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SINNERS NEEDING A SAVIOR

Judges 21:25

'In those days there was no king in Israel. Everyone did what was right in his own eyes.'

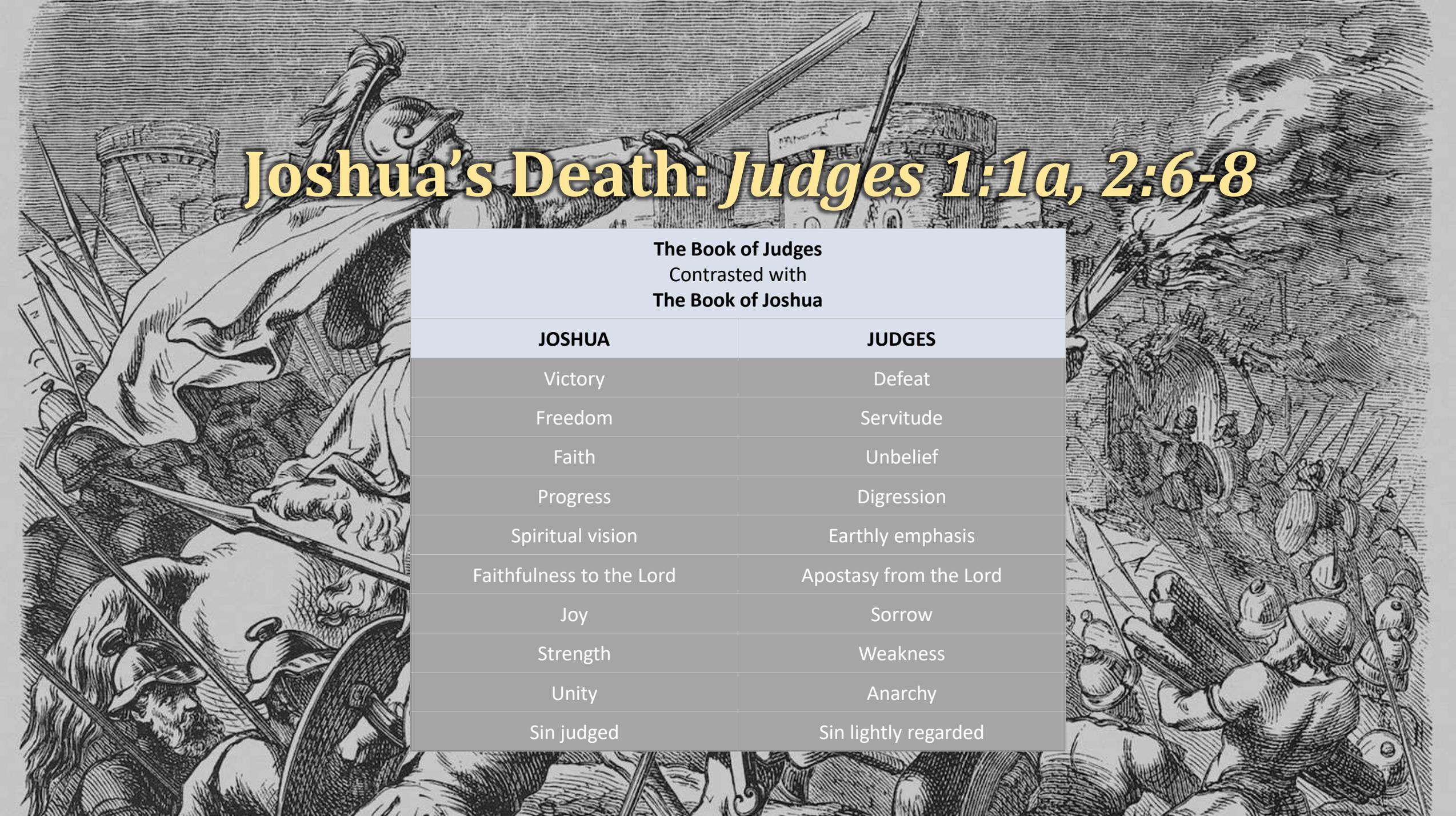
Judge	Tribe	Enemy Defeated	Years of	
			Oppression	Rest
Othniel	Judah	Mesopotamia	8 yrs	40 yrs
Ehud	Benjamin	Moabites	18 yrs	80 yrs
Shamgar	Simeon?	Philistines	?	?
Deborah	Naphtali	Canaanites	20 yrs	40 yrs
Gideon	Manasseh	Midianites	6 yrs	40 yrs
Tola	Issachar	?		23 yrs
Jair	Gad	?		22 yrs
Jephthah	Reuben	Ammonites	18 yrs	6 yrs
Ibzan	Asher	?		7 yrs
Elon	Zebulun	?		10 yrs
Abdon	Ephraim	?		8 yrs
Samson	Dan	Philistines	40 yrs	20 yrs



