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(Title Slide)



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Zeal . . . it can be such a good thing.

- We know that zeal for God's house consumed Jesus.**
- We know we are called to exercise our spiritual gifts with zeal.**
- It is fun watching someone do something with zeal and spunk.**

TR: But zeal can go so very wrong.

Romans 10:2

For I bear them witness that they have **a zeal for God, but not according to knowledge.**

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The Apostle Paul says about the Jews of his day . . . READ SLIDE

TR: A zeal that is not according to knowledge will manifest itself in bi-polar believers.



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-- When I speak of “bi-polar,” I am not seeking to minimize the challenge of dealing with the mental illness that goes by that name.

-- Rather, I’m speaking of our zeal that can be “bi-polar” – being extreme up or extreme down

-- . . . zealously going to one pole or the other.

-- My fear is that **INSTEAD OF AUDITING THE PAIN** of the time of the Judges, we are following their lead.

TR: We find ourselves easily drawn to being A YO-YO CHRISTIAN . . . riding the ups and downs of the . . .



5

... “right in our own eyes” faith of God’s people who lived in the centuries before about 1,000 BC . . .

TR: The 5 chapters of what we’ve called the appendix to the book of Judges is obvious in its overall purpose.

**Micah & Danite
Migration
(17-18)**

**Gibeah's Deed
& Punishment
(19-21)**

6

**Religious
Deterioration**

**Moral
Deterioration**

**The first two chapters talk about religious deterioration.
-- The last three, that we are covering today, focus on moral deterioration.**

TR: The editor provides for us what have been called "bookends."

In those days there
was no king in Israel.
Everyone did what
was right in his own
eyes. (17:6)



**In those days there
was no king in Israel
(18:1)**

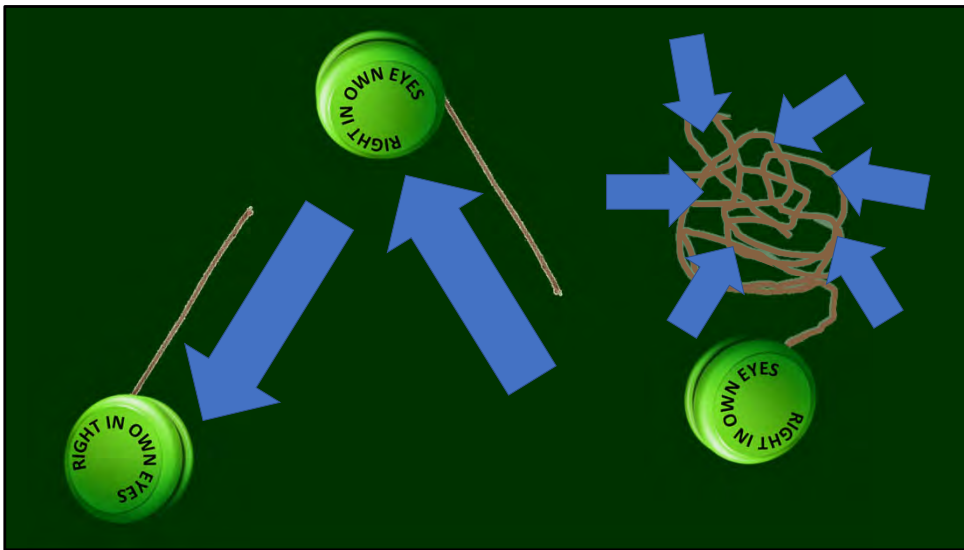
**In those days when
there was no king in
Israel . . . (19:1)**

In those days there
was no king in Israel.
Everyone did what
was right in his own
eyes. (21:25)

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The appendix begins and ends with the same words.
-- And the two accounts are punctuated with the repeated line
about NO KING.

TR: Judges 19-21 shows us THREE MOVEMENTS common to yo-yo
believers.



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These movements fluctuate or vacillate between DOWN and then UP and then sometimes ALL TANGLED.

-- Though at the end of the book of Judges, the account of the civil war with the tribe of Benjamin is from a much earlier time.

TR: We know that this account is from an earlier time, near the beginning of the time of Judges, because . . .

