**Pastor Demetric Felton Sr. October 21, 2018**

**When Sin Doesn’t Go As Planned**

Judges 10

**Key Truth:** No matter how far we stray from God in disobedience, when we repent God responds with mercy.

**The Same Story, Same Consequences:**

1. When God is not enough, nothing will ever satisfy.

2. God allowed Israel to have it their way.

3. God allowed Israel to see the futility of serving false gods.

**Things The Church Rarely Talks About:**

1. The fear of God is important. Proverbs 1:7

2. The wrath of God is real. Romans 1:18, Romans 5:6-9

3. Spiritual discipline happens when we constantly disobey.

Psalm 94:12. Revelation 3:19

A. God disciplines His children.

B. God loves us too much to allow us to live happily in

disobedience.

C. God’s disciplining you proves you belong to Him.

Hebrews 12:7-12

4. Confession isn’t just for Catholics.

A. It’s more than just agreeing with God. Proverbs 28:13

5. Repentance gets God’s attention.

A. Only then can we begin to experience freedom and

deliverance.

**Taking It Beyond The Walls:** Thank God that our rebellion doesn’t have to be the end of the story. Thank Him for His mercy when we repent. Invite Him to show you areas of your life where you need to get rid of idols and turn completely to Him in faith.

**Connection Group Homework**

Looking back at your notes from this week’s teaching, was there anything you heard for first time or that caught your attention, challenged or confused you?

When you were growing up, were you rebellious or obedient? Give examples.

Is rebellion something you grow out of, or does change require an intentional decision to conform?

As followers of God, what responsibility do we have to younger generations? What happens when we fail to take our call to teach God’s truth to each other and to the next generation of believers seriously?

Read ACTS 5:1-11: This week we heard about the importance of a healthy “fear of God.” How could the people’s response to fear in Acts 5:1-11 help them relate to God in a healthy way?

Throughout our study in Judges we have seen the importance of authentic confession to God and others. How does 2 Corinthians 7:8-11 help us understand what true confession is? How might this kind of true repentance affect your confession to others, and/or God?

Read Colossians 3:5-11: In what ways are false gods merely escapes from our difficulties, and not actual solutions to our heartache and pain? How do false gods/idols always leave us unsatisfied? Where can we turn to God to fill us?