

THE TRUE KING REIGNS

A Faithful God, A Faithless People

Judges Part 2 | Brian Criscuolo | April 19, 2020

Intro: Redemptive History and Judges

I. God's Rebuke (Judges 2:1-5)

II. Israel's Remissness (Judges 2:6-10)

III. Israel's Repetition (Judges 2:11-19)

- Israel does what is evil (vv. 11-13)
- God punishes them (vv. 14-15)
- God shows them grace (vv. 16 and 18)
- Israel does what is evil (vv. 17 and 19)
- Israel's sin grew increasingly worse (v. 19)

IV. God's Response (Judges 2:20-23)

Discussion questions for you and your small group.

1. In the sermon on Sunday, we talked about the larger storyline of the Bible that Judges finds itself situated within. Take some time as a group and discuss what was talked about regarding the Bible's "grand narrative" and its relationship to the book of Judges. If you only had one sentence to explain this "grand narrative" to someone, what would that sentence be?
2. In Judges 2:10 we read regarding the nation of Israel that "there arose another generation after them who did not know the Lord . . ." This lack of knowledge by the generation post-Joshua led to their failure to obey God as they inhabited and lived in the Promised Land. In your own life have you noticed a correlation between the times you've sought to know God deeper and your ability to live in joyful obedience to Him? Share some examples with the group. What are some things you can do individually and as a group to increase your knowledge of God?
3. In Judges 2:11-19 we saw a pattern of unfaithfulness by the nation of Israel, and how that led to God justly punishing them. Are there patterns of unfaithfulness in your life? Share with your group. Can you point to any specific times when you think God punished/disciplined you for your unfaithfulness?
4. Now that we've talked about our unfaithfulness, let's talk about God's unending faithfulness to us as believers. In your Christian life, how have you seen God be faithful to you in sanctifying you and growing you in Christlikeness? Have you allowed the times when God has punished/disciplined you to train you and bring you to repentance, obedience, and a deeper love of Him?