



Lesson Fourteen: The Kingdom Without the King

Judges 19:1, Judges 21:25

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Judges 19 ¹In those days, when there was no king in Israel, a certain Levite was sojourning in the remote parts of the hill country of Ephraim, who took to himself a concubine from Bethlehem in Judah.

Judges 21 ²⁵In those days there was no king in Israel. Everyone did what was right in his own eyes.

Discussion Questions:

1. How would you summarize the primary message of the book of Judges?
2. Why is the final story of Judges a fitting end to a tragic book?
3. How did the people of Israel become just like their surrounding culture? What are some ways our culture has influenced you?
4. How should we respond to the final story of Judges? How should we respond to our own sin?
5. In what way are we enemies of God? (See Romans 5:10) Why did Jesus call us to love our enemies? How did Jesus love His enemies?
6. How is sin self-destructive? How are our own attempts to solve our problems also self-destructive?
7. How does this story (and the rest of Judges) reveal our need for a Savior King?