

Where are you?????

Adam : "Where are you?"

Abel : "Where is Abel your brother?"

The escape can happen in two ways:

- 1) Frequent fleeing and return: we will use the Judges era as a model.
- 2) Gradual shift: using the kings era to illustrate.

### **Lecture 1:** Intro about

Story of salvation from slavery in Egypt. 1500 BC

Lack of faith—> lost in the wilderness.

Conquest of the promised land( full of milk and honey)

the possession of the promised land( 12 tribes, their land)

Joshua 24:2-27

Judges 2: 10-15( 1400-1000 BC)

Why : Judges 1:28

The target was to have a godly nation following the commandments of God, but the failure we see here is because

1. they failed to separate( HOLY) themselves from these nations—> their immorality.
2. Feel like what they're doing is okay ( COOL).
3. Behaving like them ( moral corruption including adultery, worshipping other gods with sex, and child sacrifice)

The cycle is as follows:

1. Sin
2. Oppression.
3. Repentance.
4. Deliverance
5. Peace

This frequent hesitant fleeing goes worse and worse....

Judges are not typical law men or referee they are political military leaders

These judges characters are great example of how:

1. Terrible is it we reach when we get far from God.
2. Mighty is God that he does not need our strength but on the contrary he needs our weakness. (Gideon)
3. Awesome is God working through us even when we are messy and ruined.( Samson)
4. Confused we get, when we surround ourselves with disturbed thoughts( Jephthah) you lose knowing the character of your God, seeking some practices without knowing Him.

### **Lecture 2**

From the milk and honey land to the Exile of the Kingdom of Israel:

Asking for an earthly king after 1000 years of God being their king

Building the temple 950 BC( FIRST PERMANENT PLACE TO WORSHIP)

History of the division of the kingdom and the kings era, prophets

Look at the table kings and prophets

Joshua 24:2-27 till 2kings25: 1-11 disastrous shift due to 2king 17: 7-21

Does this happen in a day and night, or it's a gradual change because of multiple small wrong decisions , warned throughout the way by the prophets( 5+12)

Why they changed?

How did god relate to them?