



TODAY'S TEACHING

JUDGES: WHY MEN NEED THE KING! Talk 4 THE KING OF UNRELENTING COMMITMENT TO HIS PEOPLE Judges 3 July 11/13, 2023

I. REVIEW: ISRAEL AS THE PEOPLE OF GOD IN THE OLD TESTAMENT TIME:

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II. PARALLEL: THE CHURCH AS THE PEOPLE OF GOD IN THE NEW TESTAMENT TIME:

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III. HOW GOD SHOWS HIS UNRELENTING COMMITMENT TO US:

- 1. He Tests to Reveal**
- 2. He Disciplines to Develop**
- 3. He Delivers to Restore**

TEAM TALK

1. Make sure you get the big idea between Point I and II above, that the Church is the People of God today, and that our role today is similar as Israel's role was in the Old Testament time of the Judges. Why is this such a big and important principle for Christian men to grasp today?
2. Discuss some ways that God has tested your faith recently or in the past? What did the test reveal about you?
3. How have you experienced the discipline of the Lord in your life? Did it help you grow spiritually? How?
4. When you got through the discipline, how did you feel?
5. How great a God do we have anyway!!!

DAWG: DAY 1- Read Judges 3 & review any notes you took at FORGE. What did you find the Lord saying to you in the text today that you might have missed at FORGE? DAY 2- Read Ephesians 2- the entire chapter, and see how Gentile Christians have been put into the same family with believing Jewish Christians so that we now have one new People of God. Put it firmly in your mind that we the Church are the People of God now in NT times and need to be holy and on mission to advance Christ's Kingdom. How does this realization affect how we live our lives in the real world? How does it affect how we view the Church? DAY 3- Read I Peter 2:9-10 and check out the language used for Christians. How does this affirm what you read yesterday in Ephesians 2? How should Christians see their status in the world today, even though we are so often criticized by so many? DAY 4- Read I John 5-10- What do we Christians do when we sin? DAY 5- Read Hebrews 12. Have you been disciplined? What have you learned?

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