A Leader's Characters (Bilingual)

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So the book of Judges mainly focuses on the relationship between God and the Israelites.

Although the Israelites sin and turn away from God, God does not completely wipe them out as a nation because He had made a covenant to their ancestor Abraham.

The covenant was that He would make His descendants as plentiful as the number of sand and stars in the sea. But when the Israelites were guilty, they would never be able to do that in the sea.

However, when they did become sinful and far from God, God wouldn't just let them get away with it. And this was the message that the Judges had to pass on to the Israelites.

Today, if it had been given to the ■■■ människ lard, God's Lord's Savior gives a lot of people desires. Right now in the 21st century, it seems that our era is much like the era in the book of Judges.

There are many people who sin and turn away from God. As a church leader, to lead the disciples to the Lord to learn and live and live, it is not an easy thing.

Today we are talking about the fact that the truth is called the Eiffel Tower. And today we will be looking at the story of a judge called Jephthah. And so hopefully through his achievements, we will be able to recognize the qualities required in a leader.

And give us an insight into how to better serve God. From verses 1 to 3, the Bible gives us a brief statement.

He was a son of a prostitute, and when he grew up, the other sons of his father's actual wife threw him out of their home.

And not only was he not allowed to receive any of the family's inheritance, but he had to flee and in the end become an outlaw.

[3:16] This sounds like something that comes out of an action novel, but this is not a fiction story.

It's a factual historical account. We can see by looking at Jephthah's status, we can see that God treats everyone equally regardless of their status.

To become a leader in God's kingdom, you don't need to be born into a famous well-known family.

You don't need to graduate from a famous university. You don't need to have a very high VCE and to score.

You can see that you're very young. You don't need to be young. You don't need to wait until you're 20 or 30 to become a leader. This is not a Christian.

[4:17] It's not a Christian. The above conditions are not what you need to become a church leader. But the most important aspect that you need to have is to have a close relationship with God.

So what was the relationship that Jephthah had with God like? Let's have a look. In verses 4 to 8, it says that when the Ammonites made war on Israel, the elders rushed to Jephthah and asked him to be their commander so that they could fight the Ammonites.

And in verse 9, Jephthah said, If you bring me home again to fight with the Ammonites, and the Lord gives them over to me, I will be your head.

From here we can see that Jephthah regards becoming their leader as an enormous achievement.

So he's a son of a prostitute and an outlaw. He's the son of a prostitute and an outlaw. He's like going from being the lowest of low to the most highly regarded status.

He's like going from being the lowest of low to the most highly regarded status. And naturally he felt really excited about it. But on the other hand, we can also see that Jephthah knows and acknowledges that everything is in God's control.

And even though he's a leader, he's a leader, he can't control such a situation. Therefore he knows that despite him being a courageous commander, there will still be situations that are out of his control.

Because of what he said, he said, The Lord gives them over to me, I will be your head.

He knows that if they triumph over the Ammonites, it would be because of God. He knows that if they triumph over the Ammonites, it would be because of God.

He knows that he's a sort of acknowledgement that he has for God shows that he knows God. So he's a sort of acknowledgement that he has for God shows that he knows God. And we can say that he is a man who is close to God.

[7:03] So knowing God is just one aspect of building a relationship with him. And then in verse 11, he says, So Jephthah went to the elders of Gilead, and the people made him head and commander over them.

And he repeated all his words before the Lord in Mizpah. He also said, It's clear that Jephthah not only knows God, but he also prays to God.

In other words, he turns to God to seek his guidance. In the verse it says, He repeated all his words before the Lord.

All his words are referring to him. His thoughts and his feelings. Just like how we pray to God today.

It doesn't specifically tell us what Jephthah's prayer to God was about, but we know that he prayed to God. The truth, we can ask God to seek all our worries and fears.

[8:36] And at the same time, we can ask for his guidance. And so we can see that praying is just one of the ways that Jephthah uses to build a relationship with God.

