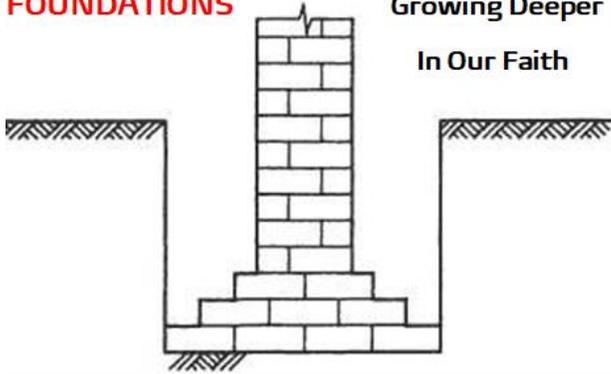


FOUNDATIONS

Growing Deeper

In Our Faith



Psalm 11:3 (NKJV) ³If the foundations are destroyed,
What can the righteous do?

Foundations Bible Study for the week of July 12, 2020

- Read the Foundational Truth Text: **Judges 8:29-9:57**
- Today's Message from:
Dr. Dean Haun, Senior Pastor of FBC Morristown (Tn).
- Watch the Foundational Truth Video and use the outline below as you watch:

<https://subsplash.com/fbcmtn/media/mi/+wcofpjn>

Sermon: "Do our choices really matter?"

STUDY NOTES:

BAD DECISION #1: Gideon chooses to acquire unbelievable possessions – 8:24-26

BAD DECISION #2: Gideon elevated himself to an unscriptural position – 8:27

BAD DECISION #3: Gideon became involved in unbridled passion – 8:30-31

Notice the outcome after Gideon's death: 8:33-36

Our choices often have generational consequences.

- Result of turning their back on God
 - They did not remember the Lord
 - They did not show kindness to the house of Gideon.

Shechem was a big deal:

- Geographically
- Historically
- Spiritually - (See Joshua 24:15)

Satan abhors the plans of God, the people of God, and the purpose of God!

- I. Gideon chose to go outside God's plan for marriage and it eventually cost him his family!
 - i. Run from temptation as Joseph did from Potiphar's wife!
- II. The men of Shechem chose to follow Baal instead of God and it cost them their fortune!
 - i. God will not and cannot bless "our choices" when they are not a part of His plan.
- III. Abimelech chose to rebel against the will of God and it cost him his future.
 - i. His life ended in defeat and death! Why? Because of the choices he made!

Reflections Questions:

1. Why is it a dangerous thing when we try to "get-around" the Word of God and commands?
2. Do you believe that our choice affect our family? Why or why not?
3. Do you believe that our choices can have generational repercussions? Why or why not?
4. Do our choices really matter? Does it matter what our choices are today? Will it have consequences on the days to come?
5. Why should we choose to follow the Lord and Him only?