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1 Corinthians 10:11-12

‘Now these things happened to them as an example, but they were written down for our instruction, on whom the end of the ages has come. Therefore let anyone who thinks that he stands take heed lest he fall.’



Joshua's Death: *Judges 1:1a, 2:6-8*

The Book of Judges Contrasted with The Book of Joshua

JOSHUA

Victory

Freedom

Faith

Progress

Spiritual vision

Faithfulness to the Lord

Joy

Strength

Unity

Sin judged

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Defeat

Servitude

Unbelief

Digression

Earthly emphasis

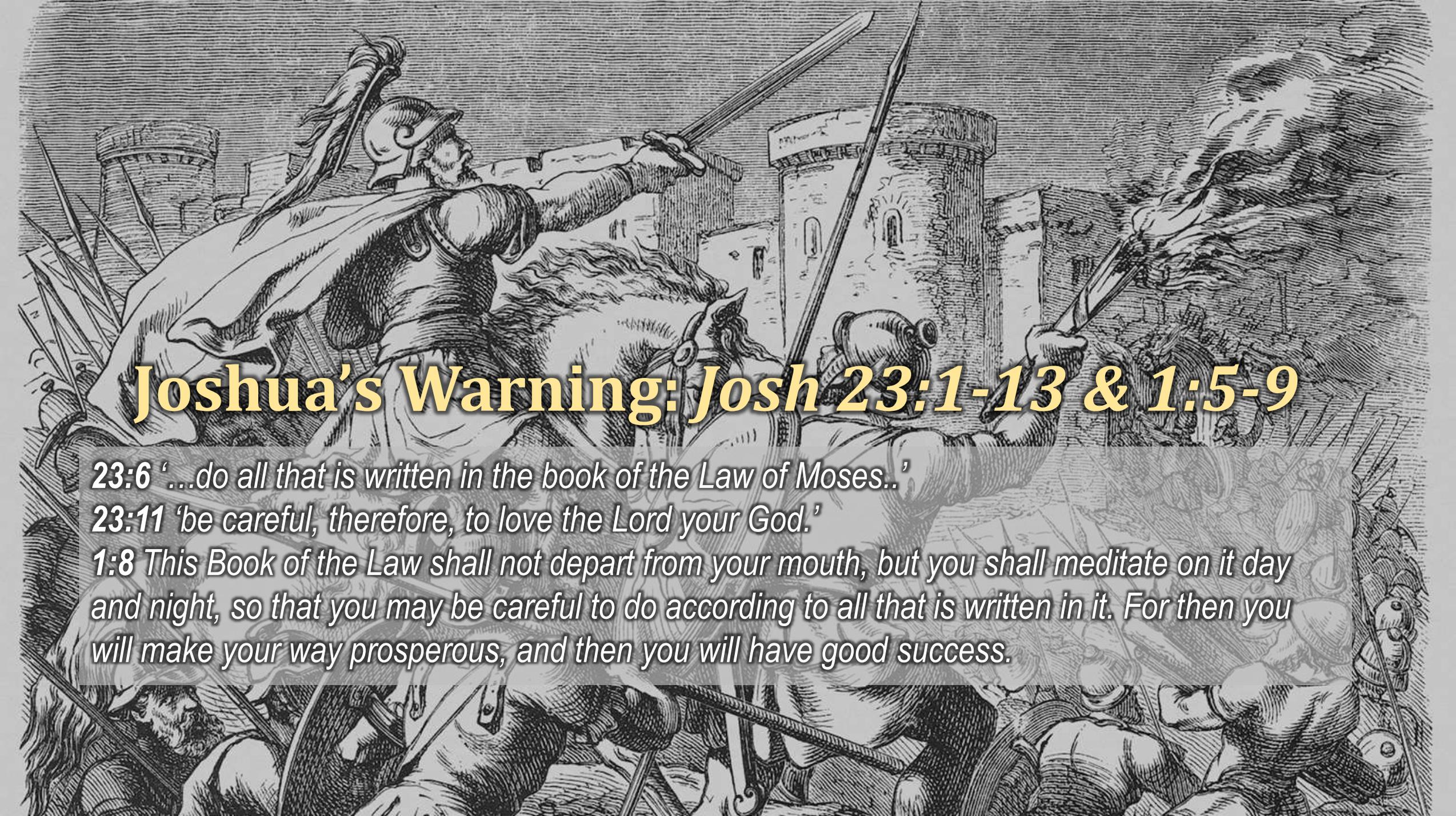
Apostasy from the Lord

Sorrow

Weakness

Anarchy

Sin lightly regarded



Joshua's Warning: *Josh 23:1-13 & 1:5-9*

23:6 '...do all that is written in the book of the Law of Moses..'

23:11 'be careful, therefore, to love the Lord your God.'

1:8 This Book of the Law shall not depart from your mouth, but you shall meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do according to all that is written in it. For then you will make your way prosperous, and then you will have good success.



1. They did not drive out the People

Deuteronomy 7:2 'when the Lord your God gives them over to you, and you defeat them, then you must devote them to complete destruction. You shall make no covenant with them and show no mercy to them.'



