#### **REAL HEROES FOR DARK DAYS**

### A STUDY OF JUDGES

## #14: SODOM AND GOMORRAH—THE SEQUEL JUDGES 19-20

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In those days Israel had no king; all the people did whatever seemed right in their own eyes.

Judges 17:6 (NLT)

What sorrow for those who say that evil is good and good is evil, that dark is light and light is dark, that bitter is sweet and sweet is bitter.

Isaiah 5:20 (NLT)

# I. THE CONSEQUENCES OF A NATION THAT REJECTS GOD—ROMANS 1:18-32

1. Becomes foolish (v.18-22)

That nation...

- 2. Believes lies (v.23-25)
- 3. Embraces sexual perversion (v.26-27)
- 4. Grows violent (v.28-31)
- 5. Produces corrupt government (v.32)

### II. DEPRAVITY ON DISPLAY – JUDGES 19 AND 20

1.	A party in Bethlehem (19:1-9)
2.	A hospitable man in Gibeah (v.10-21)
3.	A disgusting scene in Gibeah (v.22-30)
4.	A defense of the indefensible (20:1-48)  Israel prepares for civil war (v.1-11)  "When you having in the towns the LORD your Cod is giving you you need have."
	"When you begin living in the towns the LORD your God is giving you, you may hear that scoundrels among you are leading their fellow citizens astray by saying, 'Let us go worship other gods'—gods you have not known before. In such cases, you must examine the facts carefully. If you find that the report is true and such a detestable act has been committed among you, you must attack that town and completely destroy all its inhabitants, as well as all the livestock.  Deuteronomy 13:12-15 (NLT)
	• Israel asks for the guilty (v.12-17)
	• Israel defeats Benjamin (v.18-48)