

A Bible Overview, Session 5: The United Kingdom
Student handout

Book of Judges- 300 years of history

- Israel's Sins

- What the Israelites failed to remember

- What God provided the Israelites to help them remember

- The result of not remembering

- God's judgment

- Israelites continue to rebel, receive judgment, cry out to God for help, then God sends another judge (military leader) to help them

- How not being taught and/or forgetting God's commands impacted the new generation

- 6 cycles of sin:
People blessed-> People forgot God-> Oppression-> People "cry out"->Leader-> Relief->

- In the end: "...people did whatever seemed right in their own eyes." Judges 21:25

Samuel: last judge & first prophet

- People wanting a king instead of God as their leader

Kings of United Israel: Saul-> David-> Solomon

1. Saul

- “To **obey** is better than sacrifice...” (1 Samuel 15:22)

- God rejects Saul as King and starts to prepare for next king (David)

2. David

- Young David chosen amongst older brothers

- *“The LORD does not look at the things people look at. People look at the outward appearance, but the LORD looks at the **heart**.” (1 Samuel 16.7)*

- Further verses regarding the **heart**

- *18 But the words you speak come from the heart—that’s what defiles you. 19 For from the heart come evil thoughts, murder, adultery, all sexual immorality, theft, lying, and slander. Matthew 15:18,19*

- David and Goliath

- David and Bathsheba

- Sin Cycle Daily Life
 1. Senses stimulated (observation)->
 2. Second look->
 3. Opportunity->
 4. Plan->
 5. Action->
 6. Consequences->
 7. Repentance->
 8. Forgiveness (grace)

- David response to Uriah's death

- Psalm 51:1-8

- Psalm 32:1-5

- Davidic **Covenant**:

- Solomon born