

Study Notes and Questions for Judges 2

- Read Hebrews 12:1. What characteristic does the author of Hebrews attach to sin in this passage?
- Re-read Judges 2:1-3. What do these verses tell us about the consequences of sin?
- Re-read Judges 2:18. What does this verse tell you about the heart of God?
- Re-read Judges 2:10: What is the message/warning here to parents?
- After reading Judges 2:21-22, what do you learn about how God tests His children?
- Make a list of the "idols" that are worshiped in our modern society.

Prayer Points:

- Pray about the many "idols" in American society, and ask God to give you the strength to keep your heart for Him only.
- Ask the Lord to make you aware of any areas in your life where you may have adopted the practices of the world around you.
- Pray about what the Lord would have you do to influence the next generation to stay faithful to God and His Word.

[Note: Keep these prayer points in your Bible this week and commit them to prayer.]

Things to think about this week:

- Judges chapter 2 reminds us that God is not the one who forsook the covenant He had made with Israel—it was the people who turned their backs on His Word and His promises.
- Sorrow does not always equal repentance. The people wept when the Angel of the Lord told them that their enemies would no longer be removed. But there's nothing that tells us the people ever changed their lives. (2 Corinthians 7:10 tells us "godly sorrow brings repentance.")
- Israel served God while Joshua was alive to influence their devotion, but when he passed from the scene they strayed. We see this happening today with kids who are raised in a Christian home but who walk away from the Lord once they get out on their own. Or young people who serve the Lord as long as they are around Christian friends, but who adopt the ways of the world when their Christian friends aren't around.