

Allen Temple Baptist Church

Sunday School Live 

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Sunday October 15, 2023

Lesson Title: Listening to Gods Judges

Text: Judges 2:11-19

Devotional Reading: Judges 1- 3

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LESSON INTRODUCTION

PEOPLE: Israel's New Generation (Descendants)

ISSUE: Continued Disobedience

PLACE: Land of Canaan

TIME: 350 – 400 years after Joshua's Death

RESULT: God is Forever Faithful.

LESSON GOALS

- 1. Review & understand God's faithfulness to Israel.**
- 2. To gain encouragement from scripture that leads us to trust God and hold on to our faith despite the changes and culture of society.**

QUESTIONS TO REMEMBER

- 1. Who were the Judges ?**
- 2. Who was Baal & Ashtoreth?**
- 3. Why is it necessary to remain faithful to God?**
- 4. Does God really become angry & punish?**
- 5. Why is God's love and mercy important ?**

LESSON OUTLINES

- 1. Unfaithfulness to God (Judges 2:11–14)**
- 2. God's Punishment & Mercy (vs. 15–16)**
- 3. The Cycle of Sin and God's Mercy (vs. 17–19)**

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JUDGES 2:11, 12

¹¹ Then the Israelites did what was evil in the sight of the LORD and served the Baals, ¹² and they abandoned the LORD, the God of their ancestors, who had brought them out of the land of Egypt; they followed other gods, from among the gods of the peoples who were all around them and bowed down to them, and they provoked the LORD to anger.

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Judges 2:14

¹⁴ So the anger of the LORD was kindled against Israel, and he gave them over to plunderers who plundered them, and he sold them into the power of their enemies all around, so that they could no longer withstand their enemies.

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Judges 2:15

¹⁵ Whenever they marched out, the hand of the LORD was against them to bring misfortune, as the LORD had warned them and sworn to them, and they were in great distress.

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Judges 2:16

¹⁶ Then the LORD raised up judges who delivered them out of the power of those who plundered them.

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Judges 2:17

¹⁷ Yet they did not listen even to their judges, for they lusted after other gods and bowed down to them. They soon turned aside from the way in which their ancestors had walked, who had obeyed the commandments of the LORD; they did not follow their example.

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18 Whenever the LORD raised up judges for them, the LORD was with the judge, and he delivered them from the hand of their enemies all the days of the judge, for the LORD would be moved to pity by their groaning because of those who persecuted and oppressed them.

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Romans 8:29 NIV

29 For those God foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, that he might be the firstborn among many brothers and sisters.

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19 But whenever the judge died, they would relapse and behave worse than their ancestors, following other gods, serving them and bowing down to them. They would not drop any of their practices or their stubborn ways.

LESSON SUMMARY

Pray for guidance to boldly proclaim the Good News of salvation to a world that often has deaf ears. We should tell people that the God we serve is the same God of yesterday, today, and tomorrow. We should proclaim to our world that in spite of the hardships we are facing, God is still sovereign (He's in control of His universe and is never out of control of it). We should pledge to encourage people with God's unconditional love—a love that was there for us even when we did not return God's love.