Takehome

Take-Home Assignment: Understanding Judges 9

Objective:
To learn about leadership and making good choices from the story of Abimelech in Judges 9.

Story Summary:
Judges 9 tells the story of Abimelech, who wanted to become a king. He was Gideon's son but did not follow his father’s good example. Instead, he convinced people from Shechem to support him by doing things that weren’t right. His rule caused many problems, teaching us important lessons about the consequences of bad leadership and wrong choices.

Discussion Questions:
1. Who was Abimelech, and what did he want to become?
2. How did Abimelech become a leader? Do you think it was the right way?
3. What happened to the people in Shechem because of Abimelech’s leadership?
4. How can we be good leaders in our lives?

Activities:

1. Family Story Time:
- Read Judges 9 together as a family. Take turns reading a few verses each. Discuss the main events in the chapter and how they relate to making good choices.

2. Role Play:
- Act out different parts of the story. How does it feel to be Abimelech, or the people of Shechem? What choices would you make differently?

3. Reflection Drawing:
- Draw a picture of a good leader. Think about what makes someone a good leader. Add these qualities as words around your picture.

4. Family Decision-Making:
- Share a time when your family had to make a choice together. How did you decide? What was the result? Discuss how making choices together as a team is important.

5. Kindness Challenge:
- Think of one way you can be a leader in kindness, whether at home or at school. Write it down and try to do it this week. Share what you did in class next time.

Final Reflection:
Write a few sentences about what you've learned from Judges 9. How can this story help you make better choices in your own life?

Remember, we learn from the Bible to become better people and make good choices. Have fun with your family activities and see you in the next class!