

PENINSULA CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

Unaffiliated
John 2:24-25

- I. Who is the Greatest?
 - A. Sampson (Judges 13:1-5)
 - 1. On Mission (Judges 14:19, 15:3-7, vs14-15)
 - 2. Distracted and compromising (Judges 14:1-3, 16:1, 4, 20)
 - B. Elijah
 - 1. Bold and Obedient (1 Kings 17:1, 8-15, 18:17-19 and following)
 - 2. Afraid of annihilation (1 Kings 19:1-10)
 - C. Moses
 - 1. Faithful (Hebrews 11:24-29)
 - 2. Lacked conviction in the beginning (Exodus 3:1-22 -clip)
 - 3. Lost control (Numbers 20:1-12)
 - D. David
 - 1. Understood God's sovereignty (1 Sam 24:1-7, 26:9-12, 2 Sam 24:18-25)
 - 2. Gave in to a moment of weakness and compounded it (2 Sam 11:1-5)
- II. Jesus knows what man is all about (John 2:24-25)
 - A. We have the wrong priorities (John 2:13-15)
 - 1. They forget that it's God's house and they pollute it (John 2:16-17)
 - 2. They ask the Son of God to justify Himself (John 2:18)
 - a. He answers in grand fashion (John 2:19)
 - 1. You guys try to silence Truth? I'm going to save It and you (John 3:16-17)
 - 2. They (we) can't do anything close to that (John 15:5-6)
 - b. They misunderstand (John 2:20-22)
 - B. We get confused by political systems of this world (Mark 12:13-17)
 - 1. Yes, Jesus does not regard the person of men, but teaches the way of God
 - 2. We are in a political structure. Live within it. (Rom 13:1-3)
 - C. We are drawn to power and control (Matt 23:1-7)
 - 1. Don't use what God's given you to laden someone else. Share the load (Matt 11:28-29)
 - 2. Don't put your dynasty in front of God's kingdom
 - 3. Pray that God directs your steps (Prov 16:9)
- III. Follow the God Who Cares (Matt 9:35-37)
 - A. The people are scattered, but he uses us to help (Matt10:1)
 - 1. Sampson's end: (Judges 14:4, 16:28-30)
 - 2. Elijah's end: (I Kings 19:11-17)
 - 3. Moses' End: He was a herald of Christ (John 5:46-47)
 - 4. David's End: Known as a man that does what God tells him to do (1 Sam 13:11-14, Acts 13:22)
 - a. Sometimes God has us wait when we want to push forward. Wait (Ps 27:14)
 - b. Sometimes God has us wait in our pain

- B. Always look to Jesus (Hebrews 12:1-2)
 - 1. We don't have it all (Acts 18:24-28)
 - 2. God will let us do it wrong sometimes
 - 3. We must have an utter dependency on God and His people to do it right

Discussion Questions

- 1. What do you look for in a hero?
- 2. What are the differences between the powerhouses of man and the Kingdom of God?
- 3. What traits of man have hindered you from fully following God?
- 4. What is God calling you to do?