



## CALVARY CHAPEL

### Disobedience and Defeat

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***Judges 2:6-10** After Joshua had dismissed the Israelites, they went to take possession of the land, each to their own inheritance. **7** The people served the LORD throughout the lifetime of Joshua and of the elders who outlived him and who had seen all the great things the LORD had done for Israel. **8** Joshua son of Nun, the servant of the LORD, died at the age of a hundred and ten. **9** And they buried him in the land of his inheritance, at Timnath Heres in the hill country of Ephraim, north of Mount Gaash. **10** After that whole generation had been gathered to their ancestors, another generation grew up who knew neither the LORD nor what he had done for Israel.*

- **Main Point #1:** Our relationship with God must be **personal**. It can't be obtained from our parents, families, or friends.

***Romans 10:14** But how can they call on him to save them unless they believe in him? And how can they believe in him if they have never heard about him? And how can they hear about him unless someone tells them?*

***Judges 2:11-13** Then the Israelites did evil in the eyes of the LORD and served the Baals. **12** They forsook the LORD, the God of their ancestors, who had brought them out of Egypt. They followed and worshiped various gods of the peoples around them. They aroused the LORD's anger **13** because they forsook him and served Baal and the Ashtoreths.*

***Colossians 3:5** Put to death, therefore, whatever belongs to your earthly nature: sexual immorality, impurity, lust, evil desires and greed, which is idolatry.*

- **Main Point #2:** Christ followers are called to think differently and to ACT differently than the world does!

***Judges 2:14-15** In his anger against Israel the LORD gave them into the hands of raiders who plundered them. He sold them into the hands of their enemies all around, whom they were no longer able to resist. **15** Whenever Israel went out to fight, the hand of the LORD was against them to defeat them, just as he had sworn to them. They were in great distress.*

***Deuteronomy 11:22** ...to love the LORD your God, to walk in obedience to him and to hold fast to him—*

***Deuteronomy 11:26-28** I am setting before you today a blessing and a curse— the blessing if you obey the commands of the LORD your God that I am giving you today; the curse if you disobey the commands of the LORD your God and turn from the way that I command you today by following*

other gods, which you have not known.

*Hebrews 12:6 (NLT) For the LORD disciplines those he loves, and he punishes each one he accepts as his child."*

- **Main Point #3:** When God's children choose rebellion and disobedience, they are also **choosing** to be disciplined (disaster).

*Judges 2:16-19 Then the LORD raised up judges, who saved them out of the hands of these raiders. 17 Yet they would not listen to their judges but prostituted themselves to other gods and worshiped them. They quickly turned from the ways of their ancestors, who had been obedient to the LORD's commands. 18 Whenever the LORD raised up a judge for them, he was with the judge and saved them out of the hands of their enemies as long as the judge lived; for the LORD relented because of their groaning under those who oppressed and afflicted them. 19 But when the judge died, the people returned to ways even more corrupt than those of their ancestors, following other gods and serving and worshiping them. They refused to give up their evil practices and stubborn ways.*

- Sin --> Bondage --> Deliverance --> **Blessing** --> Sin...

*Judges 2:20-23 Therefore the LORD was very angry with Israel and said, "Because this nation has violated the covenant I ordained for their ancestors and has not listened to me, 21 I will no longer drive out before them any of the nations Joshua left when he died. 22 I will use them to test Israel and see whether they will keep the way of the LORD and walk in it as their ancestors did." 23 The LORD had allowed those nations to remain; he did not drive them out at once by giving them into the hands of Joshua.*

- **Main Point #4:** Having a hard heart usually results in having a hard life.

*Judges 3:1-6 These are the nations the LORD left to test all those Israelites who had not experienced any of the wars in Canaan 2 (he did this only to teach warfare to the descendants of the Israelites who had not had previous battle experience): 3 the five rulers of the Philistines, all the Canaanites, the Sidonians, and the Hivites living in the Lebanon mountains from Mount Baal Hermon to Lebo Hamath. 4 They were left to test the Israelites to see whether they would obey the LORD's commands, which he had given their ancestors through Moses. 5 The Israelites lived among the Canaanites, Hittites, Amorites, Perizzites, Hivites and Jebusites. 6 They took their daughters in marriage and gave their own daughters to their sons, and served their gods.*

*2 Corinthians 6:14 Do not be yoked together with unbelievers. For what do righteousness and wickedness have in common? Or what fellowship can light have with darkness?*

*2 Corinthians 6:17 Therefore, "Come out from them and be separate, says the Lord.*

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