The Consequence of Compromise Charles Stanley

I. Introduction.
A. Text: Judges 2:1-5, 21:25.
B. The people did what was right in their own eyes during the time of judges.
C. The Israelites failed to remove all the idols from their land against God's will.
II. God seeks a clean life. (Ephesians 4, Colossians 3:5)
A. Allowing certain things in our lives gives Satan a foothold. (I Thessalonians 4)
B. Compromise is rebellion against God.
C. The Israelites lost the ability to drive out the idols because they refused to drive them out. They even became slaves to them.
D. What we allow to remain in our life ultimately ensnares us.
E. The consequence of obedience is God's best. The consequence of disobedience is all a person can do without God's blessing.
Application questions:
1. How does the story of the Israelites in Judges illustrate how idols can enslave us?
2. By what are some modern day idols that people are enslaved?
3. What areas of your life does this message challenge you to take a closer look? What is something practical and measurable that you can do to grow in your freedom against idols?