



Sunday 6th September 2026

Judges 1:1 – 2:5 – “After Joshua”

True disciples trust and obey the LORD for victory (1:1-18)

Halfway disciples create unstable futures (1:19-36)

God’s disciples receive his grace and bow to his Lordship (2:1-5)

Questions to discuss in our Growth Groups and personal reflection

True disciples trust and obey the LORD for victory (1:1-18)

In what period of Israel's history is the book of Judges set (see v.1)?

Reading verses 4-6, why do we find these stories difficult to swallow & justify?

How does Adoni-Bezek's response in v.7 begin to help us make sense of what is going on?

So, if Judah trusted & obeyed God's commands, how are you allowing God's Word to dwell in your heart & affect your life?

God's concern in wiping out the evil inhabitants of Canaan was for the purity of His people (see Joshua 23:7-8). What dangers do you face in being influenced by the world's values? How will you resolve to protect yourself over the next few months?

Halfway disciples create unstable futures (1:19-36)

How does verse 19 show a shift in the faith of the tribes of Israel? What was the pattern that followed and why?

Can you think of times when you were passionate & brave in your faith and other times when you gave in to compromise? What causes each?

When do you find it hardest to follow God's commands instead of your own "common sense"?

God's disciples receive his grace and bow to his Lordship (2:1-5)

Why do you think the angel first reminded people of God's grace? How do you need to be reminded of God's grace to you in Jesus?

Where are you saying to God, "I can't" but he is saying, "You won't"? How will you bow to his Lordship and live in the Spirit's power?