



WE NEED A KING
+THE BOOK OF JUDGES+

Part Six : Abimelech

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Judges 8:30-31

What type of legacy am I leaving?

What we expose them to determines who they become.

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“We are called to unleash
Christ-centered, biblically
anchored, world changers.”
– Craig Groeschel

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1. Expose the next generation to the joy of knowing God personally.

Judges 8:1-31

At home:

- Pray regularly
- Make the Bible a priority
- Give thanks for everything

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2. Expose the next generation to the presence and power of God in His Church.

Judges 8:24-27

- If you only trump church for other things, and you never, ever trump anything else for the worship of God, you are sending a very clear message of what your true priorities are.
- Hebrews 10:25

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3. Expose the next generation to the thrill of being used by God.

Judges 8:27

- Christians most often pass the test of adversity; it is the test of prosperity we fail.



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What type of legacy are you leaving?

Judges 8:30-31 (ESV)

³⁰Now Gideon had seventy sons, his own offspring, for he had many wives. ³¹And his concubine who was in Shechem also bore him a son, and he called his name Abimelech.

Judges 8:22-23 (ESV)

²²Then the men of Israel said to Gideon, “Rule over us, you and your son and your grandson also, for you have saved us from the hand of Midian.” ²³Gideon said to them, “I will not rule over you, and my son will not rule over you; the LORD will rule over you.”

Judges 8:24-27 (ESV)

²⁴ And Gideon said to them, “Let me make a request of you: every one of you give me the earrings from his spoil.” (For they had golden earrings, because they were Ishmaelites.) ²⁵ And they answered, “We will willingly give them.” And they spread a cloak, and every man threw in it the earrings of his spoil. ²⁶ And the weight of the golden earrings that he requested was 1,700 shekels of gold, besides the crescent ornaments and the pendants and the purple garments worn by the kings of Midian,

Judges 8:24-27 (ESV)

and besides the collars that were around the necks of their camels.²⁷ And Gideon made an ephod of it and put it in his city, in Ophrah. And all Israel whored after it there, and it became a snare to Gideon and to his family.

Hebrews 10:25 (ESV)

²⁵ not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near.

Judges 8:27 (ESV)

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1 Chronicles 28:9-10 (MSG)

And you, Solomon (insert your name) my son, get to know well your father's God; serve him with a whole heart and eager mind, for God examines every heart and sees through every motive. If you seek him, he'll make sure you find him, but if you abandon him, he'll leave you for good. Look sharp now! God has chosen you to build his holy house. Be brave, determined! And do it!

Ephesians 1:3-11 (NLT)

³All praise to God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly realms because we are united with Christ. ⁴Even before he made the world, God loved us and chose us in Christ to be holy and without fault in his eyes. ⁵God decided in advance to adopt us into his own family by bringing us to himself through Jesus Christ. This is what he wanted to do, and it gave him great pleasure. ⁶So we praise God for the glorious grace he has poured out on us who belong to his

Ephesians 1:3-11 (NLT)

dear Son. ⁷ He is so rich in kindness and grace that he purchased our freedom with the blood of his Son and forgave our sins. ⁸ He has showered his kindness on us, along with all wisdom and understanding.

⁹ God has now revealed to us his mysterious plan regarding Christ, a plan to fulfill his own good pleasure. ¹⁰ And this is the plan: At the right time he will bring everything together under the authority of Christ—everything in heaven and on earth.

¹¹ Furthermore, because we are united with Christ,

Ephesians 1:3-11 (NLT)

we have received an inheritance from God, for he chose us in advance, and he makes everything work out according to his plan.