Judges 20:27-28a

And the people of Israel inquired of the LORD (for the ark of the covenant of God was there in those days, ²⁸and **Phinehas the son of Eleazar, son of Aaron, ministered before it in those days**) . . .

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. . . we read in chapter 20 that . . . READ SLIDE

TR: The lineage of the high priests, for those new to the Bible, went from . . .

Aaron → Eleazar → Phinehas

... READ SLIDE

- This is early in the time after the conquest with Joshua.**
- IF THE GARBAGE SMELLED THIS BAD the day after trash pick-up .**
- .. imagine what it will be like a week from now.**
- Or, using a different word picture . . .**
- Jesus said about His crucifixion . . . “For if they do these things when the WOOD IS GREEN, what will happen when it is dry?”
(Luke 23:31)**

TR: THE FIRST MOVEMENT OF A YO-YO BELIEVER is seen in the throwing of the yo-yo . . .



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... down ... “walking the dog” into the vomit of degeneration.

TR: Follow along as we hit the highlights, or perhaps better, THE LOWLIGHTS beginning in chapter 19 ...

In those days, when there was no king in Israel, a certain Levite was sojourning in the remote parts of the hill country of Ephraim, who took to himself a concubine from Bethlehem in Judah.

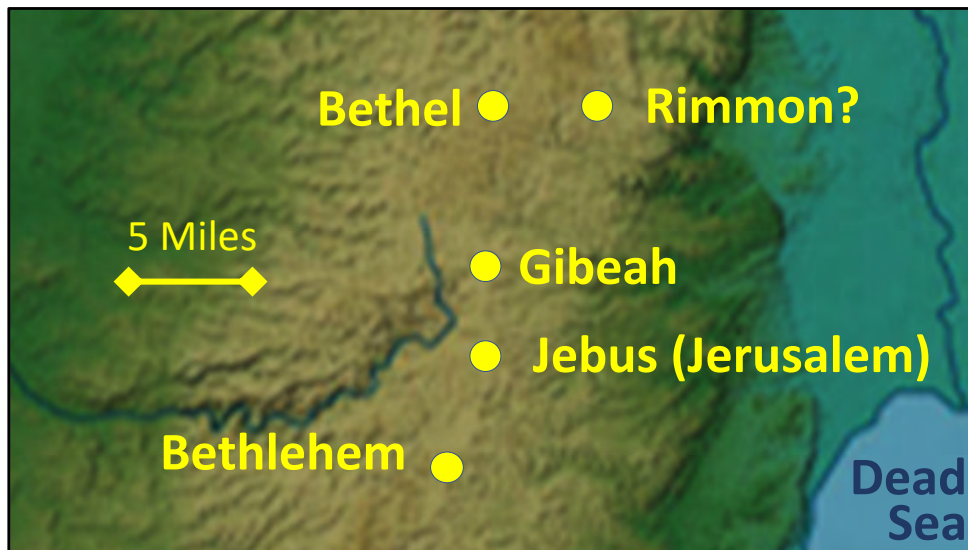
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- A concubine is a wife with certain rights, but she was often also a slave and her children would have no guaranteed inheritance rights.
- She is unfaithful to him . . . or perhaps “angry with him” (NET) and goes to her parent’s home
- After 4 months, the Levite goes to speak kindly to her and bring her back.
- The girl’s dad is thrilled to see the Levite and offers him incredible hospitality.
- This unrelenting hospitality explains why the Levite, with his concubine and servant, would leave so late in the day.

TR: A day’s journey was about 20 miles. You’d always leave in the morning since most major towns were about a day’s journey apart.



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On a map, we see Bethlehem about 4-5 miles south of Jebus.

TR: As daylight was failing and travel became even more dangerous, the servant suggested spending the night in Jebus.

Judges 19:12

And his master said to him, “**We will not turn aside into the city of foreigners**, who do not belong to the people of Israel, but we will pass on to Gibeah.”

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-- It is ironic that the danger did not come from foreigners but from their own people.

TR: The account continues . . .

