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Sermon Discussion Curriculum – Week 7 Judges 17-18 – July 18, 2021

Helpful Resources for Studying Judges

Judges for You by Tim Keller – <http://bit.ly/JudgesForYou>

The BibleProject Overview of Judges – <http://bit.ly/OverviewJudges>

The Book of Judges by J.D. Greear (RightNow Media) – <http://bit.ly/JudgesByGreear>

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Allow God to speak to you through his written Word. The goal of this time is to have quality connection and time together. Choose questions from Know, Grow and Show that will best help your group discuss the passage and take their next steps of faith. Don't feel like you have to use all of the questions. Feel free to add your own too! We are praying for you as you lead your D-Group this week!



KNOW:

- We live in an age of convenience. Think about your daily routine - what are some things that you do or use that make your life easier or more convenient?
- Has anything ever been stolen from you? What was it, and was it ever returned?
- What is your most-prized possession that people can look at but not touch? (For example: golf clubs, a cute outfit, a football autographed by former Razorback standout Mark Henry).
- Have you ever heard or used the saying, "two wrongs don't make a right"? What does that saying mean? Have you ever seen it in practice? What was the result?
- What areas or places in our culture today do you see people doing what seems "right in their own eyes"?



GROW:

- What began with a son stealing from his mother, ends in the entire tribe of Dan practicing idolatry. Satan loves to use small steps of sin that seem inconsequential but result in us ending up in a place we never thought we would go. Have you seen a similar progression play out either in your life or in the life of someone close to you? What are some small compromises you have currently made that you need to turn from before they compound any further?
- Talk about the commands that Micah and his mother broke in Chapter 17. Refer to Exodus 20:3 and 20:15. Why are we tempted to justify or rationalize the sin in our own life or in the lives of others? What is the right response to sin?
- In Chapter 17 verse 7 we meet another man who is a Levite priest, what compromises does he make to God's commands? What life circumstance led to his compromise?
- One of the qualities that Micah and the Levite were lacking was discernment. They knew about God and wanted him to be a part of their daily life but were motivated by convenience and didn't recognize that they were violating God's commands. What are some ways that we can increase our level of spiritual discernment?
- F.B. Meyer wrote, "Whatever can be taken from us has the mark and signature of man upon it." Have you ever had a "god" that you depended on taken away? Share with your group about that experience and what you learned.
- Micah externally appeared to be very religious, but he sought to serve God in a way he wanted to – not in the way God had instructed. Spend some time asking God to search your heart and to reveal areas where you're doing things your way instead of His.



SHOW:

- Finding ourselves in difficult circumstances can lead us to compromise God's word in our lives. How do we avoid compromising God's word, but remain steadfast in our faith?
- Do you find yourself embracing the blessings of Christ while ignoring or dismissing the more difficult commands of scripture? Are you a devoted Christ-follower or are you practicing empty religious acts without really knowing and surrendering your life to God?
- The Tribe of Dan decided that their own land was too difficult to conquer so they went looking for easier land to conquer for themselves. Is there something in your life right now that God is calling you to do that feels too difficult or uncomfortable? Share that with your group and ask for their encouragement and accountability.
- God has given us each other for counsel, wisdom, and discernment. But sometimes we can use others as a crutch rather than going directly to God about something. Are there times when you look to other people around you for what God says rather than going directly to him and his word? Spend some time together in prayer confessing and then ask God for wisdom and discernment.