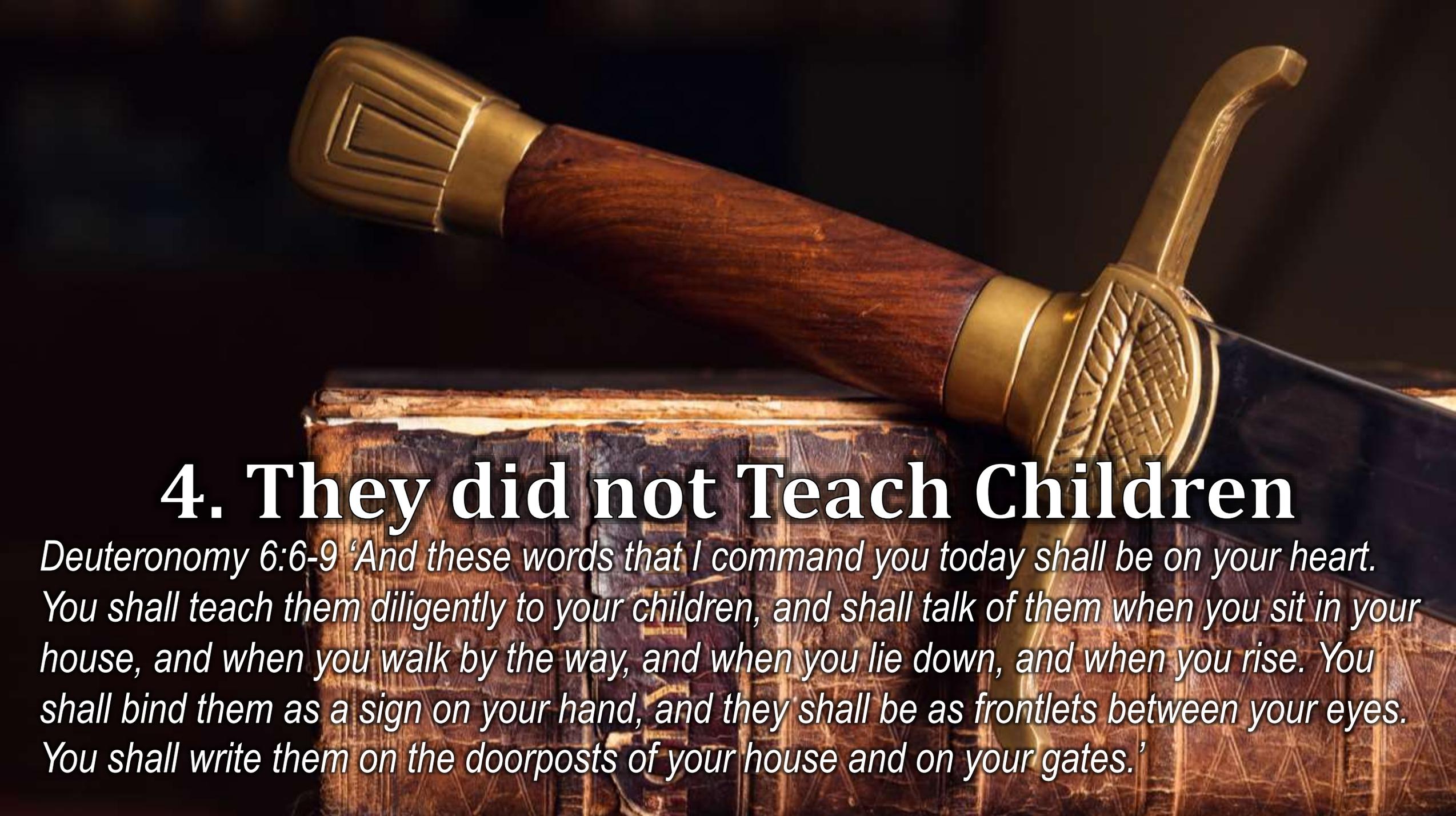
2. They Worshipped Idols

Deuteronomy 12:3 You shall tear down their altars and dash in pieces their pillars and burn their Asherim with fire. You shall chop down the carved images of their gods and destroy their name out of that place.



3. They Intermarried Unbelievers

Deuteronomy 7:3-4 You shall not intermarry with them, giving your daughters to their sons or taking their daughters for your sons, for they would turn away your sons from following me, to serve other gods.....



4. They did not Teach Children

Deuteronomy 6:6-9 'And these words that I command you today shall be on your heart. You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, and when you walk by the way, and when you lie down, and when you rise. You shall bind them as a sign on your hand, and they shall be as frontlets between your eyes. You shall write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates.'



5. Did what was right in their own eyes

Deuteronomy 12:8 "You shall not do according to all that we are doing here today, everyone doing whatever is right in his own eyes"

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Are we Canaanite Christians?

