

Live godly!

Judges 1:1–2:5

[Failure of the Conquest; God's Indictment]

Sunday, October 12, 2025 - Pastor Patrick Ransom

SERMON OUTLINE

I. PROBLEM: LOSS OF BLESSING

- A. Worsening of situation with Canaanites (1:3–30,31–36)
- B. **Indictment** by God (2:1–3)
- C. Consequences for the church and the Christian

II. SOLUTION: UNCOMPROMISING GODLINESS

- A. Judah's **inclusion** of Simeon (1:3)
- B. Iron chariots and Benjamin (1:19–21); yet Caleb's success (1:20)
- C. Joseph's abortive effort (1:22–26)
- D. Failure of the rest of tribes (1:27–36)

III. APPLICATION: LIVE GODLY!

- A. How we lose divine blessings today with ungodly lifestyles
- B. Start living godly today which begins with repentance (weeping: 2:4–5)

STRUCTURE (1:1–2:5)

A Yahweh's promise to the "sons of Israel" re: war (1:1-2) Israel takes the initiative to communicate	
B Judah goes up (1:3-20); Judah-Simeon alliance (1:3, 17) Concluding summary (1:19) Positive action (1:20)	South
C Benjamin's failure (1:21)	
B' Joseph goes up (1:22-26): "house of Joseph" (1:22, 35) Introducing summary (1:22) Positive action (1:23-26)	North
A' Yahweh's indictment to the "sons of Israel" re: war (2:1-5) Yahweh takes the initiative to communicate	

SERMON NOTES



NEXT WEEK:
Experience God
Judges 2:6–3:11