

JUDGES | THERE WAS NO KING IN ISRAEL
JUDGES 19:1-21:25

As we conclude our series on the book of Judges, we see a familiar statement: "In those days, there was no king in Israel . . ." We see another Levite, who was supposed to be a servant of God, instead serving himself. We see the awful consequences of his sins as well as others who did what was right in their own eyes. The villains are not named in these chapters. Though they were real individuals, they also represented Israel that was spiraling downward. God was to be their king, but instead they recognized no king. They were to do what was right in God's eyes, but instead they did what was right in their own. This is an extremely disturbing and tragic passage that illustrates the evil of man. It jars us and challenges us to examine ourselves and seek the Lord. It causes us to examine our society in in comparison with fallen Israel. What does a culture look like that does not recognize the reign of God?

1. A culture with no awareness of God's rule, disregards God's _____ for marriage and seeks to fulfill their own _____.

2. A culture that does not recognize God, spirals downward to unnatural and _____ conditions.

3. A culture that has no righteous rule, rejects the reality that people are made in _____.

4. A culture with no King takes _____ into its own hands and creates _____.

5. A culture that does not recognize God's rule _____ God rather than recognizing the _____ of its own heart.