April 2 Questions

| 1) | The of the judges (Jdg 2–3). Joshua's generation died, and their children "did not |
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| | the LORD." (Jdg 2:10). The problem wasn't, for the next generation |
| | certainly knew about God and His works. The real issue was that they refused to honor and |
| | God (like Eli's sons in 1 Sam 2:12). This led to a cycle of, retribution, |
| | , and restoration that Israel experienced over and over. Each generation |
| | to convince the next to love and serve God, yet this task was at the very center of the |
| | Law (Deut 6:4–9). This teaches us how crucial it is to our families. God has made it |
| | clear that it's job to train our children (not the church's or the government's). They learn |
| | the most from our example, and the is the most effective place to pass on the faith to the |
| | next generation. Knowing the people would disregard His covenant, God some of the |
| | Canaanites to remain in Israel's territory. He did this for several reasons: (1) To Israel |
| | for their apostasy (Jdg 2:3); (2) To their loyalty and love for Him (Jdg 3:4); and (3) To |
| | the next generation to depend on Him to fight their battles (Jdg 3:2). This teaches us that |
| | we can't live off a generation's faith. We must demonstrate our own |
| | loyalty and commitment to God. |