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As you read Judges, please understand:

- 1. The author is not writing about society in general, but rather about the $people \ of \ God$.
- 2. You are not simply reading biblical history; you are looking in the mirror.
- 3. The underlying issue of life always has to do with the one who is on the throne.
- 4. God will not tolerate my sin, but He will always respond when 1 genuinely turn to Him.
- 5. There are exceptions, and exceptions stand out.

THE ONE THING: not everyone:

Miss something? Completed sermon notes are available online. Binders to organize your sermon notes are available at the upstairs Welcome Desk.

NEXT**STEPS**

- O Memorize Judges 21:25 & Ruth 1:16-17.
- O Do the CBE readings for this week.
- O Actually use the mirror!
- O I desire to be baptized... please contact me.



WEEK 2: JUDGES & RUTH

Welcome to the second week of our CBE journey!

This week, we'll move into a tragic time in Israel's history. God has given His people an appropriate home, but pockets of resistance remain and His people decide to live side-by-side the remaining Canaanites...leading to their rebellion. This is a time where "everyone did as they saw fit"; it's also a time when a young Moabite woman lives a life of faith in the midst of darkness.

Remember to read for distance. Rather than getting bogged down in the details, concentrate on the big-picture story. And enjoy the journey!

Source: "Invitation Joshua/Judges," p. 297; "Invitation to Ruth," p. 371.

JOIN THE CONVERSATION

Think of your weekly discussion group as more of a book club than a Bible study. All you have to do is share your responses to five simple questions:

- 1. What's something you noticed for the first time?
- 2. What **questions** did you have?
- 3. Was there anything that **bothered** you?
- 4. What did you learn about loving God?
- 5. What did you learn about loving others?