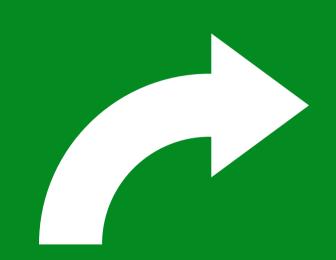


Judges 2:1-19; 8:33-34

Recently, we were exhorted by Pastor Carr to "violently resist the tides of the enemy." This means that when the enemy or the world entices us with temptation, we ought to resist wholeheartedly, like a boxer defending his title, or a parent protecting their little one.

In this passage of Scripture, we see an example of what happens when you don't violently resist the enemy. Israel entered a cycle of generations devoting themselves to God, but then whoring after other idol gods. Jesus came to stop this cycle!



Israel serves God faithfully while the judge is alive

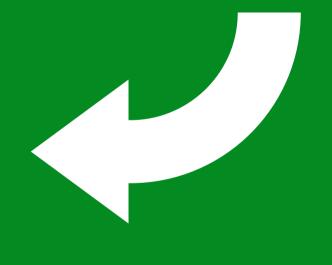
Israel cries out for deliverance;
God raises up a judge

Israel's Cycle

Judge dies; Israel whores after idol gods



God removes His protection; Surrounding nations oppress Israel



John 8:1-12

According to the law, both parties involved in adultery were to be put to death (Leviticus 20:10, Deuteronomy 22:22). Not bringing the man with whom this woman was committing adultery shows the hypocrisy of the scribes and Pharisees.

Jesus commanded the woman to, "go and sin no more." The life-giving Word He spoke to her and speaks to us empowers us to have victory over sin. We don't have to keep making the same mistakes over and over again! Use this time of consecration we're in at Christian Heritage to pick off some more layers of sin. The key is staying consistent.

This word is for the masses, not just us. Go and share it. Go hoe no mo'!