

What's happening at Desert Breeze?

- ▶ **LINGER PRAYER & WORSHIP NIGHT:** This Wed, May 13, 6:30 to 8pm. Come at 6pm for pre-service worship! (No childcare).
- ▶ **PARENTING CLASS:** Our children are meant for big things, to live for something much bigger than themselves. Learn how to lead them in this 8 week class on Sundays beginning **May 17th, 5-7pm. \$20.** Sign up now!
- ▶ **YOUTH CAR WASH:** The DB Youth are selling tickets (for a donation) to get your car washed on **Sat, May 23, 9am to 2pm** at Freddy's Burgers on 49th Ave & Bell Rd. See Ryan Reed or a youth leader to get your ticket now!
- ▶ **BARF NIGHT:** **BARF** stands for **Bring A Real Friend**, so if you are in Children's Ministry 1st - 6th grades, bring a friend & join us **5/29, 6-8pm!** See Kevin for details!
- ▶ **SUMMER VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:** If you've been looking for a way to get connected or just want to meet people Hospitality & Children's Ministry Need you! Mark the insert in the bulletin & drop it in the offering box! Thank you!
- ▶ **ANOMALY SCHOLARSHIP NEED:** If you feel led to help send a youth to camp – please put your donations in giving envelope marked “Anomaly”!
- ▶ **DB LADIES BOOK CLUB:** Read “Somewhere Between Luck & Trust” by Emilie Richards & meet **6/1, 7pm.** Call Kathy 602-439-1623 for location.
- ▶ **RESTORING INTIMACY:** 4 weeks on Fridays **beginning June 5th, 6:30 to 8:30pm.** Sign up now!
- ▶ **HOLY YOGA:** Saturdays, **Beginning June 6th, 9am.**
- ▶ **NEW LIFE HOME GROUP:** Studying “Marriage Today” by Jimmy Evans. Meets Fridays @ 39th & Happy Valley. Pick up a card in the lobby for info!
- ▶ **EPIC SAN DIEGO CAMPOUT:** **July 24 -27th.** Sign up Now in the lobby!
- ▶ **WOMEN'S RETREAT:** **August 28-30, 2015.** Chapel Rock, Prescott! Make payments by marking your check & envelope with “Women's Retreat”.
- ▶ **CHILDCARE NEEDS:** We are looking to hire a couple of part-time childcare workers to provide childcare for mid-week church classes. If interested e-mail Kevin@dbcc.com.
- ▶ **SUMMER CAMPS FYI:** **Elementary Camp, (UCYC) Please note date has changed! July 24-28.** Jr High Camp, (UCYC), June 12-16. High School Camp (Hume San Diego), June 21-26.

For more info on these and other DB events & service times – check out our website @ dbcc.com or call 602-374-4588
Wifi info: DB Guest Password: dbguest1

New Series: **BRAVE HEART** (Courage in a World of Compromise)

It was a time when “everyone did what was right in their own eyes” (Judges21:25). God's people found themselves in a self destructive cycle over and over again of Complacency-> Compromise-> Consequences-> Crying out to God-> Covenant Renewal. This study through the O.T. book of Judges will help us to daily face with courage & wisdom the choice between looking to God as our Lord, or following the inevitably destructive spirit & preferences of our pluralistic age.

May 16/17 “Living Among Idols” Judges 2:6-3:6

May 23/24 “Heart-Forgetfulness” Judges 3:7-31

Thank You for the consistent and faithful giving of our church family.
Budget Results for May 2/3
General Giving
Budget \$17,500 Actual \$25,407

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Sermon Notes

Ray Davis

“Half-Heartedness” Judges1:1-2:5

Fullness of life is to us what the promise land was to Israel. As they fought their way into possession of the promise land, we must fight on toward maturity, meeting & defeating enemies that would stand in our way. (John10:10; Josh1:1-9)

Judges 1:1-3

- True Lordship will seek _____ in every area of our lives especially in times of transition. Word of God (Josh1:8-9), Spirit of God (1Cor2:10-16), People of God (Pro24:6), Providence of God (Rom8:28; Pro21:31), Wisdom of God (James1:5; Pro1:7)
- Failure to completely obey God’s clear commands are the seeds of _____ and _____ revealing our half-heartedness. Josh1:8-9; Luke6:46-49
- There’s a difference between _____ disobedience (I won’t) and _____ (I can’t) disobedience.

Verses 4-7

- There is a fine line between justice and vengeance. When we cross it _____ just like the evil that is being done to us. This military campaign is not an ethnic cleansing or imperialistic conquest but carried out as God’s judgment through direct revelation (Joshua1:1-9). Rom13:1-7—Preserve freedom/Protect the innocent/Prevent spread of evil.
 - God’s judgment throughout history is to give people over to the _____ of the life they have chosen. It is the law of sowing and reaping. Gal6:7-9; Romans 1:21-32
- Vv8-11, 17-18 Judah continues to take their inheritance.

Verses 12-16

- Covenant faithfulness and courageous obedience in response to _____ is evidence of whole-hearted discipleship. The Power of sin’s promise is broken by the power of God’s.

Verse19

- It is not our circumstances that defeat us but our failure to _____ our circumstances in light of God’s Grace.

- Half-hearted belief and obedience is _____ and spreads. We become like the people we hang-out with—it’s called discipleship. 1Cor15:33; Ps1:1

Vv21-36 “did not drive out their enemies...” (8xs)

- If we do not defeat the enemy completely, the enemy will eventually _____. Song of Solomon 2:15; Gal5:9; Matt5:29-30.

Judges 2:1-5

- God wants _____ over every area of our lives. In what areas of your life are you saying, “I can’t” (immaturity) but God is saying, “You won’t” (willful defiance)? Three areas of “can’t” justifications for disobedience: Forgiveness (Matt18:35), Truth-telling (Eph4:15, 25), Temptation (1Cor10:13)
- Half-hearted repentance will not bring lasting change causing sin to be a “_____” and a “_____” in our lives. Half-hearted repentance is sorrow for the pain it has caused me rather than sorry for the pain it has caused God. 2Cor7:10-11
- Are God’s blessings conditional or unconditional? _____! Why? Because on the Cross Christ absolutely fulfilled the conditions of the law so that God could love you absolutely unconditionally.
- _____ obedience: I take sin seriously and resist it like crazy because Jesus died for my sins, but when I fail there is no condemnation or despair. My obedience is a way of saying thank you to God and of becoming like God but not the way of earning my way to God.

Growing Notes

- 1) Our “heart” is more than our thoughts, feelings and actions. It is our core commitments, what we ultimately love, trust and put our hope in (Pro4:23, 27:19; Matt6:21). What does half-hearted devotion to Christ look like?
- 2) As you read through the text (Judges1:1-2:5) prayerfully review the points from the sermon notes under the corresponding verses.
- 3) What are the characteristics of half-heartedness? Are God’s blessings conditional or unconditional? Explain. What are the characteristics of whole-hearted obedience? What is God speaking to you? Pray for whole-heartedness.