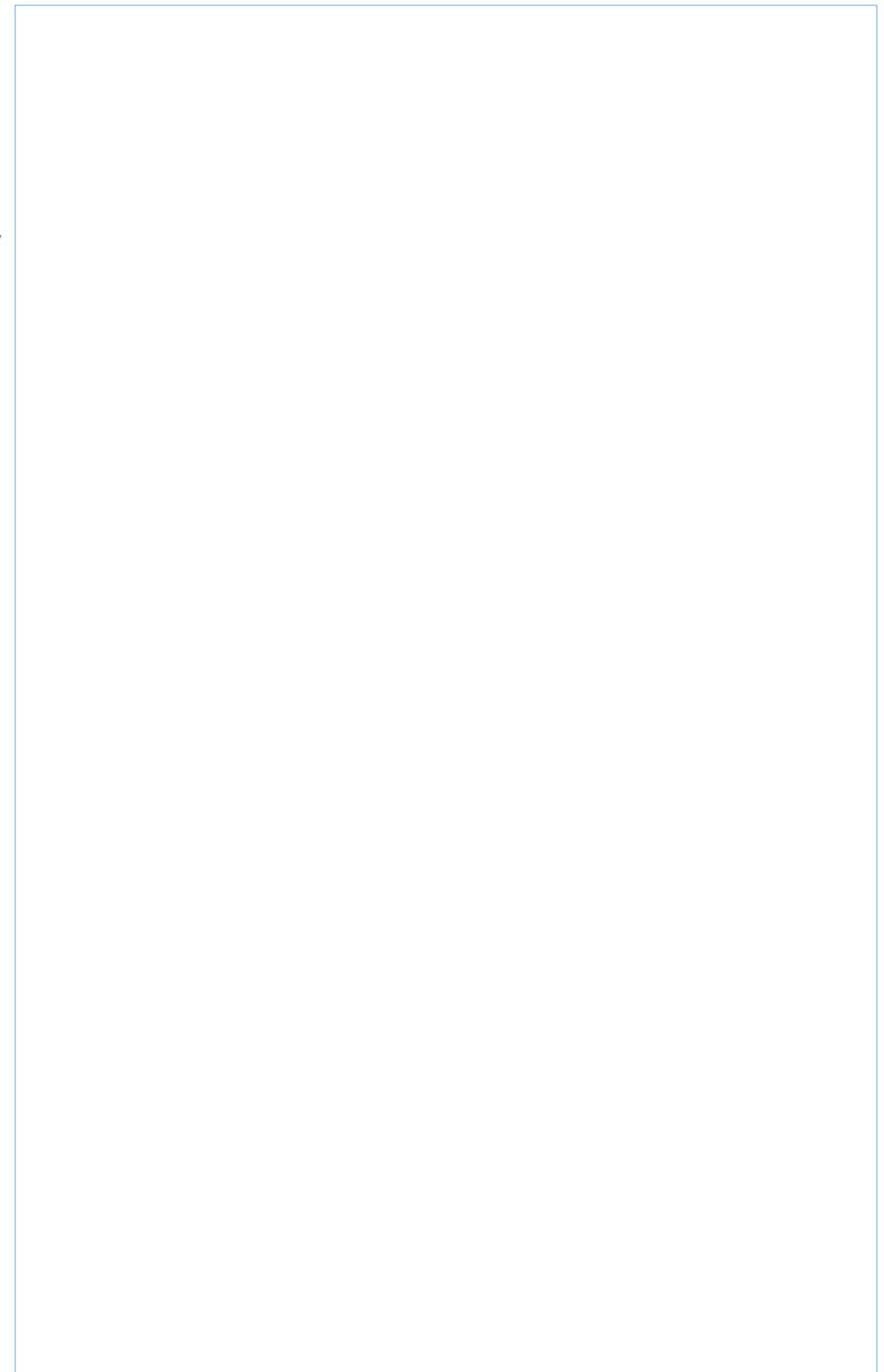
[8-9] and (those) **walking** paths, **walked pathways**, **crooked**

