

**SPIRITUAL URBAN LEGENDS**

**LESSON 9**

**EVERY VALLEY MEANS A WRONG TURN**

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**VALLEYS**

Joseph

Running from Saul

Running from Absalom

**GOD'S LEADING ALWAYS TAKES US TO  
MOUNTAIN TOP**

**IF IN VALLEY MUST HAVE TAKEN A WRONG TURN**

**MUST TURN AROUND IMMEDIATELY**

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**SOME VALLEYS ARE RESULT OF WRONG TURN**

**PROVERBS 19:3**

**A man's own folly ruins his life, yet his heart rages  
against the LORD.**

**NOT ALWAYS TRUE**

**JAMES 1:2-4**

**Consider it pure joy, my brothers, whenever you  
face trials of many kinds, because you know that  
the testing of your faith develops perseverance.  
Perseverance must finish its work so that you may  
be mature and complete, not lacking anything.**

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**PAY HIGH PRICE**

**Important lessons not learned  
Godly character is stunted**

**BELIEF THAT HURTS OTHERS**

**Whatever harm cause others get out of valley  
is collateral damage  
Financial or emotional when break promise  
Marriages**

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**WHAT DOES A VALLEY MEAN?**

**THREE IMPORTANT QUESTIONS**

**WHY AM I HERE?**

**Sometimes God sent me here valleys  
Israel into Egypt**

**DID I MESS UP?**

**Israel in Canaan and Judges**

**WHO KNOWS WHY?**

**Job**

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**HOW SHOULD I RESPOND?**

**HANG TOUGH**

**Jonah, Joseph, Daniel  
Make decision by eternity**

**CHANGE DIRECTION**

**When know you've done wrong  
JUDGES 10:6-14**

- Again the Israelites did evil in the eyes of the LORD. They served the Baals and the Ashtoreths, and the gods of Aram, the gods of Sidon, the gods of Moab, the gods of the Ammonites and the gods of the Philistines. And because the Israelites forsook the LORD and no longer served him, he became angry with them. He sold them into the hands of the Philistines and the Ammonites, who that year shattered and crushed them. For eighteen years they oppressed all the Israelites on the east side of the Jordan in Gilead, the land of the Amorites. The Ammonites also crossed the Jordan to fight against Judah, Benjamin and the house of Ephraim; and Israel was in great distress. Then the Israelites cried out to the LORD, "We have sinned against you, forsaking our God and serving the Baals." The LORD replied, "When the Egyptians, the Amorites, the Ammonites, the Philistines, the Sidonians, the Amalekites and the Moabites oppressed you and you cried to me for help, did I not save you from their hands? But you have forsaken me and served other gods, so I will no longer save you. Go and cry out to the gods you have chosen. Let them save you when you are in trouble!"

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**JUDGES 10:15-16**

But the Israelites said to the LORD, "We have sinned. Do with us whatever you think best, but please rescue us now." Then they got rid of the foreign gods among them and served the LORD. And he could bear Israel's misery no longer.

**NOT ALWAYS IMMEDIATE – TAKES TIME**

**SATAN OFFER SHORTCUT**

Temptation of Jesus

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**WHAT CAN I LEARN?**

**LESSONS LEARNED AND CHARACTER  
BUILT**

**JAMES 1**

Perseverance, character, maturity, wisdom

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