

## Beware of Counterfeits

### **Joshua and Israel fail to seek God's help**

Why do we need to seek God's help?

- I. People will \_\_\_\_\_ to get what they want (Josh. 9:3-6)
- II. People will \_\_\_\_\_ to get what they want (Josh. 9:7-13)  
(Gibeon lies to convince Israel they are from a distant land)
  - A. We heard about the works of the God of the Israelites, and we traveled a great distance make \_\_\_\_\_ (Josh. 9:8-11)
  - B. Our \_\_\_\_\_ is moldy from the long journey (Josh. 9:12)
  - C. Our \_\_\_\_\_, which were new when we left, are now cracked (Josh. 9:13a)
  - D. Our \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ are worn out from the long trip (Josh. 9:13b)
- III. We are not \_\_\_\_\_ to make sound decisions (Josh. 9:14-15)
  - A. Joshua and the leaders of Israel ratify a peace treaty with Gibeon
  - B. Joshua and the Israelites made two mistakes in ratifying the treaty
    1. In sampling Gibeon's provisions they accepted as evidence things that were highly \_\_\_\_\_
    2. Joshua and the leaders did not seek \_\_\_\_\_ from \_\_\_\_\_

### **The consequences of not reaching out to God**

- I. Israel discovers that they have been tricked (Josh. 9:16-17)
- II. Israel must \_\_\_\_\_ the treaty or face God's \_\_\_\_\_ (Josh. 9:18-19)

### **Gibeon's punishment (Josh. 9:20-27)**

- I. Gibeon would be \_\_\_\_\_ to Israel (Josh. 9:20-21, 23)
- II. Gibeon lost its \_\_\_\_\_ (Josh. 9:26-27)

### **Questions to Ponder**

- I. Do we seek God's \_\_\_\_\_ in all circumstances?

II. Do you understand how to \_\_\_\_\_ a counterfeit Gospel, church, or believer?

III. Is your faith in God \_\_\_\_\_?

How are you saved?

- A. You \_\_\_\_\_ in Jesus (John 3:16-18; Rom. 10:9-10)
- B. You \_\_\_\_\_ of your sins (Acts 2:38; Rom 3:10-12, 23, 6:23)  
**(This makes you a child of God)**
- C. You \_\_\_\_\_ God and His Word (John 14:15; 21; 23)
- D. You will be \_\_\_\_\_ (Rom. 12:2; 2 Cor. 5:17)  
**(This proves that you believe and are saved)**