

Judges 2 - HANDOUT

Section 1 – Judges 2:1–5

Bochim: Covenant Faithfulness & Shallow Sorrow

Read: 2:1–5

Questions:

- As a group, what's the difference between being emotionally moved about sin and actually repenting?
- How does this passage (especially verse 2) challenge us to think about the difference between feeling sorry and actually obeying God?
- What does real obedience look like in a community of believers?

Section 2 – Judges 2:6–10

The Next Generation That “Did Not Know the LORD”

Read: 2:6–10

Questions:

- *Verse 10 speaks of a generation that “did not know the LORD.”* What does this teach us about the importance of passing on faith?
- What are some practical ways a church or family can intentionally pass the faith to the next generation, beyond just “going to church together”?

Section 3 – Judges 2:11–13

Idolatry: Trading the LORD for Baal & Ashtoreth

Read: 2:11–13

Questions:

- Verses 11–13 describe Israel being influenced by the culture around them. What are some modern “influences” or priorities that can shift a believer or a church away from focusing on the Lord?

Section 4 – Judges 2:14–15

Discipline: When God’s Hand Is Against, Not For

Read: 2:14–15

Questions:

- This section shows God using difficulty to get Israel’s attention. How should believers today think about hardship or closed doors in light of these verses?
- How can we discern the difference between normal trials of life and discipline meant to correct us?
- What role does Scripture and wise counsel play?

Section 5 – Judges 2:16–19

The Judges Cycle: Mercy, Deliverance, Then Deeper Corruption

Read: 2:16–19

Questions:

- Why do you think people often turn to God in crisis but drift away in comfort?
- The cycle in these verses shows Israel drifting away repeatedly. What helps a person or a church stay spiritually steady instead of repeating the same cycles?
- How can we help one another avoid this “rollercoaster” spirituality?

Section 6 – Judges 2:20–23

Tests, Thorns, and Snares: When God Leaves “Enemies” in Place

Read: 2:20–23

Questions:

- According to verse 22, God allowed certain challenges to remain as a test. How can challenges, pressures, or “unfinished battles” help shape or test the faith of believers today?