

Samuel Judges Israel (Part 1) – 1 Samuel 6:13-7:4

The Ark in Beth-Shemesh (6:13-21)

- Israelites _____ to see the ark ⇒ burnt offerings to the Lord
- God struck _____ men
 1. *Who can stand before this _____ God?*
 2. Ark sent to Kiriath-Jearim – the motive?

The Ark in Kiriath-Jearim (7:1-2)

- *Not* returned to _____ (Ps. 78:60-64)
- Remains for at least _____ years
 1. Coincides with the “ministry” of _____ (Judges 13-16)
 2. All Israel began to lament _____ the _____.

Samuel the Prophet (7:3-4)

- If you return to the Lord...
 1. Put away your _____
 2. Direct your _____ to the Lord; serve Him _____
- ...God will _____ you

Abiding Lessons

- Why God’s severe judgment at Beth-shemesh?
 1. Their disregard for the _____ of God (6:19 → Num. 4)
 2. Their spiritual _____ ⇒ still not ready to _____
- The _____ of God
- The _____ of God
- The _____ of God – to keep His _____
- True repentance:
 1. Putting off sinful ways
 2. Yielding hearts _____ to the Lord