



## **Taking Back What the Enemy has Stolen**

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### **1 Samuel 7:3-4**

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Do you feel that you have lost something in your spiritual life . . . your peace, your purpose, your passion for God? Perhaps, what is missing was not really lost but was stolen by the enemy. Spiritual complacency and compromise will open the door for the enemy every time.

Complacency and compromise plagued the Israelites in the time of the Judges. It caused them to be distant from God and to live in defeat to the enemy. For over twenty years, the Israelites lived in defeat to the Philistines. They had robbed them of peace and stolen their land.

In our text, Samuel, the last Judge of Israel, led the Israelites to turn back to the Lord and to take back what the Philistines had stolen.

### **Main Thought...**

➔ You can't take back what the enemy has stolen until you turn back to the Lord with your \_\_\_\_\_.

1. \_\_\_\_\_ **to the Lord with all your heart (v. 3a).**

Deut. 4:29; Zech. 1:3; Jm. 4:8

2. \_\_\_\_\_ **false gods from among you (v. 3b).**

Deut. 11:16; Ezek. 14:6; 1 Jn. 5:21

3. \_\_\_\_\_ **your life on serving the Lord (v. 3c).**

Deut. 10:12; 1 Thess. 1:9; 1 Pt. 4:10

4. \_\_\_\_\_ **God's deliverance from the enemy (v. 3d-4).**

1 Sam. 7:9-10, 12-14; Ps. 34:17

### **Final Thoughts...**

➔ Are you ready to \_\_\_\_\_ back what the enemy has stolen?

➔ Are you willing to \_\_\_\_\_ back to the Lord with all your heart?