

Judges 6 Obey or Disobey?



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Quick Recap The Cycle of Sin

Chapter 1

The little things cause us to drift away from GOD. Collapse in the Christian walk does not tend to happen because of a blowout, it normally happens because of a slow leak.

Chapter 2

We need our older generation investing in the next generation and we need the young generation to ask questions so that they will have their own faith.

Chapter 3

God will allow you things in our lives to test if we will love Him

Chapter 4

There is a price for giving God partial obedience.

Chapter 5

How to respond when God comes through for you?

Evil in the eyes of the LORD

The covenant unfaithfulness. (Spiritual prostitution)

Deuteronomy 28

1. If you fully obey the LORD your God and carefully follow all his commands I give you today, the LORD your God will set you high above all the nations on earth.

25. The LORD will cause you to be defeated before your enemies. You will come at them from one direction but flee from them in seven, and you will become a thing of horror to all the kingdoms on earth.

Living just like the people around them.

They had the law to guide them as to God's standards.

Why we benefit from studying books like Judges!

When we decide to be disobedient to the word of God, sooner or later we will find ourselves in bondage.

1 Cor.10

6 Now these things occurred as examples to keep us from setting our hearts on evil things as they did.

7 When the Israelites cried out to the Lord because of Midian,

8 **he sent them a prophet, who said,** “This is what the Lord, the God of Israel, says: I brought you up out of Egypt, out of the land of slavery.

9 I rescued you from the hand of the Egyptians. And I delivered you from the hand of all your oppressors; I drove them out before you and gave you, their land.

10 I said to you, ‘I am the Lord your God; **do not worship the gods of the Amorites, in whose land you live.’ But you have not listened to me.”**

Notice, this is the first time God sent a prophet with a word instead of deliverance.

Their issue wasn't the Midianites, they had a covenant problem with God. They could see the Midianites and see the results of what the Midianites do, but that's not their real problem.

Have you considered that maybe some of the issues in your life have a spiritual origin rather than a physical origin?

11 The angel of the Lord came and sat down under the oak in Ophrah that belonged to Joash the Abiezrite, where his son Gideon was threshing wheat in a winepress to keep it from the Midianites.

12 When the angel of the Lord appeared to Gideon, he said, “The Lord is with you, mighty warrior.”

13 “Pardon me, my lord,” Gideon replied, “**but if the Lord is with us, why has all this happened to us?** Where are all his wonders that our ancestors told us about when they said, ‘Did not the Lord bring us up out of Egypt?’ But now the **Lord has abandoned us and given us into the hand of Midian.**”

Gleaming from a conversation with God. (the next chapter and a half)

Notice Gideon was stating facts. (As he knew it)

VS 15 My clan is the weakest in Manasseh, and I am the least in my family.”

17 Gideon replied, “If now I have found favor in your eyes, give me a sign that it is really you talking to me. 18 Please do not go away until I come back and bring my offering and set it before you.”

Mark 9:23-24

23 “If You can?” echoed Jesus. “All things are possible to him who believes!” 24 Immediately the boy’s father cried out, “I do believe; help my unbelief!”

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“IF” Shows a like of confidence on Gideon behalf. The question is in who or what? Vs13, 17,and 36

God meets Gideon right where he is!

C6 Vs.14,16,18,23,37-40

C7 Vs 10, 13-15

Obedience in the mist of fear!

C6 vs 18 A reason to worship.

Vs 20 Learning how to follow directions (The simple things count)

Vs. 24 A place to worship

Vs. 25-27 Getting rid of the issue

Vs. 34-35 It's time for battle (Ep.6:10-20)

C7 vs 3,5, and 10-15