Judges 19:15b-16c

And he went in and sat down in the open square of the city, for no one took them into his house to spend the night. ¹⁶And behold, an old man was coming from his work in the field at evening. **The man was from the hill country of Ephraim, and he was sojourning in Gibeah.**

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- A clear sign of apostasy was the lack of hospitality.
- There was no need to worry that it would be too costly, noting the loaded donkeys.
- The only one to offer hospitality was a newcomer himself.

TR: The man takes care of his guests and their animals and then the yo-yo goes down into the most vile, degraded behavior . . .

Judges 19:22

As they were making their hearts merry, behold, the men of the city, **worthless fellows**, surrounded the house, beating on the door. And they said to the old man, the master of the house, “Bring out the man who came into your house, that we may know him.”

ESV

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TR: The literal rendering of “worthless fellows” is . . .



READ SLIDE

- no regard for the law or morality
- sons of no profit
- sons of worthlessness

TR: You may remember this word from our study last winter in 2 Corinthians.

2 Corinthians 6:15

What accord has Christ with Belial?
Or what portion does a believer
share with an unbeliever?

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TR: The men of the city . . . seemingly the whole lot of them, want to have homosexual relations with the Levite.

Judges 19:23

And the man, the master of the house, went out to them and said to them, “No, my brothers, **do not act so wickedly**; since this man has come into my house, **do not do this vile thing**.

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TR: Worried about the shame that would come to him as the host, he says something even more vile . . .

Judges 19:24

Behold, here are my virgin daughter and his concubine. Let me bring them out now. Violate them and do with them what seems good to you, but against this man do not do **this outrageous thing.**"

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-- No student of the Bible can miss the connection that is intended with Genesis 19's account of Sodom.

TR: But this time there would be no angels to rescue as they did Lot and his daughters.

Judges 19:25

But the men would not listen to him. **So the (Levite) seized his concubine and made her go out to them.** And they knew her and abused her all night until the morning. And as the dawn began to break, they let her go.

ESV

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- The traveling Levite doesn't seem to wait for an answer.
- Like throwing a piece of meat to a pack of ferocious dogs, he hopes to get them off his scent.
- Gang rape, with all its brutality would lead to her death on the doorstep.

TR: Gibeah is a town of . . .



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... degenerates! A bunch of yo-yos.

TR: Hosea, a prophet who would minister at the end of the northern Kingdom, about 700 BC, would write ...

Hosea 9:9

They have **deeply corrupted themselves as in the days of Gibeah:** he will remember their iniquity; he will punish their sins.

ESV

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-- Hosea is using the town of Gibeah as a symbol of deep corruption.

TR: Hosea would add that the people had deeply corrupted themselves even . . .

Hosea 10:9

From the days of Gibeah, you have sinned, O Israel; there they have continued. Shall not the war against the unjust overtake them in Gibeah?

ESV

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- Am I surprised with how **DOWN IN THE DIRT** professing believers can go?
- Not anymore.

TR: But the movements that make us yo-yo believers is not just about going down into degenerate behavior. It is also about . . .



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... going up into over-reaction.

-- From "walking the dog" to doing an "around the world" (with a yo-yo).

TR: Look at how the Levite and then the people of Israel reacted . . . over-reacted!

And when (the Levite) entered his house, he took a knife, and taking hold of his concubine he divided her, limb by limb, into twelve pieces, and sent her throughout all the territory of Israel.

ESV

READ SLIDE

- After callously throwing her to the dogs and then expecting her to get up and get going . . .**
- . . . this guy's yo-yo goes to the other pole.**
- I don't know how he sent the parts, perhaps with messengers.**
- Imagine if UPS or FEDEX delivered a box to you and it contained a severed head? Would that get your attention?**

TR: The response was what the Levite wanted.

Judges 19:30

And all who saw it said, “Such a thing has never happened or been seen from the day that the people of Israel came up out of the land of Egypt until this day; **consider it, take counsel, and speak.**”

ESV

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-- You hear the echo of this man’s voice today when people stab their finger in the air and growl, “Can you believe . . .”

TR: The people of Israel gather and say . . .