To build a relationship with God. **SELECTION**, **SELECTION**. After praying, Jephthah went into battle with his enemies, lifting God's name on high. **SELECTION**.

He also tried a peaceful way to resolve the situation.

[9:45] ■14■27,Jephthah sent a very long message stating and emphasizing that the land possessed by them was rightful and legitimate.

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[11:01] In the middle of this conflict, Jephthah lifts God's name on high. **BELLEVISION**. In his long message to the Ammonites, he mentions God's name four times. In verse 27, he ends with the conclusion, I have not wronged you, but you are doing me wrong by waging war against me. Let the Lord, the judge, decide the dispute this day between the Israelites and the Ammonites. **BELLEVISION**, **BELLEVISION**. Jephthah asked God to be among them, to be the judge and decision maker, handing over the situation to God. [12:08] 28, The war finally came into action, and the Ammonites paid no attention to Jephthah's peace talk. 29, I says that the spirit of the Lord came upon Jephthah, and then he departed. 30-31 , I were solution and a solution are solution as solution and a solution and a solution are solution as solution are solution as solution are solution as solution are solution as solution and a solution are solution as solution are solution are solution as solution are solution as solution are sol vow to God. **Saying that if they were to triumph in** the battle, then whatever comes out of the door of his house first, to meet him when he returns in triumph, he will sacrifice it as a burnt offering to the Lord. Burnt offerings involved burning the sacrifice and the fire. The detailed process is mentioned in Leviticus chapter 6. [13:13] _____, ___, ___, ___, ___, ___, ___, ____, ____, ___, ___, ___, ___, ___, ___, ___, _____, _____,

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In verses 34 to 37, Jephthah finally **EXECUTE** a enemy, back to his house. The first person to meet him is his only child. He loves him.

[17:00] And then he began a scene of saying farewell to life.

Jephthah's daughter requested to be able to go to the hills and cry and grieve with her friends for two months. Jephthah's daughter requested to be able to go to the hills and cry and grieve with her friends for two months.

Jephthah's daughter requested to be able to go to the hills and she returned to her father and he did to her as he had vowed. She was a virgin. Jephthah's daughter requested to be able to go to the hills and she was a virgin.

This does not mean that for her whole life she would never have been married or would be single until old age. Jephthah's daughter requested to be able to go to the hills and she was a virgin.

Because her father used her as a burnt sacrifice and burnt her. Jephthah's daughter she didn't have a virgin.

[18:30] She didn't have a virgin. She didn't have a virgin. She didn't have a virgin. Secondly, this was a tragedy that resulted from Jephthah not putting his complete faith and trust in God. In the life of God, we're going to talk about the hills and the hills.

What are the consequences of the hills that occur when we doubt God and discuss compromises with Him? It's going to increase our hearts. It's going to increase our burden.

Burdens and worries in our hearts will increase. If God doesn't grant you your prayers, we will ask, is the offering that I have vowed to God not good enough? And so you may act like Jephthah did and offer up your most precious belongings.

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[19:40] For example, if God doesn't grant us these compromised prayers, then we may put ourselves in a difficult situation. If God doesn't grant us these sins, then we may be afraid to get them. For example, Jephthah, he vowed that he would sacrifice his daughter, but if he didn't follow through with this vow, then in his heart, he would fear having done wrong to God.

Or he would fear that his reputation would be ruined, and that he would be seen as a man who can't commit to his vows.

If God's in encounter in the H bricks, then we may habit and we may are now who could giration in grief. But if he sacrificed his daughter, then he would have to go through this pain and agony. Right?

In spite of that, he would have to go and drink a mess. Now it would still be peace. Here like that. Making this vow was like setting upon himself a dreaded curse. That the his life, for the rest of his life, he would have no peace.

The truth is that even if he didn't make the vow, he still would have triumphed in the war. Because it was God's resolute plan to rescue his people.

