

Bible 101

Lesson 38 - Gideon

Judges 6-7

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1. Why did the Israelites find themselves oppressed by the Midianites, and what tactics did the Midianites use against them?
2. What was Gideon doing when the angel of the Lord appeared to him, and how did Gideon initially react to the angel's greeting?
3. What sign did Gideon ask for to confirm that God was speaking to him, and how did God provide this sign?
4. What task did God give Gideon on the night following their initial encounter, and how did Gideon carry it out?
5. How did the people of the town react when they discovered that Gideon had torn down the altar of Baal and the Asherah pole?
6. What was Gideon's father's response to the townspeople's demand to kill Gideon, and what new name did he give to his son?
7. What further signs did Gideon request from God to reassure him of victory over the Midianites, and how did God respond to these requests?
8. How can Gideon's story in Judges 6, particularly his initial doubts and eventual acceptance of God's mission, inspire you to overcome personal insecurities

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and trust in a higher purpose when faced with challenging tasks or leadership roles in your own life?

Judges 7

1. Why did God instruct Gideon to reduce the number of his soldiers, and how did Gideon determine which soldiers would stay?
2. How did God reassure Gideon the night before the battle against the Midianites?
3. Describe Gideon's strategy to defeat the Midianite army with his reduced force.
4. What specific items did Gideon's men carry into battle, and how did they use them to create confusion among the Midianites?
5. What was the battle's outcome, and how did the Midianite army respond to Gideon's surprise attack?
6. Who were Oreb and Zeeb, and what happened to them during the conflict with the Midianites?
7. How did the actions of the Israelites from the tribes of Naphtali, Asher, and Manasseh contribute to the victory over the Midianites?