

Lessons from the Judges

Week #3 - How to Subdue a Calf-Like King?
Judges 3:12-30

Three lessons for subduing idols in our lives from the cycle of judges!

1. Lesson #1 – Idolatry leads to bondage under a terrible master! Judges 3:12-14
 - a. “_____ evil” – vs. 12 cf. Judges 2:11-19
 - i. First Commandment – Deuteronomy 5:7
 - ii. The Great Shema – Deuteronomy 6:4-5
 - b. “in the sight of the _____” – vs. 12
 - i. Proverbs 15:3
 - ii. Why is it helpful, to live our lives knowing that God sees?
 - c. The LORD strengthened “_____” – vs. 12
 - i. Eglon = Calf-like- Exodus 32:8
 - ii. Why does the God of Israel strengthens the King of Moab?
 1. Because of “_____ evil”.
 2. Deuteronomy 28:15f; Judges 2:15
 - d. The children of Israel _____ Eglon – vs. 14
 - i. Idols make a _____ master.
 - ii. King of _____ forms an alliance with Ammon and Amalek
 - iii. The Children of Israel _____ Eglon 18 years.
2. Lesson #2 – The LORD delivers those who cry to Him! Judges 3:15-30a
 - a. Why does it take us so long to cry out to the Lord?
 - b. “The _____ raised up a deliverer” – vs. 15 Praise God.
 - i. Ehud - _____, unbroken, union, only”
 - ii. Ehud brings the tribute to Eglon a “_____ man” – vs. 17; cf. Deut. 32:15-17
 - c. “He himself turned back from the _____ that were at Gilgal” vs. 19
 - i. What memorial was at _____ and what was the purpose of this memorial?
Joshua 4:19-24
 - ii. Ehud returns and carries out the assassination against the fatted calf who is anything but wise!
 - iii. The stone images again appear in verse 26
 - d. Moab was subdued under the _____ of the children of Israel. Vs. 30a
3. Lesson #3 – It is good to remind ourselves that each day we need to _____ to serve the Lord! Judges 3:30b
 - a. 80 years is the longest period of rest in the book of Judges!
 - b. What can we do today to help the generations to come to follow the LORD?

“Then the children of Israel did evil in the sight of the LORD, and served the Baals; and they forsook the LORD God of their fathers, who had brought them out of the land of Egypt; and they followed other gods from among the gods of the people who were all around them, and they bowed down to them; and they provoked the LORD to anger. – Judges 2:11-12