Judges 20:3b-4

And the people of Israel said, “Tell us, how did this evil happen?”⁴ And the Levite, the husband of the woman who was murdered, answered and said, “I came to Gibeah that belongs to Benjamin, I and my concubine, to spend the night.

ESV

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TR: As we go on, look for what’s missing in his testimony and what is exaggerated.

Judges 20:5

And the leaders of Gibeah rose against me and surrounded the house against me by night. They meant to kill me, and they violated my concubine, and she is dead.

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TR: He goes on and says that is why he cut her into pieces . . .

. . . for they have committed abomination and outrage in Israel.
⁷Behold, you people of Israel, all of you, give your advice and counsel here."

ESV

READ SLIDE

- The stated aim of the men of Gibeah was not to kill him but have sexual relations with him.
- And the part about the Levite seizing the concubine and throwing her to the pack somehow didn't make it to the transcript, did it?

TR: Stirring up the mob about the mob action when the yo-yo was at its lowest. The Levite now stirs them up with the yo-yo at its pinnacle of moral outrage . . .

Judges 20:8, 11

⁸And all the people **arose as one man**, saying, “None of us will go to his tent, and none of us will return to his house.”

¹¹So all the men of Israel gathered against the city, **united as one man**.

ESV

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-- The tribes wouldn't be unified like this throughout the time of the Judges.

TR: The charges are brought to the tribe of Benjamin to send out the guilty parties . . .

Judges 20:12b-13

“What evil is this that has taken place among you? ¹³Now therefore give up the men, **the worthless fellows in Gibeah**, that we may put them to death and purge evil from Israel.” **But the Benjaminites would not listen** to the voice of their brothers, the people of Israel.

ESV

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- Another indicator of the Right in Our Own Eyes thinking . . . family trumps what is right in God’s eyes. When family matters more than justice!
 - “How far will you go to protect someone you love?”
 - We are tempted to twist Scripture and say that we are “**LOVING UNCONDITIONALLY.**”
 - Our answer betrays if we love God to such a degree that it looks like we hate our father, mother, sister, and brother.
 - Remember, that comes from Jesus.
 - The rest of the tribes now inquire of Yahweh concerning attacking the army of the tribe of Benjamin.
- TR: They would have inquired of . . .



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. . . the High Priest who was up at Bethel where the Tabernacle and the Ark of the Covenant were at this time.

-- Two battles end with large losses for the 11 tribes.

-- They inquire a third time with fasting and sacrifices and the LORD tells them to go up one more time and that He would give them victory.

TR: Before we move on, remember who has the High Priest, as we read earlier . . .

Judges 20:27-28a

And the people of Israel inquired of the LORD (for the ark of the covenant of God was there in those days, ²⁸and Phinehas the son of Eleazar, son of Aaron, ministered before it in those days) . . .

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TR: This is the same Phinehas that was talked about in Numbers 25

. . .

Numbers 25:7b-8

. . . (Phinehas) rose and left the congregation and took a spear in his hand ⁸and went after the man of Israel into the chamber and pierced both of them, the man of Israel and the woman through her belly. Thus the plague on the people of Israel was stopped.

ESV

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TR: This is the Phinehas whose action was praised later by King David in Psalm 106 . . .

Psalms 106:30-31

Then Phinehas stood up and intervened, and the plague was stayed. ³¹And that was counted to him as righteousness from generation to generation forever.

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TR: What stunned me was when I saw this verse at the end of Joshua . . .

And Eleazar the son of Aaron died, and **they buried him at Gibeah, the town of Phinehas his son**, which had been given him in the hill country of Ephraim.

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- **Gibeah was the town of Phinehas, the man of zeal!**
- **Does the editor include the info about Phinehas to just give us a date reference . . .**
- **. . . or perhaps to note how the zeal was now confused into a bipolar, down and up mess?**

TR: I could not but think of this verse again . . .

For I bear them witness that they have **a zeal for God, but not according to knowledge.**

ESV

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- Did the tribes think back to the account of Phinehas and the plague brought on by the sexual sin with the Midianites?
- Did this memory stir up the mob mentality?
- Did the zeal to do the right thing morph into an unrighteous anger?