[20:59] And Jephthah was just a soldier appointed by God. So be careful not to make compromises with God, but put your complete trust in him. This is what pleases God.

So how do we put our complete trust in God? Through the following verses, we get the feeling that Jephthah is a very righteous person, despite that one shortcoming.

What caused Jephthah to make that vow? Apart from the reason that he did not have complete faith in God, it was also because he couldn't accept the fact that he might be defeated.

From his actions and behavior, we can see that he is truly afraid of being defeated. Or maybe he was fearful for his status.

What if he went from being a commander back to being the leader of a group of outlaws? Or perhaps even because he was afraid that people would unkindly laugh at him for his defeat.

[22:31] I recently also have learned a lesson about putting my trust in God. I recently also have learned a lesson about putting my trust in God.

Next year February, I'm going to be ordained to become church minister. For this, there are many procedures to go through in applying for it.

When I was being examined for whether I had qualifications to be a candidate, The examining committee gave me three requirements that I had to fulfill to become a church minister.

They were not able to believe in me. This wasn't because they wanted to stop me from becoming one. This wasn't because they wanted to stop me from becoming one.

Everyone had to fulfill the same requirements. This three requirements are, **I** want to go to the hospital. I want to go to a hospital and take training in counseling sick patients.

[23:47] The first requirement was that I had to go to a hospital and take training in counseling sick patients. The second was to be involved in a group at an English Bible college for a year. The second was to be involved in a group at an English Bible college for a year.

And number three was to go and be a practice minister at another church for a year. When I saw this three, I was not able to reach the conditions.

I started to be able to reach the same requirements. And when it seemed to me that I couldn't fulfill these requirements, I began to form the idea that I should not become a minister.

Of course, to become a minister was God's calling to me. And actually, the examining committee had long ago already finished examining.

They didn't have any problems, but my trust in God was inadequate.

[24:49] I was self-conscious about how bad my English was and could see no way that I could fulfill the requirement. But after going through these struggles, I still decided to give it my best, and I wrote a whole heap of material to apply for studying in a hospital.

I remember Paul in my recommendation letter, he said that my English was my third language.

So I was like, what was he trying to say about my English? When the interview was over, I realized that my English was good. So I said that my English was good. So I said that the hospital was good.

After the interview process, I thought I did pretty well, and said to Paul that I felt kind of confident that the hospital would accept me. But after a week, I received a letter from the hospital.

He said that I didn't make it because there were too many applicants.

[26:02] In fact, the number of applicants was three times the number of vacancies, so inevitably many people missed out. And then he said that I should apply again next semester, but I had to fill in the application form and sit the interview again.

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I thought, even if I passed this first hospital requirement, what about the other two? Would I be able to do them?

And I thought, why don't I just give up and go back to living a relaxing life?

it was too troublesome.

So I made the decision not to continue because it was too troublesome.

But God through two events helped me to get back on track and continue.

If being ordained is in your will, Then it will happen. But if it isn't in your will, Then please hold me back from being successful.

I also said, I will with a peaceful heart face these successes or failures.

And this is how I start placing being successful or being a failure as top priority.

When I found out later that I was accepted by the hospital, I was extremely happy.

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After I heard this, I smiled and said, I did think that, and I am prepared to accept it, if that is your decision. Trust and obey.

The secret to completely trusting God is to lay aside your feelings.

Don't just put your focus on success, But trust that God will guide you every step of the way, Every day.

Just like what it says in my favorite hymn, Trust and obey, For there's no other way.

So being the leader of a church is no easy thing.

Apart from knowing God, Establishing a relationship with Him through prayer, You must also have complete trust in Him.

During this trusting process, You will also experience His guidance, His grace and almighty power.

Like what Paul wrote, LILLER, Even though there will be times when we are weak, But like what Paul wrote, LILLER, LILLER, LILLER, When we admit our weaknesses in front of God, We gain strength to keep on going.