**A city at night

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**Joshua 9  
 “When God’s Counsel is ignored”   
 Series: Courageous living in a secular world (10)**

INTRODUCTION  
We live in a world that is dishonest and situations are sometimes not as they appear. When making decisions, do you **seek the counsel of the Lord?**  
How do you respond to Paul’s exhortation in 2 Corinthians 5:7   
 “**For we walk by faith and not by sight**”  
  
God had specifically commanded the Israelites not to make alliances with the people of Canaan. After the fall of Jericho and Ai some of the kings of Canaan banded together to attack Israel. However the Gibeonites decided on a different course of action: a shrewd plan to deceive the Israelites into an alliance.  
  
Joshua and his leaders were convinced by what they \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ & \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  
  
V14 “**The men of Israel sampled their provisions but did not ……………………..**

**of the Lord**.”  **They did not ………………the Lord’s ………………………….**  
The men of Israel took time to listen to the Gibeonites, but did not take time

to ………………………………………………………………………………………………………………….

**1. You can be misled by what people \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**2. You can be misled by what you\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**3. You can be misled when you fail to listen to the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**4. There is a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in ignoring God’s counsel**We can make a costly commitment to the ………………………..  
It took 3 days to discover their error, but a lifetime live with it.

**How can you get back to being where God wants you to be?**  
  
  
**APPLICATION**

**When tempted to trust your own instincts ….**  
  
**1. … REMEMBER that Satan is a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

2 Corinthians 11:14

1 Peter 5:8   
Satan’s strategy: -- he challenges our c…………………..  
 -- he criticises our c……………………..

**2. … RECITE \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  
  
3. … REVIEW your \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ that are based on a superficial  
 reading of Scripture:**

* **We can be deceived when we read the Bible \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**
* **We can be deceived when we read the Bible \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  
  without applying sound principles of interpretation.  
  \*** Context \* original meaning and application to today’s world   
  \* history & culture \* grammar & literature.
* **We can be deceived when we allow our \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to give meaning to Scripture rather than assessing our \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in the light of Scripture.**

**4. … RENEW your commitment to Godly \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**  
Get back to walking in godly wisdom – James 1:5

There will be times when you need to:  
 🡪 honour your ……………..  
 🡪 …………………………………..

**VERSE FOR THE WEEK: 1 Peter 5:8**