**TR: The result of this yo-yo going up into OVER-REACTION was that
...**

Judges 20:46-47

So all who fell that day of Benjamin were 25,000 men who drew the sword, all of them men of valor.
⁴⁷But 600 men turned and fled toward the wilderness to the rock of Rimmon and remained at the rock of Rimmon four months.

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... all but 600 men of the army of Benjamin fell.

TR: With victory theirs, there should have been someone to say, "That's enough." But there wasn't a king and everyone was doing what was right in their own eyes.

Judges 20:48

And the men of Israel turned back against the people of Benjamin and struck them with the edge of the sword, the city, men and beasts and all that they found. And all the towns that they found they set on fire.

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- Responding with justice is what Godly people do.
- Reacting with retaliation and a vengeful spirit is what yo-yos do.

TR: Throughout the Bible, including prophecies directed at other nations, there is the warning against the zealous over-reaction at the defeat of our enemies. For example . . .

Ezekiel 25:15

“Thus says the LORD God: Because the Philistines **acted revengefully and took vengeance with malice of soul to destroy in never-ending enmity,**”

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... in Ezekiel, written some 500 years later, the LORD condemns the Philistines because they acted ... **READ SLIDE**

TR: We see this in our world today, don't we?



42

Our culture can allow a mob mentality to excuse the most perverse actions of degradation.

-- From the horrors of rape, sex trafficking, giving ourselves over to sexual perversion . . .

-- . . . we see it in our culture. And in the church.

-- But we must guard against the yo-yo knee jerk of doing “an around-the-world” and overreacting.

-- Angry and attacking posts in social media that rival cutting up a concubine is not what God has called us to.

-- The USA is not the kingdom of God. The role of government is to punish and restrain evil and promote good. We should seek to influence our government.

-- But the overreaction is filled with anger and bile is not what we are called to as citizens of the Kingdom of Heaven.

TR: THE THIRD MOVEMENT that yo-yo believers tend to manifest is modeled in the last of our chapters.



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TR: After four months, with the remaining 600 holed up in a defensible place in Rimmon, and . . .

Judges 21:1-2

Now the men of Israel had sworn at Mizpah, “No one of us shall give his daughter in marriage to Benjamin.”
²And the people came to Bethel and sat there till evening before God, and they lifted up their voices and wept bitterly.

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- ... there is remorse at the overreaction ... READ SLIDE**
- The non-combatants of Benjamin had been wiped out.**
 - There were no women for the 600 remaining men.**
 - And they had vowed not to give their daughters to these men.**

 - The anger of men had not produced the righteousness of God.**
 - A tribe of Israel would now be lost.**
- TR: What a tangled mess. But then the yo-yos decide they can manipulate their way out of the web they entrapped themselves in.**

Judges 21:5

And the people of Israel said, "Which of all the tribes of Israel did not come up in the assembly to the LORD?" For they had taken a great oath concerning him who did not come up to the LORD to Mizpah, saying, "He shall surely be put to death."

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- When the Levite has stirred up the mob, there were two vows taken.
- No brides for the Benjaminites. A no mercy for those who didn't join in the battle.
- You are either with us or against us.

TR: The instruction given to 12,000 warriors was . . .

“Go and strike the inhabitants of Jabesh-gilead with the edge of the sword; also the women and the little ones. ¹¹This is what you shall do: every male and every woman that has lain with a male you shall **devote to destruction.**”

ESV

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- Don't miss that the “devote to destruction” was the command given to the tribes as they conquered the land.
- They didn't do it with the enemy tribes . . . but now they do it to one of their own cities.
- The results is 400 unmarried gals who would be taken as brides to the remaining Benjaminites .

TR: The 11 tribes, with the first act of manipulation of what is right and wrong, . . .

Judges 21:13, 15

¹³Then the whole congregation sent word to the people of Benjamin who were at the rock of Rimmon and proclaimed peace to them.

¹⁵And the people had compassion on Benjamin because the LORD had made a breach in the tribes of Israel.

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-- Who do these yo-yos blame for the breach? The LORD!

TR: Still shy 200 brides, they then give the remaining bachelors the instruction to . . .

