

DOING LIFE TOGETHER

10. What things act like idols in your life that threaten your allegiance to God?

11. The community of faith is meant to be the place where faith is transmitted. In this church community, who are you responsible to teach to love the Lord with all their heart, soul, mind, and strength?

How are you teaching them?

If you aren't, where or how can you start?

12. We live in a world that is filled with darkness. Some of these scenes from Judges would not be out of place in our newsfeed. How can we point others to our need for a Savior while standing firm in this darkness?

What obstacles stand in the way of you achieving that?

Prayer Requests

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Living for Righteousness

1 John 2:28—3:10

What do I need to do with what I have heard today?

GROWTH GROUP HOMEWORK

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THINKING THINGS THROUGH

1. Who has helped you to distinguish between right and wrong in your life?

What are key lessons you have learned along the way?

2. Imagine you find yourself in a situation where right and wrong are not so clear. Where do you look to find the answer?

3. If you are a follower of Jesus, how does this ability grow and diminish depending on your relationship with Jesus?

DIGGING DEEPER

READ JUDGES 2:6-10.

4. This section of Judges includes the shocking claim that, within one generation, the people of Israel forgot the Lord and the works He had done for Israel. What failures had to happen for a shift like this to occur (see Leviticus 10:11 and Deuteronomy 6:4-9)?

What did it mean that they did not know the Lord?

5. Prior to the events of Judges, Joshua gave the Israelites a charge as they entered the land (see Joshua 24:19-20, 23). What did Joshua call on them to do?

Why was this something that needed to be stressed to them?

6. The drift we see in Judges is certainly not limited to that place in time. What must we do if we want to keep our families and successive generations from drifting away from the Lord?

7. What were the “Baals” and the “Ashtoreths”?

What piece of God’s wisdom did Israel neglect in order to follow these idols?

8. What fruit resulted in the Israelites’ lives as they continued to do what was right in their own eyes?

READ JUDGES 2:16-23.

9. Even at the depth of sin and darkness, what hope did God extend to His rebellious people?

Who are the Judges, and what did God use them to do?