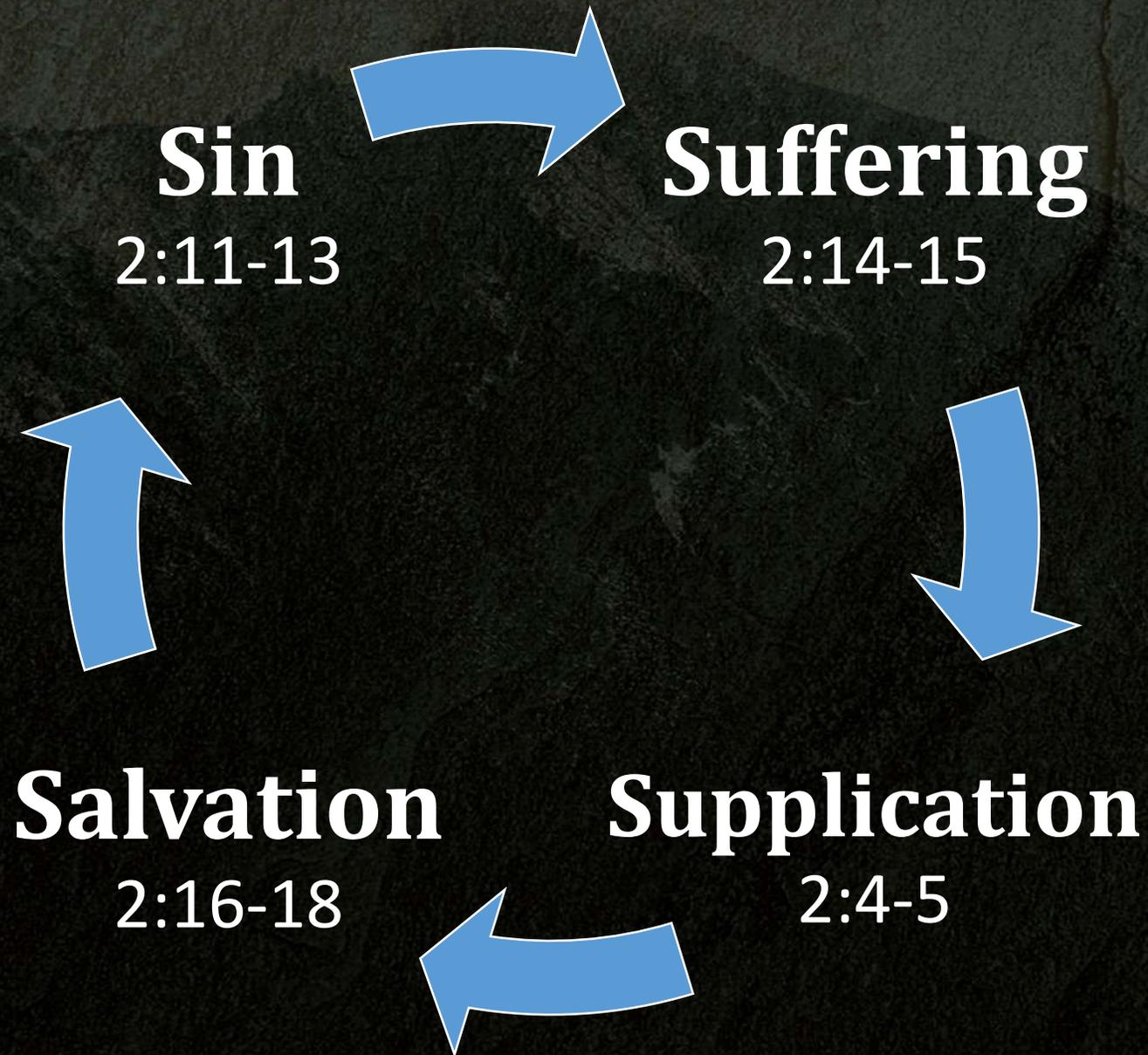
First we Must Drive Out the World before we can Love the World

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God Disciplines His Children

First: God's Promise: "I will never break my covenant with you"

Second: God's Disciple: "I will not drive them out before you"



