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**AN OUTLINE FOR TODAY'S SERMON**

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**DUMB VOWS**

**Judges 11:29-40**

**I. Doctrine: *Dumb Vows* can get Religious People Into a Lot**

**of \_\_\_\_\_**

A. –They are often \_\_\_\_\_ During a *Crisis* . . . ,  
(Judg. 11:30-31)

B. . . . And, *if they get fulfilled at all*, it is usually in  
\_\_\_\_\_, (Judg. 11:35)

**II. The Curious \_\_\_\_\_ of *Dumb Vows*, vv. 29-40**

A. –They Tend to be \_\_\_\_\_, and *Superfluous*, vv. 29-33

B. –They Can \_\_\_\_\_ Other People, vv. 34-37

C. –They Can Cut-Off \_\_\_\_\_ Grace, vv. 38-40

**III. How True Believers are to \_\_\_\_\_ Making *Dumb Vows***

A. –By Committing to \_\_\_\_\_ What *God Requires* . . . ,  
(Matt. 5:37)

B. . . . We Find our Perfect \_\_\_\_\_ in *Jesus*  
Alone, (Col. 3:3-4)

**Key Verses**—vv. 30-31: “*And Jephthah made a vow to the LORD, and said, ‘If You will indeed deliver the people of Ammon into my hands, then it will be that whatever comes out of the doors of my house to meet me, when I return in peace from the people of Ammon, shall surely be the LORD’S, and I will offer it up as a burnt offering.’ ”*

**NOTES & APPLICATIONS:**

Aim: To Make and Keep *God-Honoring Vows*, *not foolish ones*