



Lesson One: The Snare

Judges 2:1-5

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2 Now the angel of the LORD went up from Gilgal to Bochim. And he said, “I brought you up from Egypt and brought you into the land that I swore to give to your fathers. I said, ‘I will never break my covenant with you, ² and you shall make no covenant with the inhabitants of this land; you shall break down their altars.’ But you have not obeyed my voice. What is this you have done? ³ So now I say, I will not drive them out before you, but they shall become thorns in your sides, and their gods shall be a snare to you.” ⁴ As soon as the angel of the LORD spoke these words to all the people of Israel, the people lifted up their voices and wept. ⁵ And they called the name of that place Bochim. And they sacrificed there to the LORD.

Discussion Questions:

1. What is worship? How is worship much more than singing on Sunday morning?
2. What are the kingdoms of this world? How do these earthly kingdoms compete with the kingdom of God?
3. Why is our study through the book of Judges entitled “Kingless”? What happened to the people of Israel when they had no king? (See Judges 21:25) What happens to us when we fail to see God as our king?
4. What is a covenant? How did the people of Israel make a covenant with false gods?
5. What are some of our modern-day idols? How do our idols become a snare to us?
6. How did the people of Israel respond to the angel’s message? (See Judges 2:4) What does this teach us about genuine repentance?