

**“Confronting the Not So Good”**

**Judges 1:1-2:5**

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**I. So Far So Good – Judges 1:1-18**

- A. Following the death of Joshua, the tribe of Judah showed initial faithfulness in the continued conquest of Canaan.
- B. This was true because individual members of Judah were faithful.

**II. Not So Good – Judges 1:19-36**

- A. The other tribes – even Judah eventually – failed to drive out the Canaanites as they should have.
- B. They compromised and let them linger.

**III. The Lord Confronts His Peoples’ Sin – Judges 2:1-5**

- A. The Angel of the Lord (God the Son) rebuked and disciplined His people.
- B. The Lord Jesus still rebukes and disciplines His people today (Rev. 2-3).
- C. The Lord’s rebuke falls heavily upon idolatry, open immorality, and hand handed disobedience.
  - 1. Yet the “smaller sins” of our flesh are the beginnings of such things.
  - 2. Left unchecked, they can spill out in the form of heinous sin.
- D. We must, through His mercy, reengage our battle with all sin, driving them out of our lives.

*Colossians 3:5 - Put to death, therefore, whatever belongs to your earthly nature: sexual immorality, impurity, lust, evil desires and greed, which is idolatry.*

*1 Peter 2:11 - Beloved, I urge you as aliens and strangers to abstain from fleshly lusts which wage war against the soul.*