

Gideon

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Session 1

VIEWER GUIDE

Gideon is among a nation of people who have stopped moving forward.

The best way to study a biblical character or book is to observe the entire context in which it is set.

“Then the sons of Israel did what was evil in the sight of the LORD; and the LORD gave them into the hands of Midian seven years.”
Judges 6:1

NIV includes the word again

“In those days there was no king in Israel; everyone did what was right in his own eyes.” **Judges 21:25**

God raises up a group of people called judges.

Judges' role: they were called by God and empowered by God to unite the people of God to stand against the enemies of God.

How and why did God's people who have the favor of God and are in a covenant relationship with God get to a position of such devastation and oppression?

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HEADS, HEARTS, AND HANDS

1. They did not know the Lord: there was a problem with the information that was in their heads.

a. Their parents didn't do the teaching.

b. The young people didn't want to listen.

2. There was a problem also with their hearts: their hearts hadn't been stirred for passion with Him.

3. As a result: their hands aren't doing the right thing.

Session 2

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DISTINGUISHING CHARACTERISTICS OF THE MIDIANITES:

You know you are dealing with the Midianites when the trouble is coming from the most unexpected place.

You know you are dealing with the Midianites because just when you get your head above water, that problem resurfaces again.

WHAT SHOULD YOU EXPECT WHEN YOU'RE EXPECTING?

1. The crisis is not powerful enough to place you out of the reach of God.

Isaiah 59:1

2. The crisis does position you for your calling.

Judges 6:12-13

God is more interested in changing your heart than He is your circumstances.

Luke 19:17

Hebrews 11:32-34

WHAT TO EXPECT WHEN YOU'RE EXPECTING

Judges 6:12

No matter how you feel, what the Scripture says about you is true.

1 Peter 2:9

3. Your crisis does not dictate your capability.

Judges 6:11-12, 14

The angel of the LORD came (v. 11), appeared (v. 12), looked (v. 14).

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They have given Gideon a new name: Jerubbaal means the Baal fighter .

You are not the same person you used to be.

Philippians 1:6

Challenge: keep a record of the work God has been doing.

Judges 7:1

Harod means to tremble , fear .

Environment matters.

Posture is everything.

How you start at the beginning has every bearing on how it's going to finish in the end .

Where you choose to stand determines the vantage point from which you take in the enemy's attacks on your life.

Judges 7:2

You have too many for Me to give Midian into your hand.

A BRAND-NEW IDENTITY

1. You are not the same person you used to be.
2. You have no business going where you used to go.
3. You don't need everything you thought you would need.

2 Corinthians 12:9

NOTE: *Saul and his army camped at Mt. Gilboa (1 Sam. 28:4) by “the spring which is in Jezreel” (1 Sam. 29:1). According to *The Anchor Bible Dictionary*, this spring would have been the same as the one Gideon and his men used.

(From Logos Bible Software ed. 5, Bellingham, WA. “Elika” from *The Anchor Yale Bible Dictionary*.)

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Our God is patient. He's long - suffering.

Ephesians 3:20

"It is His patience that held our sinful hands and led us to the doorstep of His mercy that we might enter in."

Exodus 34:6/Nahum 1:3

1 Timothy 1:16

1 Timothy 1:15

1. He Saved Me

1 Peter 3:20

Genesis 18:26-33

Jonah 3:4

Titus 2:11-12

2 Peter 3:9

Genesis 4:26

Judges 17:6

1 Timothy 1:13-14

THE FLIP SIDE OF GOD'S POWER

2. He Changes Me

2 Thessalonians 2:13

1 Timothy 1:12

1. He Saved Me (Justification)

2. He Changes Me (Sanctification)

3. He Positioned Me (Location)

“God does not choose a person because He is worthy but by His choosing of him He makes him worthy.” Augustine

4. He Strengthened Me (Fortification)

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Romans 10:17

Judges 7:15

1. Begin the Battle on Your Knees.

Joshua 6:20

Judges 7:15

2. Face the Battle from a Stance of Victory.

Judges 7:16

Ephesians 2:10

3. Advance into the Battle from Your Assigned Place.

Judges 7:16

Judges 7:21

1 Corinthians 12

Judges 7:19

HOW TO WIN A BATTLE

4. Approach the Battle at just the Right Time.

Judges 7:20

5. You Win the Battle by Using the Right Weapons.

Judges 7:21-22

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Deuteronomy 17:14-15

Joshua 24:15

1. Who or what has authority in my life?

Judges 8:22

2. Who have I been giving the credit?

Psalms 75:6

Deuteronomy 6:10-12

Judges 8:23

1 Corinthians 2:1-5

3. Do you deflect glory back to God?

Judges 8:24-25

Deuteronomy 20:13-14

1 Chronicles 26:27

WHO IS YOUR KING?

4. Are we keeping anything that belongs to God?

Judges 8:27: "It became a snare to Gideon and his household."