Judges 21:20b-21

“Go and lie in ambush in the vineyards ²¹and watch. If the daughters of Shiloh come out to dance in the dances, then come out of the vineyards and snatch each man his wife from the daughters of Shiloh, and go to the land of Benjamin.”

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Judges 21:24

And the people of Israel departed from there at that time, every man to his tribe and family, and they went out from there every man to his inheritance.

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-- Acting like yo-yo faith is normal and that everything is fine again

...

TR: Those yo-yos did what they did because . . .

In those days there was no king in Israel. Everyone did what was right in his own eyes.

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- Some in our world want to go back to those days . . . calling for the defunding of law enforcement.
- But without changed hearts, the result will be anarchy. And anarchy opens the way for dictators who promise law and order, even if we must give up civil rights.

TR: I can think of at least 6 take-aways, auditing the pain of a time in history that sounds so much like our own. They all challenge us .

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Don't be a Yo-Yo

Don't be astonished at the depths of our world's sin and then overlook our complicity.

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- Like the Levite's ire with the people of Gibeah while forgetting to acknowledge his own sin of throwing his concubine to the dogs.
- Yo-yos think the answer to a better world is "to fix them!"
- Do you want a better world for your children?
- The answer begins with you being a follower of Jesus who shows allegiance to Him in all things.

TR: Don't be a yo-yo . . .



Don't be a Yo-Yo

Don't be stirred up to overreact beyond justice to retaliation and vengeance.

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- Yo-yos think stirring up others by sending out gruesome messages like hacked up body parts is OK.
- “We’ve got to move people to action!”
- But crowds are just as likely to get moved by one atrocity into a destructive horde of rioters and looters.
- Don’t let the historical narratives of the Bible be twisted out of shape to support our own agendas.
- It was recorded that they did it so that we don’t!

TR: Don’t be a yo-yo . . .



Don't be a Yo-Yo

If we've under- or over-reacted, stop trying to manipulate our way forward.

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Perhaps we have been like the tribe of Benjamin and under-reacted . . . protecting our own rather than being people of justice.

-- We all have over-reacted at some time. And the result of our slash and burn methods has resulted in devastation that brings us to weeping.

-- Some of us have done this in our personal relationships with our friends and family.

-- The answer is not to try to figure out some way to get around the consequences and even our "vows."

-- If we've messed up, the answer is to own it, repent, ask for forgiveness, and then manifest the fruits of repentance.

-- The other persons may not give you what you want, but that is their issue to answer to God for.

-- As for you . . . seek to be at peace with all men.

-- And when we correct someone, let it be with gentleness.

TR: Don't be a yo-yo . . .



Don't be a Yo-Yo

*If we are a child of the King,
stop acting
like a "son of Belial."*

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- Just because we live in a "right in your own eyes" time of moral relativity . . .
- . . . that doesn't mean we have to live that way.
- We are not lemmings who follow the crowd off the cliff.
- We are the salt of the world and we must work to slow down the degrading of our world.
- We know that we will not be able to ultimately stop it . . . so we pray, "Come quickly, Lord Jesus."
- In the meantime, we remember that our names are written in the book of Life,
- . . . that we are pilgrims passing through, sojourners looking forward to our eternal home.
- We are the King's kids, not the yo-yo sons and daughters of the Devil!

TR: Don't be a yo-yo . . .



Don't be a Yo-Yo

***Watch what
we say and post.***

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- Our country's divisions are obvious. Many are calling for civility.
- But civility comes from a theology that says all people are made in the image of God and therefore have value.
- We can listen without condoning. We can try to understand without being agreeing.
- CF. limited response to my 11 page paper . . . too long, too wordy, too . . . not sound bites, not slogans, not chants, not hacked body parts.
- Isn't it time to stop irreverent babble that leads people into more and more ungodliness, spreading like gangrene?

TR: Don't be a yo-yo . . .



