

The good, the bad and the Ugly #9

# Warning Contains

## SLV Judges 19-21

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### 1. "Bookends"

Ch 1      Compromise

Ch 2      Idolatry

Judges 1-2

Corrupt religion 17,18

Moral / social 19 - 21  
Degeneration

Judges 17-21

### 2. Refrain 17:6, 18:1, 19:1 21:25

*"In those days Israel had no king ....."*

### 3. Hospitality and depravity Chapter 19

Gibeah the new Sodom

No one is blameless:

Concubine      unfaithful

Levite          callous

Gibeah          Sodom rears its ugly head

Benjamin      rather defend their own than practice justice

### 4. A gruesome call for Justice 19:29 - 30

### 5. Israel united "as one man" against their own 20:1-11

The offence of Gibeah's sin

The offence of OUR sin

## 6. Justice for Gibeah - vengeance against Benjamin 20:12-48

## 7. The tenacious Grace of God

Israel (and even Benjamin) survives Ch 21

## 8. The cause? 21:25

*“In those days Israel had no king; everyone did as he saw fit”*

OR *“every man did what was right **in his own eyes**”*

*Every man - who is he?*

*a covenant man*

*an Israelite*

*an inheritor of the land - God's grace and mercy  
called to be the LORD's person*

## 9. The judges refrain - the bookends of history

**John 19:15**

*“we have no king but Caesar”*

**Genesis 3:6**

**Revelation 7:17**

When the woman saw that the fruit of the tree was good for food and pleasing to the eye, and also desirable for gaining wisdom, she took some and ate it. She also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate it.”

For the Lamb at the centre of the throne will be their shepherd; he will lead them to springs of living water. And God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.