Joshua

Othniel

Ehud

Deborah

Gideon

Jair

Jepthah

Samson

Salvation

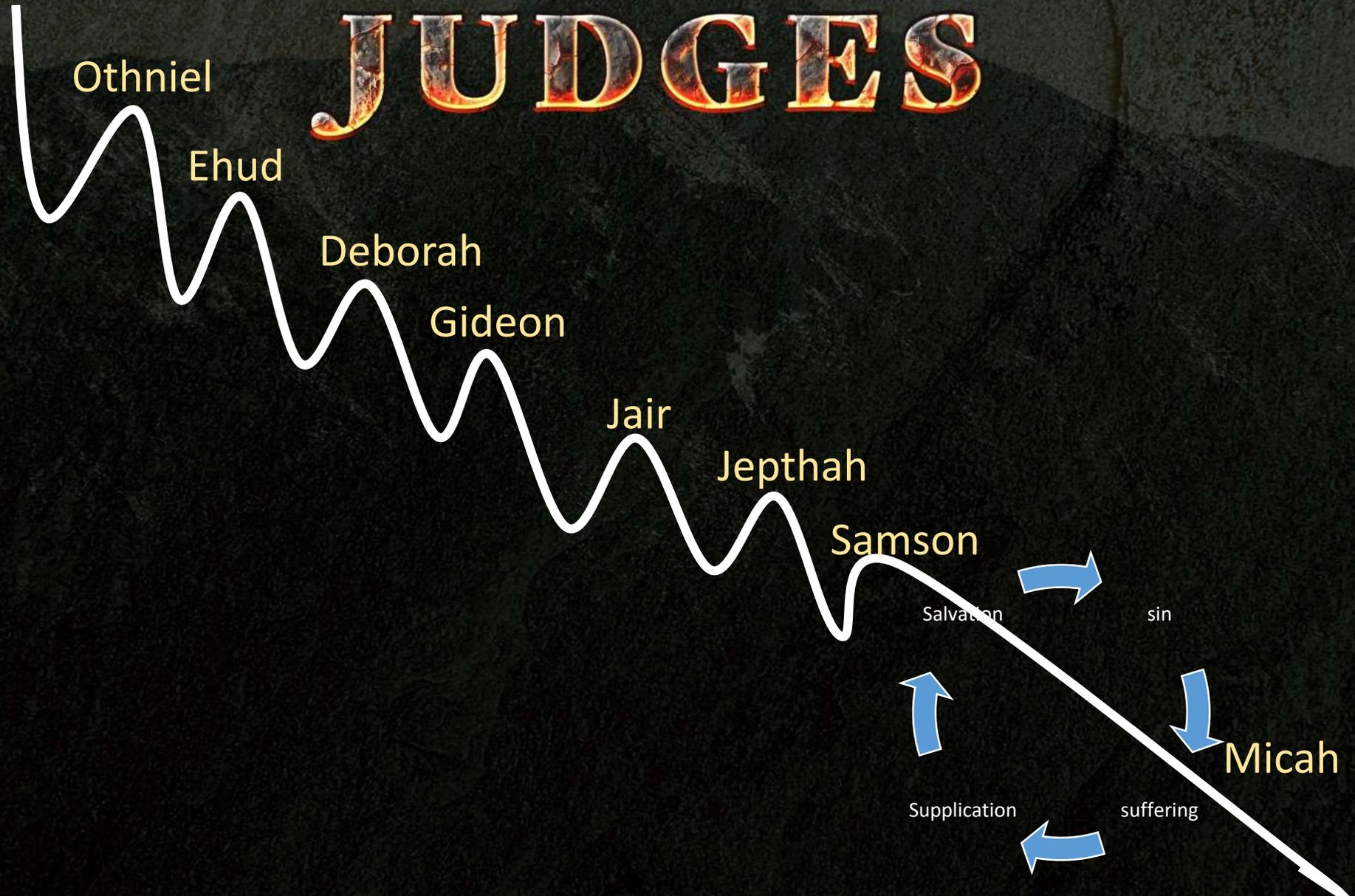
sin

Supplication

suffering

Micah

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Get out of the Cycle!

REPENT

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1. God Never Abandons His Children
2. God uses Flawed People (*only*)
3. Obedience is better than Sacrifice
4. Compromise is Spiritually Fatal
5. WE NEED A SAVIOR



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