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SERIES	The book of Judges contains some of the strangest stories you'll ever hear. These unusual stories are entertaining, confusing, dramatic and even a bit crazy. But they also contain deep spiritual insights and truths. You can't make this stuff up!

1. When did you last fail to obey a boss' or parents order? What was the result?
2. In our study of Judges, an example of a story you "can't just make up" is found. How does God use Ehud? What pattern do the Israelites fall into?
3. What does the sin cycle (sin-rescue-worship-sin) in Judges 2-3 reveal about the justice and mercy of God? Do you think this applies to individuals? Why do you think the people didn't listen to their leaders?
4. Evil is disobedience in the eyes of God. What would you say constitutes evil in our present day?
5. How would you describe the process in James 1:13-15? (sin) What are some signs you're being tempted by evil desire?
6. What 4 ways did Pastor Dave encourage us to guard ourselves?
7. According to Colossians 3:1-4, how are believers to live? How does this contrast to living in ways that don't lead to growth in Colossians 2:16-20?
8. What do you think of Ehud's plan and behavior? How does he deliver Israel? (Judges 3:28-30)? Is there any significance to his being left handed? (Judges 3:15, 21)
9. Pastor Dave mentions four keys to God's rescue (confession, empowerment, through His Word, instant obedience). When have you called out to God and seen Him rescue you in one of these ways? What did that look like? Consider Psalm 121 for ideas from David.
10. In evaluating your own story, are you "halfhearted" or "all-in"? What are some obstacles for you in being more wholehearted.? What steps could you take to resolve this?