[10] (there) **ceased**, village-life, in Israel



[1] they **ceased** –  
 [2-3] until which, I **arose** – **Deborah!** –  
 [4-5] which, I **arose**, a **mother** in Israel!  
 [1-2] he **chose gods, new**  
 [3] then war (**was**) (at) (the) gates  
 [4-5] a **shield** – if **it was seen** [*it was not seen*] –  
 [6-7] and a spear, among **fours** [*forty*] **thousand** in Israel      40    40,000  
 [8] my heart (**is**) –  
 [9-10] for (those) **commanding** Israel, the, (those) **volunteering**  
     among (the) people  
 [1] (you) **bless** YHWH! –  
 [2-3] (those) **riding donkeys, white**  
 [4] (those) **sitting** upon carpets  
 [5] and (those) **walking** upon a road  
 [6] **meditate!**  
 [7] from (the) voice of (those) **dividing** between watering-places  
 [8-9] there they **recounted** (the) **righteousnesses** of YHWH, (the)  
     **righteousnesses** of His villagers in Israel  
 [10] then (there) **went down** to (the) gates, (the) people of YHWH  
 [1-2] (you) **awake, awake, Deborah!**  
 [3-4] **awake, awake**  
 [5] **speak** a song  
 [1-2] (you) **arise, Barak,**  
 [3-4] and (you) **take captive**, your captivity, [*O*] **son** of Abinoam  
 [5] then (there) **went down**, (the) remnant, to (the) nobles  
 [6] (the) people of YHWH **went down** for me against (the) **mighty**  
 [7-8] from **Ephraim**, their **root**, against Amalek [*valley*]  
 [9-10] after **you, Benjamin**, with your peoples  
 [1-2] from Machir, (there) **went down**, (those) **commanding**  
 [3] and from Zebulun, (those) **leading-along** with (the) staff of a scribe  
 [4] and my princes in Issachar (**were**) with Deborah  
 [5] and Issachar thus (**was**) a lightning-flash [*“barak”*] in (the) valley!  
 [1-2] he **was sent** at his feet (**two**)  
 [3] among (the) divisions of Reuben (there **were**) great resolutions of heart  
 [4-5] why **did** you **sit** between the sheepfolds (**two**)?  
 [6] (**was** it) **to hear** (the) whistles for (the) flocks?  
 [7] to (the) divisions of Reuben (there **were**) great examinations of heart

40 elements



[8] Gilead, beyond the Jordan, **sat**

[9-10] and **Dan** – why **did he occupy** ships?

[1] Asher **sat** at (the) coast of (the) seas

[2] and upon his havens, he **dwelled**

[3-5] **Zebulun (is)** a people, **risking** his soul, **to die** – and **Naphtali** – upon heights of (the) field

[1-2] (there) **came**, (the) kings; they **fought**

[3] then (there) **fought**, (the) kings of Canaan in **Taanach**,

[4] upon (the) waters of **Megiddo**

[5] spoils of silver, they **did not take**

[1] from (the) heavens, (there) **fought**, the stars

[2] from their courses, they **fought** with Sisera

[1] (the) **torrent** of Kishon **swept** them **away**

[2-3] (the) **torrent** of (the) ancients – (the) **torrent** of Kishon

[4] (there) **will walk**, my soul, (with) might!

[5] then (there) **smote**, (the) heels of (the) horse, with **gallops** –

[6] **gallops** of his mighty-steeds

[3] (you all) **curse** Meroz!

[4] **says** (the) angel of YHWH

[5-6] (you all) **curse**, **to curse** –

[7] (those) **inhabiting** her!

[8] because they **did not come** to (the) **help** of YHWH –

[9] to (the) **help** of YHWH, against (the) mighty!

[10] (there) **will be blessed** from (among) women, Jael!

[1-2] (the) wife of **Heber**, the **Kenite** –

[3] from (among) women in tents, she **will be blessed**

[4] water, he **requested**

[5] milk, she **gave**

[6] in a bowl for nobles, she **brought near**, curds

[7] her **hand**, to a tent-peg, she **sent**

[8] and her **right-hand**, to (the) hammer of laborers

[9] and she **smote** Sisera!

[10] she **destroyed** his head!

[1-2] and she **shattered** and **pierced** his temple!

[3-5] between her feet (**two**), he **bowed down**, he **fell**, he **lay still**

[1-2] between her feet (**two**), he **bowed down**, he **fell**

[3-5] in which he **bowed down** – there he **fell**, **being devastated**!

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[1] through the window, (there) **looked down**,  
 [2] and (there) **cried**, (the) mother of Sisera, through the lattice  
 [3-4] why **does** (there) **delay**, his chariot, **to come**?  
 [5] why **do** (there) **tarry**, (the) hoofbeats of his chariots?  
 [6] the wisest of her princesses **answer**  
 [7-8] indeed, **she returns** her words to **herself**  
 [9-10] **have** they **not found**, **divided** (the) spoil?

[1] a **womb** –  
 [2-3] wombs (**two**), for (the) head of a man?  
 [4] spoil of dyed-cloth for Sisera?  
 [5-6] spoil of **dyed-cloth**, **embroidered**?  
 [7-8] dyed-cloth of embroideries (**two**) for (the) necks of spoil?  
 [9-10] thus **let** (there) **perish**, all **Your** enemies, **[O] YHWH!**

[1-2] and (those) **loving** Him, (**let there be**) –  
 [3] as (there), **to go out**, the sun, in his strength!  
 [4-5] and (there) **was quiet**, the land, **fours** [*forty*] **year**

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 [3]

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