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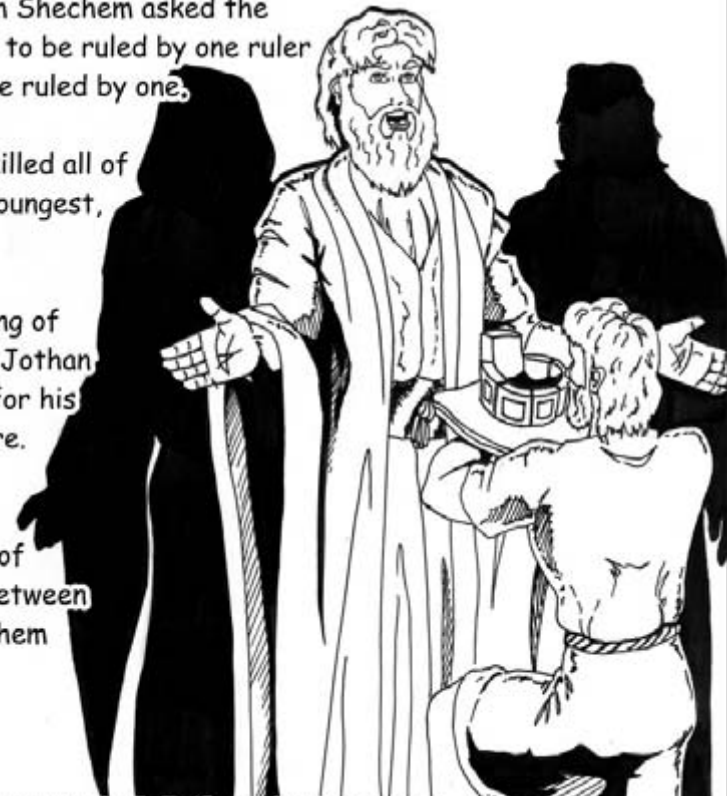
TRUTH IN SCRIPTURE
 Abimelech becomes King
 Judges 9

Gideon had seventy sons by many women. After his death, one of the sons, Abimelech, whose mother was a slave girl from Shechem asked the people of Shechem if they wanted to be ruled by one ruler or seventy rulers. They chose to be ruled by one.

Abimelech gathered an army and killed all of his brothers except Jothan, the youngest, who escaped.

Abimelech had himself crowned king of Israel by the people of Shechem. Jothan challenged Abimelech but in fear for his life he fled to Beer and dwelt there.

Three years after Abimelech was made king of Israel by the people of Shechem, God sent an evil spirit between Abimelech and the people of Shechem to avenge the death of Gideon's seventy sons.



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