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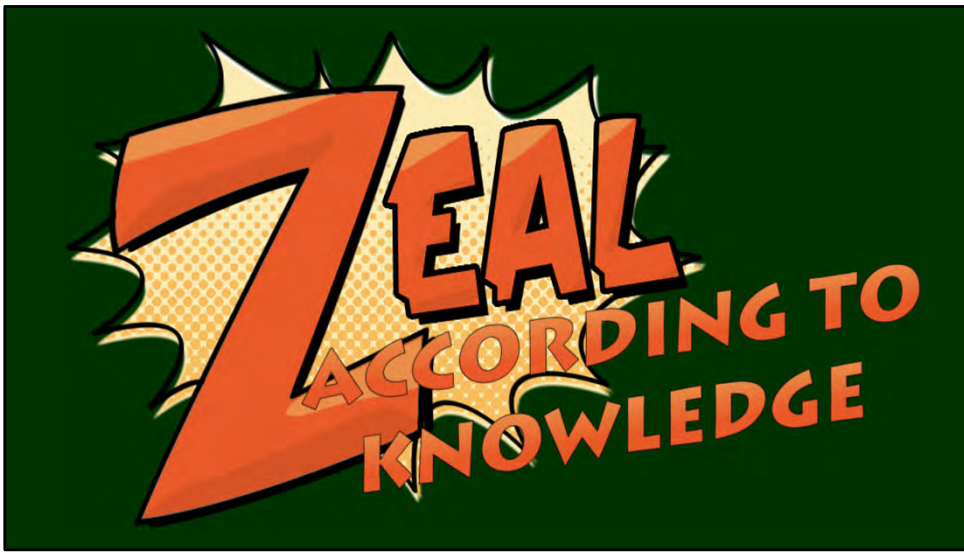
Stop quarreling about “sound bites” and handle correctly the profitable Word of God.

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- Yo-yos argue sound bites . . . but don't bite into the meat of the Word.
- Isn't it time to stop having “a simple faith?”
- Isn't it time to stop being weak willed, being tossed here and there by every wind of doctrine?
- Isn't it time to stop our so-called learning that never arrives at the knowledge of the truth?

TR: A yo-yo is someone who has a zeal for God, but not according to knowledge. What we must pray for and pursue is to be people who have . . .



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DISCUSSION/REFLECTION QUESTIONS (1 of 3)

- 1) (Just for fun) Did you ever play with a yo-yo as a kid? What were the tricks you could do?**
- 2) What is some of the evidence you see in our culture of “Yo-Yo” extremes? Going down into degradation? Going up into overreaction?**
- 3) What is the evidence of these “Yo-Yo” extremes even within professing Christ-followers? What impact do these extremes have on our testimony for Christ?**

DISCUSSION/REFLECTION QUESTIONS (2 of 3)

- 4) What relationship do you think there is between “overreaction” and the wrangling about words and quarreling that Paul warns Timothy about in 2 Timothy?
- 5) Zeal can be a great thing. How could you explain the difference between zeal that is/is not “according to knowledge?”

DISCUSSION/REFLECTION QUESTIONS (3 of 3)

- 6) Which of Gary's six application admonishments ("Don't be a Yo-Yo") hit you the hardest? Why?**

- 7) What is God calling you to do in response to His Word this week? Are you trying to manipulate your way out of a tangled mess? If so, ask for prayer and counsel and seek God's way out.**

JUDGES 19-21
 "Don't be a yo-yo!"
 the danger of "trial" but not according
 to knowledge" (Romans 10:2)

Overview of the "Appendix" to Judges (17-21):

WITCH'S CURSE Magicians (17-18)	GIBBY'S DEED & PUNISHMENT (19-21)
E Execution	D Deterrence

Dating of chapters 19-21: _____ was the High Priest

THREE MOVEMENTS OF A YO-YO BELIEVER:

1) DOWN → D. _____ (19:3-28)
 a. Compare verses 9:9 and 10:9

2) UP → U. _____ (19:29-20:46)
 a. Other texts about Philistines
 i. Numbers 25:7-8
 ii. Psalm 136:10-11
 iii. Joshua 24:13
 b. Compare Ezekiel 25:15 regarding destruction

3) TANGLED → M. _____ (21:1-25)

DON'T BE A YO-YO:

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(Judges 17:6 and 21:25)

[LINK TO SERMON NOTES AND DISCUSSION QUESTIONS](#)